BHS Preservation Board of Directors' Meeting January 6, 2015

The Bath High School Preservation Board of Directors met at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, January 6, and President Becky Tuten welcomed members and guests. Board members present were Becky Tuten, Sandra Harrison, George Elliott, Margaret Ann Woolard, Jerol Selby, Jr., June Lee and Claudia Alligood. Guests included Nelda Ormond, Marti Buchanan, Elaine Harrison and Ruth Dorkin.

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

Members read over the minutes from the previous meeting and approved same (Sandra, motion; Margaret Ann, second).

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$65,213.50 in the checking account.

- -A discussion concerning a safety deposit box ensued since we have the title to the building, as well as other valuable documents. It was decided that we would purchase a small safety deposit box at First South (where June Lee works), and the president and treasurer would be signers for that box (Claudia, motion; Margaret Ann, second).
- -The treasurer's report was approved (Sandra, motion; Jerol, second).
- -June had a question about a statement of renewal for the group's National Trust membership. Cori Fritz paid the membership last year, and it was decided that she should be consulted as to the need for continuing that membership.
- -June volunteered to file the organization's taxes. The motion was made and passed that June be allowed to file with taxes with any necessary assistance that she might need (Muriel, motion; Elliot, second).

Committee Reports:

Building – Sandra Harrison gave the report for the building committee as an end-of-the-year report. Installation of crawl spaces, grates, painted eves, French drains (to be installed within two weeks), landscaping (paid by Bath Garden Club), flat roof replaced, repair of replica door by David Hoggard (no charge), repaired leak in new bathroom (Rich Fritz)

Fundraising – Claudia reported on progress toward the February 28 annual oyster roast and distributed tickets to be sold. The engraved brick project was also mentioned, with the first deadline corresponding with the oyster roast on Feb. 28. It is hoped that the first section of walkway will be installed soon after that date. Brochures announcing and explaining the brick project were distributed as well.

Float – The float won 1st place (ribbon and \$40) in the Bath Christmas Parade. It was noted that Elaine Harrison had made a financial investment in the float and should be reimbursed. She will receive the amount of the prize money with the remaining due her to come from the treasury (Claudia, motion; Margaret Ann. second).

-Sandra moved amending the 2015 budget to include \$200 in expense money for the float for another year. The motion passed (Jerol, second).

Grants – Cindi Baldwin was not present; therefore, no report. It was mentioned that she is waiting to hear from her grant application to PCS.

Gallery - Ruth Dorkin went over the rental agreement that her committee has put together. It was mentioned that we need a waiver form for people who are showing or placing their property on display but not covered by our insurance. Members were asked to send input ideas to Becky. It was suggested that the area about timeline for deposits and cancellations needed to be cleaned up.

Membership – Nelda Ormond said that her last report showed 320 members, and, as of this meeting, she now shows 443 members on the roll.

Old Business

We need to work seriously on strategic planning and goals as to possible uses for the reminder of the building, which project should be next, and possible funding for such projects. It was decided that we will meet on February 3 at 6:00 to continue with the planning that Cori Fritz and Deborah Torrence have begun. Members were asked to bring suggestions and ideas for the planning session. Becky will try to find out the status of the north wing with regard to the Foundation's plans.

New Business

Sandra encouraged everyone to look over the feasibility study and Cori's notes prior to our meeting on Feb. 3.

The meeting was adjourned.

Becky Tuten, President

Claudia W. Alligood Claudia Alligood, Secretary