

BEAVER ISLAND HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S  
REGULAR MEETING Peaine Township  
Hall: Conference Room February 21,  
2019 at 7:00 PM

- I. Come to Order, Roll-Call, Quorum – Mark Engelsman
  - a. Roll-call: Angel Welke, Sheri Timsak, Tracy Paquin, Maeve Green, Alvin LaFreniere,
  - b. On the phone – Lori Taylor-Blitz, Mark Engelsman, Bobbi Welke, Lynne Flannagan, John Fiegan, Dickie McEvoy, Vince Ebersoldt.
  - c. Meeting called to order at 7:01
  
- II. Board Meeting Minutes Approval – Maeve Green
  - a. November 15, 2018 minutes
    - a. Angel made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Tracy seconded. The motion was approved.
  - b. January 17, 2019 minutes
    - a. Lynne made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Tracy seconded. The motion was approved.
  
- III. Reports of Officers – Mark Engelsman
  
- IV. Finance Committee – Bobbi Welke
  - a. Cash Flow January 31, 2019
    - a. Bobbi shared an update to the budget. A grant from Great Lakes Energy was mistakenly placed under grants and walking trail fund. The grant amount was placed under the walking trail fund. This changes the total revenues. The net outcome will be adjusted. Angel made a motion to adjust the budget to correct the total revenue. Sheri seconded. The motion was approved.
  - b. The capital campaign fund with the CCCF holds \$193.90. Bobbi made a motion that we close out this account. Angel seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
  - c. Bobbi made a motion that we approved Lori purchasing 150 Wojan Cashman maps (\$400). Angel seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
  
- V. Development Committee – John Fiegan
  - a. We have reached 74% of the membership goal. John will be sending out one final mailing within the month.
  - b. John has received priorities from 11 board members. At the board workshop we will spend some time focusing on the top priorities. The workshop will take place on Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. John will provide the list of compiled priorities at our March meeting.

## VI. Museum Operations Committee – Lynne Flanagan

- a. Tracy gave an update on the oral history presentations. Ed Wojan has working on gathering information, from the public, starting with the 1950s. There will be 2 meetings in March and 2 in April. The 50s, 60s, and 70s, will be reviewed at the March and April meetings. Ed would like to eventually compile this information into a book.
- b. There are close to 200 existing recorded oral histories. Tracy and Lynne have been listening to the interviews and picking out key words. Many of the interviews have already been transcribed.
- c. Lori and Bobbi have found adequate information to curate an exhibit on surveying the archipelago, and a WPA exhibit. Lori spent some time at the tribal offices in Harbor Springs and is collaborating on the creation of some panels for the museum.
- d. Tracy will be off the island next month. Maeve will pick up the mail and make the bank deposit.

## VII. Maintenance Committee – Mike Weede

- a. Bobbi gave an update on the building committee. The windows for the museum were delivered today.
- b. Last week the building committee met regarding the building schedule. The committee is recommending that the construction begin in August. In May the archaeologists will be working on the museum property. A well will be drilled in June. A complete set of prints should be ready by July. Subcontractors will be contacted prior to building, to ensure availability.

## VIII. Marketing Committee

- a. Mark and Lori have been working on summer programming.
  - a. Picnics on the point will run from June-November
  - b. Lighthouse tours will run June- September, Wednesday and Saturdays
  - c. Music on the Porch – there will be multiple locations throughout the summer.
  - d. Strang Series – There will be various speakers focusing on Strang.
  - e. A schooner from Drummond Island may be visiting in June.
  - f. Antique appraisal show
  - g. Docent appreciation – August 17
  - h. Black history travelling exhibit – September
  - i. Museum Week
  - j. Dark Sky Event – Friday, September 20
- b. Bobbi has turned over all of the signs for the walking tour to the sign company. The company is having trouble with the quality of the photos. Bobbi will work on getting higher quality photos to the sign company.

## IX. Director's Report

- a. Accountants are reviewing the transfer trust funds, so we have not received our 990 tax form.
- b. We at \$14,300 in memberships. Currently, we have 4 corporate memberships. John is willing to make some calls. Corporate members are listed on the website, with a link to their website, and printed in brochures. They are also invited to private events and can request corporate museum showing. Lori will share a list of business to be contacted.
- c. Digitization of the Beaver Beacon 1955-57, and 1967 have been uploaded on BIHS website. Lori has been uploading photos on Facebook.
- d. Karl Bartels will build a bench for the new print shop porch, in honor of Joyce Bartels.
- e. We have received funds from Betsy Borre to sponsor a new museum week event. It will be a contest. Anyone can send three images. The best images will be framed and displayed.
- f. Freemont middle school will be visiting the island. They will paint the art show panels while they are on the island. They will also help clean up around Protar's house and grave.
- g. The Eco-Fair will be hosted at Heritage Park.
- h. Lori has been collecting names of exhibit designers. She will meet with Vince next week to share ideas about inside design of the museum.

X. Good for the Society

- a. The sale of the Beaver Head Lighthouse is still moving forward.

XI. Tracy made a motion that we adjourn. Angel seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:56.