

Beaver Island Historical Society

Minutes

October 19, 2017

Peaine Township Conference Room

7:00 PM

a. Call to order/quorum

Present were trustees Patrick Cull, John Fiegen, Alvin LaFreniere, Dick McEvoy, Mark Engelsman, Bobbi Welke, Maeve Green. Lynne Flanagan, John Runberg, and Mike Weede were absent. Also present was director Lori Taylor-Blitz and Sue Oole.

A quorum was established

b. Minutes from September 21, 2017 meeting were approved.

c. Reports of Officers

- i. A contact for Lori's employment has been drafted. The drafted contact includes an increase from ½ time to ¾ time for next year. A motion was made by Sheri Timsak to approve. John Fiegen seconded the motion. Motion approved.

d. Finance Committee

- i. Discussion was held regarding compensation for Krys Lyle's additional work hours. A motion was made by Alvin to approve the suggested compensation. Dick McEvoy seconded. Motion approved
- ii. Bobbi reported on cash flow. Money was moved from capital campaign fund to Comerica account, for investment purposes. Money cannot be removed from Charlevoix County Community Foundation because it is an endowment.
- ii. 2017/2018 budget includes a seasonal assistant, and the increase in the Director's wages due to increase in the Director's hours. Maeve will be making deposits this winter while Bobbi and Lori are off the island. John Feigen made a motion to approve budget for 2017/2018. Sheri Timsak seconded. Motion approved.

e. Development Committee

- i. The newsletter is ready to be mailed. It focuses on membership, with hopes to increase membership. The newsletter will be mailed in early November.
- ii. The membership list has been completed and updated by Lori. A letter will be mailed to members and put in each post office box in later November (to separate from the Newsletter).

- iii. A notice of board member vacancy was posted on October 4th. Prospective members will be considered at the November meeting. Honorary board membership criterion was discussed. Possible characteristics: past contributions to the Society. Honorary board members will be nonvoting, and welcome at all meetings. John will write up possible policy, and present at November meeting.

- f. Museum Operations
 - i. A potential genealogy fee schedule was presented. The schedule will be rewritten to include a 20% discount for members. A motion was made by John Feigen, that with addition of the 20% discount for members, the genealogy fee schedule be accepted. Patrick Cull seconded. Motion approved.

- g. Maintenance Committee
 - i. Walking tour signs were discussed. John, Bobbi, and Alvin will work on the tour/signage.

- h. Marketing Committee
 - i. Lenore Jacobson would like to create a way-finding sign, featuring local artists, to be posted on the corner lot by Daddy Franks. The Board is in support of idea; however, safety is a concern, and road commission/ township will need to be approached.

Respectfully submitted,
Maeve Green, Secretary of the Board