

BHS Preservation Board of Directors' Meeting

December 6, 2016

The BHS Preservation Board of Directors' monthly meeting was held on December 6, 2016, at Pirate Hall with Ruth Dorkin presiding. Board members present included Celestia Carson, Ruth Dorkin, June Lee, Becky Tuten, Gerald Morris, Dale Benson, Carol Persche, Ricky Carawan, Gary Hollis, and William Waters. Ruth welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Celestia and Barbara Morris for helping her with the tree decorating; she also thanked Becky Tuten, June Wallace and Claudia Alligood for working on the float. It was also mentioned that James Russell Boyd furnished the transportation for the Gator.

The agenda was approved (motion, Claudia; second, Celestia).

The minutes were approved (motion, Becky; second, June).

The treasurer's report showed a bank balance of \$65,501.85 and was approved (motion Gerald; second, Celestia).

June Lee gave a brief report on the Amazon Smile account. Cori Fritz had set up this account for our non-profit organization. If someone makes a purchase through Amazon Smile, that person can request that the donation from Amazon Smile be made to our organization. Several questions were generated: Will it cost us anything? Will it cost the shopper more than his/her purchase price? A motion was made that we allow June to register BHSP with Amazon Smile in order for us to receive the rewarded percentage of sales. Ricky asked that we add "if an expense is incurred from the Amazon Smile experience, we cancel. The motion carried (motion, Gerald; second, Becky).

Committee Reports

Membership – Ruth explained to the group that a new membership brochure had been created for the purpose of clarifying which money can qualify as a tax deduction. The brochure should also explain the various brackets for donating money above the cost of membership. Sandra Harrison has done some work on the brochure, and June Lee added other corrections. June went over the brochure and explained the reasons for the changes. Claudia moved to adopt the new membership brochure; Gary seconded. The motion passed.

Carol Persche suggested having the membership flyers available at the oyster roast. Becky moved that we order 2,000 brochures; Gerald seconded. The motion passed.

Fundraising – Claudia reminded everyone to sell, sell, sell Gator tickets, especially so that we could reimburse the money to the treasury for the purchase price paid for the Gator.

Building – Ricky said that the library is happy with bottles of hand soap in the bathrooms and do not want soap dispensers.

He also mentioned that we still need to divide the expenses with the Foundation for the work done by Mike Jarvis.

Leonard Woolard has been contacted to repair the brickwork under the windows in the auditorium. Ricky has used \$340 of the reserve money he oversees for lights, fans, etc., under Pirate Hall.

Grants – Carol reported that we are waiting to hear from two grants.

Pirate Hall – Jill Jones and Linda Poore have been appointed to a committee for Pirate Hall. They want to set up a gallery. They said we would receive a portion of the sale price of the artwork. The Hall could still be available for rent.

A security system will be needed.

Linda Poore is donating the use of oriental rug, antique furniture and artwork for the dedication. Several questions arose about the use of this space. Ruth asked that everyone e-mail questions to her that needed to be forwarded to this committee.

Dedication of Pirate Hall and Memorial Walkway – Ruth has found ideas for the plaque for the dedication. We needed to decided on the type of plaque. It was suggested that the plaque should be 18 x 24 in keeping with the other donor plaques for the windows. Claudia suggested that Ruth make a sketch and talk to Holly Alligood, owner of Nameplates.

An invitation needs to be e-mailed to Geri Lancaster so that she can invite the people on her end who need to attend the event.

Unfinished Business

The library is in the process of have fiber run to the library in place of DSL for Wi-Fi availability. Conversation has been underway with Ray at CenturyLink. The library needed the approval of our board before continuing with this project. WiFi will be available to us and to the Foundation if we decide to connect at a later date. Becky moved that we allow the library to have the Fiber-optic cable installed; Claudia seconded. The motion passed.

Bath Elementary School kids will have artwork posted in Pirate Hall in conjunction with Open House at Historic Bath Site.

Becky, June, Ruth and Claudia agreed to take shifts to man the Hall so that people could look around, see the children’s artwork, and perhaps purchase a raffle ticket on the Gator. James Russell will make the Gator available for the day.

Becky moved to adjourn; Celestia seconded.

The next meeting will be held on January 3, 2017, at Pirate Hall. We will meet at 6:00 in order to review Pirate Hall uses and the dedication.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Alligood, Secretary

Minutes approved _____

_____ Ruth W. Dorkin, President
_____ Claudia W. Alligood, Secretary