

Bath High School Preservation

Board of Directors Meeting – April 6, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Bath High School Preservation was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010, at 7:00 P.M. at the Bath Christian Church, the President of BHSP presiding.

Directors Present: Claudia Alligood, James Russell Boyd, Marti Buchanan, Jim Cox, Surry Everett, Thom Haigwood, Sandra Harrison, Nelda Ormond

Also Present: Peggy Daw

- I. **Call to Order** – Peggy Daw called the meeting to order
- II. **Secretary Report** – Minutes of the March Board Meeting were approved with the following corrections: Nelda's last name being Ormond, and the organization mentioned at the March meeting was Foundation, not Commission.
- III. **Treasurer's Report** – Because of Mike Godley's absence due to severe back pains, There was no formal treasurer's report. Mike had sent word that the balance had risen a tiny bit since the March meeting.

IV. **Committee Reports**

Fundraising Committee – Claudia briefly reported plans for the upcoming bingo night. She also asked the group for a recommendation about adding the flagpole and flags to the ornament rendering before the prototype is completed. The group felt that the flagpole is an important part of the school's history and should be included.

The Fundraising Committee held a meeting of alumni to seek help in completion of fundraising projects. Approximately 20 people attended and signed up to help with future fundraisers.

Publicity Committee – Marti reported her efforts to gather information for the newsletter. She also addressed the issue of contacting newspapers. She reported that the newsletter would be complete and ready for mailing early in May.

Membership Committee – Nelda reported that she had shopped for new membership forms and envelopes to make the joining process easier and more attractive for prospective members. She asked the group of permission to purchase the forms and envelopes. The motion passed.

Building Committee – Sandra reported the members of the building committee to be herself, Horace Waters, Jim Cox, Susan Modlin, Wallace Selby, LeRae Umphleet, and Thom Haigwood. A meeting has been planned for the building committee to walk around the building and assess the prioritized needs for the initial phase of stabilization and drying-in the school.

Building Purchase – James Russell reported that he had met with Susan Modlin, Bryant Hardison and Jimmy Latham to sketch out the septic field in order to satisfy a request from the Bath Town Council before finalizing the sale of the Bath High School property. He reported that the county had copies of the drain fields.

V. General Business

- a. BHSP was approved for a \$2500 grant from the Historic Bath Foundation. David Hoggard is waiting for a decision from the building committee as to his part in the use of the grant with regard to the windows.
- b. Deadline for nominations for officers and board members to serve BHSP in the next fiscal year are due no later than April 16. A message from Betsy Gray advised that anyone wishing to change places (board to officer or officer to board) needed to notify Betsy.
- c. Lowe’s Grant – Information about a Lowe’s Grant that could potentially help with immediate stabilization needs of the Bath High School building was forwarded by John Wood. The amount of the grant can be up to \$50,000. Several ideas were mentioned as to the completion process. Sandra will talk with Dawn Grant, and the grant committee will proceed from there, with informational help from others.
- d. An update was given as to the ongoing concept of enlarging the current visitors’ center on the Bath Historic Site. The Historic Bath Foundation is considering the expenditure of a sizeable amount of money, perhaps to the planning stage for the visitors’ center enlargement.
- e. Marti announced that she is a part of the nominating committee for the Historic Bath Foundation and encouraged all Preservation members to become members of the Foundation. She also encouraged members to attend the June meeting of the Foundation as a vote would be taken regarding the donation of money for either the visitors’ center or Bath High School.
- f. Regarding the lawn maintenance contract with Garden Classics, it was decided that we should leave the contract as is until the completion of the closing of the school property.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

The next meeting date: May 4, 2010.

Minutes submitted by Claudia Alligood, acting secretary

Date Approved: 5/4/10

Peggy Daw, President

Attest:

Sue Conway, Secretary