

Bath High School Preservation

Board of Directors' Meeting – November 1, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Bath High School Preservation was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall, the president presiding; the secretary, present.

Directors and Officers Present: Claudia Alligood, Connie Bond, Barry Boyd, Betsy Boxer, Jimmy Edwards, Sandra Harrison, Carol Persche

Also Present: Star Credle, Mike Godley, Nelda Ormond, Elaine Harris, Marti Buchanan

- I. **Call to Order:** Jimmy Edwards called the meeting to order, welcomed guests, and added two items to the agenda.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the October 4, 2011, meeting were accepted.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Barry Boyd presented the following report: For the month of October, BHSP had receipts of \$11,175.00 with disbursements of \$2,854.37, holds assets totaling \$275,628.51, of which \$101,603.59 is cash on deposit in banks, and has liabilities of \$80,000.

Concerning the issue of property taxes in the amount of \$2,200, which are due in January, Barry was planning to check with Mike Godley for information he has as to possible waiver of these taxes.

Barry also asked about budget ideas and reported that the budget would be approved at the January meeting.

IV. **Business Items**

- A. **2012 Calendar** – a proposed calendar was discussed. A final copy of the calendar is to be e-mailed to all board members. Connie Bond so moved; Barry Boyd, seconded; the motion carried.
- B. **Agreement between BHSP and Bath Library** – Sandra Harrison and Gene Roberts have attended meetings with representatives of the Library Board. Jimmy Edwards, Sandra and Gene went to the Regional Board. Mike Godley went over the information received with regard to terms of the agreement, since he was unavailable to attend the meetings. Connie Bond questioned having the Library pay for the plans for the library space. A motion to approve the tentative agreement between BHSP and the Board of the Friends of Bath Library. The motion carried.
- C. **Guarantor Release** – The legal documents from the Town of Bath's attorney Chip Edwards were received releasing James Russell Boyd and Phyllis Boyd as guarantors of the BHSP debt to the Town of Bath, as well as the documents naming James R. and Melba T. Edwards and Eugene L. Roberts, Jr. and Susan Roberts as the current guarantors.

- D. **Committee Chairs** – The committee chairs will remain the same as last year’s chairs. Carol Persche motioned approval of the list; Connie Bond, seconded; the motion passed.
- E. Website Agreement with Charles Rogers – A discussion of a Landing Page with Charles Rogers for non-profits brought about a motion from Sandra Harrison that the Board approve such a vendor web page. Upon further discussion with regard to past experiences of other board members, Sandra withdrew her motion pending further investigation. Mike will look into a business agreement.
- F. **NC Preservation** will be holding a meeting at the Grimes Plantation in Grimesland in connection with Eddie Smith. The event is to raise money for NC Preservation in support of keeping the Edenton office open. Tickets are \$35, and, if BHSP can purchase 20 tickets by way of donation to NC Preservation, our group will be a Preserve North Carolina Cornerstone Member. It was thought that such a move could be beneficial to our organization.
- G. A letter was presented from Surry Everett. The Historic Bath Foundation is embarking on an effort to print a Bath Community Newsletter. Connie Bond moved that we support this effort; Barry Boyd seconded; the motion passed.

V. Committee Reports

- A. **Membership** – Nelda Ormond reported a record number of members for the current year at 352.
- B. **Fundraising** – Claudia Alligood reported profits from the fall raffle exceeded \$9,000, a surprisingly good showing considering the economy.
- C. **Grants** – Golden Leaf was the main topic of conversation. The group is involved in a series of meeting with other county representatives, who are following the protocol set by the Golden Leaf Foundation. The initial phase is to set priorities for the major needs of Beaufort County. Surry Everett and Betsy Boxer are chairing and ad hoc committee to gather information and to prepare members of BHSP for participation in the Golden Leaf meetings. Carol Persche provided information to share concerning the Economic Development Strategy, which is the major focus concern for BHSP’s hoped-for share of the Golden Leaf Grant money. Mike Godley is joining forces with the group.
- D. **Building** – Sandra Harrison reported that the window repairs have begun. The engineer’s drawings have been completed for the Portico. Stocks & Taylor have met with Jimmy Price to discuss reinforcement for the arch, and an attempt is being made to nail down a price. An application is being made for a Lowe’s credit account.
- E. **Committee of 100** – Marti Buchanan reported that there was never any concrete agreement between BHSP and the Committee of 100 and that the library is a wonderful ideas for use of the southwest wing.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting date: January 3, 2012

Minutes submitted by Secretary Claudia Alligood

Date approved: _____

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