

Bath High School Preservation Board of Directors' Meeting – January 4, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Bath High School Preservation was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2011, at 7:00 P.M., at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall, the President of BHSP presiding and the secretary present.

Directors Present – Connie Bond, Betsy Boxer, Marti Buchanan, Jim Cox, Surry Everett, Thom Haigwood, Sandra Harrison, Carol Persche

Also Present: Jimmy Edwards, Claudia Alligood, Mike Godley, Sue Conway, Elaine Harrison, June Wallace, Nelda Ormond

- I. **Call to Order** – Jimmy Edwards called the meeting to order and welcomed guests and had everyone introduce him/herself.

- II. **Secretary's Report** – Minutes of the November 2, 2010, meeting were approved.

- III. **Treasurer's Report** – Mike Godley reported that for the month of December BHSP had receipts of \$7,723.00 with disbursements of \$17.02, holds assets totaling \$209,786.39 of which \$114,273.10 is cash on deposit in banks, and has liabilities of \$80,000.
Mike went over financial statements reflecting activity since the last meeting and for the year 2010 including an itemized list of receipts since the beginning of October that address the challenge from the Covington Foundation to show a \$20,000 growth in our bank account in order to receive the \$20,000 grant from Covington. It was noted noations have been made toward the challenge match by Gene and Susan Roberts, \$5,000; Ed and Vickie Clement, \$5,000; Jack and June Wallace, \$1,000; Jimmy and Melba Edwards, \$1,000; and Betsy Boxer, \$500.

- IV. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Fundraising** -Claudia Alligood reported receipts of \$650 from the G. D. Elliott memorials to BHSP and an additional \$500 in ornament sales. She mentioned a possible hitch in the oyster roast plans, pending decision by Marine Fisheries with regard to oystering. Members will be notified as soon as information is available. Claudia also mentioned that Connie Bond is hosting an event at her home in order to make Greenville residents who have summer or vacation homes in the Bath area aware of BHSP's plans and to give them an opportunity to support the effort.
 - B. **Publicity** – Marti Buchanan revisited the calendar and offered copies to members.
 - C. **Membership** – Nelda Ormond had earlier given a reporting of the year's membership drive, a very successful one. She also mentioned that there remains a question as to whether membership credit should be given for other

donations. Jimmy appointed Nelda Ormond, June Wallace, Betsy Boxer and Claudia Alligood to serve on a committee to consider this issue.

- D. **Grant Committee** – In the absence of Chairman Gene Roberts, Jimmy Edwards reported that Gene’s suggestion is to refrain from mentioning grants that we do not receive. Efforts are ongoing to meet the challenge of the Covington Grant.
- E. **Building Committee** - Sandra Harrison reported Braddy and Sons have finished the windows they were working on – paint, caulk, glaze at a cost of \$1920. We had approved \$2100 and the entire project might come in at \$2200. Windows were picked by on the 23rd (12 windows upstairs, 2.5 windows downstairs, and 4 extra windows from upstairs). The total for finishing the windows on the Visitors’ Center side of the building is in excess of \$11,000, of which we had already approved \$5750, and we have \$2500 from the Foundation Grant. Additional money will be needed to complete this part of the window project.

Ken Friedlein has expressed concerns about the safety of the building and there has been a question as to the security of items in the building.

Sandra revisited the issue of the \$10,000 leeway amount that the Board approved at the November meeting, and informed the group that an inspection had been needed and conducted by Friedlein, Frisbett, and Rick Miller for a cost of \$3900. Sandra moved that the Board approve the \$3900 cost of the inspection coordinated by Ken Fredlein from the \$10,000 approved for expenditures related to the roof at the Nov. 2, 2010, meeting and further moved that the remainder of the funds return un-encumbered to the Treasury. Thom Haigwood seconded. The motion passed.

On December 30 the Building Committee met to finalize discussions as to the best plan for the roof. The committee reviewed reports from architects, engineers and others and talked about estimates from various contractors. A statement was read by Sandra clarifying the Building Committee’s and BHSP’s position as to conflict of interest. The Building Committee had two major decisions to consider: (1) replace or repair the current roof and (2) materials for need roof – metal or shingles. Sandra presented factors used in making a decision such as historic accuracy and. The Building Committee arrived at a majority decision which Sandra presented to the Board in the form of a motion. The motion is as follows: “The Building Committee recommends that the Board approve repair and replacement of the existing roofs on all BHSP buildings with a new shingle roof or appropriate flat roof material as approved by the Bath Historic Commission and John Wood. Surry Everett seconded the motion. Jim Cox read a statement in opposition to the recommendation. The Board voted 6 to 1 to adopt the recommendation of the Building Committee.

Marti Buchanan had brought up the issue of a water meter for the school. Jimmy turned the matter over to the Building Committee and asked Sandra Harrison to take care of the matter.

Sandra Harrison presented the dates for the planning meetings – February 19, March 19, and April 16. Meetings will be held in the mornings and will conclude about 12:00 noon.

The meeting adjourned.

Next meeting date: February 1, 2011

Minutes submitted by Secretary Claudia W. Alligood

Date approved: _____

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