Bath High School Preservation

Board of Directors Meeting – April 17, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bath High School Preservation was held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall, the President presiding.

Directors Present: Claudia Alligood, John Baldwin, Connie Bond, Betsy Boxer, Jimmy Edwards, Surry Everett, Sandra Harrison, Nelda Ormond, Karen Waters **Also Present**: Star Credle, Marti Buchanan, Elaine Harrison, Josie Hookway

- I. **Call to Order** Jimmy Edwards called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and reviewed the agenda.
- II. Secretary's Report The minutes of the March 6, 2012, meeting were accepted.
- III. Treasurer's Report Nelda Ormond and Sandra Harrison had worked together to enter all treasury business into the financial computer program so that the records would be up to date. Nelda's report showed the fund balances as of the end of March.. Through the end of March, BHSP has shown an income balance of \$131,000.18, with total expenses of \$57,003.23, leaving a balance of \$73,996.95. BHSP has a liability of \$60,000.

Surry Everett reported on the work of the committee charged with finding a treasurer/accountant to hand the financial business of BHSP. He said that interviews are pending with Smith, Swanner and White. He also reported on notes from Mike Godley regarding computer programs that had been previously purchased by BHSP.

IV. Committees

- A. **Membership** Nelda Ormond reported a total membership for the year numbering 420, an impressive number. She announced that she has cut off receipt of memberships for the current year and is preparing mailings for the new year's membership campaign.
- B. Fundraising Claudia Alligood gave a update of the most immediate project, which is Bath Fest, at which BHSP will be sponsoring a bake sale as well as a yard. Everyone was encouraged to participate.

Another \$381 was turned in from the recycling project, and members were encouraged to share their metal.

The motion from the Fundraising Committee concerning the setting aside of a portion of fundraising monies for the retirement of the debt to the town was tabled.

C. **Building** – Sandra Harrison announced that she had attempted to send the stationery via e-mail and would send it again. She also showed the brochure that she has put together for distribution.

All but four windows have been completed on King Street as well as the doors on the Hwy 92 side of the building.

The gentleman with the magic eraser for bricks has run into a slight problem with the paint on the Harding Street side of the South Wing.

John Baldwin has agreed to level the courtyard.

The shingles that were used on the Hwy 92 wings of BHS have been discontinued, and Sandra and John Wood are looking for the closest possible match to be used on the South Wing.

Sandra reported that an architect and an engineer would probably be needed for the library renovations. The cost for these positions could be quite high. Ken Freidline has done some preliminary work. We need to pay him for his work to this point as a means of matching the grant we received. We will do additional looking and investigating the possibilities of architects and engineers. Sandra reviewed the bid received from Garden Classics for the mowing and other landscaping for the summer season. Sandra moved to accept the contract; John Baldwin seconded; and the motion carried.

John Baldwin will remove the extra sand from the courtyard area.

- D. **Grants** Betsy Boxer reported that the committee is down to the final day in completing the Golden Leaf Foundation Grant Application. Jimmy announced that three people affiliated with BHSP were selected to serve on the GLF team to evaluate all applications submitted from Beaufort County.
- E. Election The floor was opened for nomination to fill Barry Boyd's vacated seat on the Board. Claudia Alligood had been nominated at the March meeting. There being no nominations, following Surry's motion to close nominations and Betsy's second; Claudia was elected and will complete the final two years and two months of Barry's term.
- F. **Nominating** Connie Bond explained that the BHSP by-laws provide for general guidelines overseeing nominations and elections of Directors and Officers, but the Nominating Committee felt that specifics were needed. Connie presented the following suggestions:
 - 1. Only those people who have paid membership for the coming year are legal to vote.
 - 2. In order to insure that only legal electors participate in the voting process, secret ballots will be distributed at the check in table as membership is verified.
 - 3. All people who are nominated prior to the meeting and those who are nominated from the floor must present a short bio for the benefit of the voters. This will help to assist with the vetting process.
 - 4. Nominations will be received from the floor.

- 5. Voting possibilities were presented as follows:
 - (a) Block Voting Voters will consider all candidates at once and vote for The three people each voter wishes to elect.
 - (b) Head to Head Voting Nominees will run for a specific seat, nominations from the floor will be made for specific seats, voters will vote for one person for each of the three seats.
 - (c) Surry Everett moved the we adopt block voting as our guideline; Betsy Boxer seconded; the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting date: May 1, 2012

Minutes submitted by secretary Claudia Alligood

Date approved _____

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