

Heritage Advisory Council

January 20, 2009 minutes

Present: Ruth Dobyns, Quaker Heritage Center; Jan Beller, Greater Loveland Historical Society; Harriet Foley, Franklin Historical Society; Liz Buchanan Franklin Historical Society; Vicky Tappy, Warren Co. Historical Society; Dolly McKeehan, Museum at the Friends Home; Cyndi Pauwels, Museum at the Friends Home; Lucy McCarren, Harveysburg Historical Society; Steve Sorice, Harveysburg Historical Society; Terry Easton, Springboro Historical Society and Lois Jestice, Carlisle Historical Society

Absent: Karen Campbell, Mary L. Cook Library; Kay Fisher, Clinton Co. Historical Society; Jack Blosser, Ft. Ancient; Linda Morgan, Museum at the Friends Home

Reports

Minutes: Cyndi made a motion to accept the December minutes as written. Liz seconded; motion carried.

Membership: Reminder that dues are due by March 1. Lucy received dues from the Warren Co. Genealogical Society, Warren Co. Historical Society and Franklin. Cyndi met with Terry and Becky Hall from Springboro. Not sure yet if they can join. Due to state budget cuts, Ft. Ancient might not be able to join. Vicky made a motion to make Ft. Ancient (Jack Blosser) an honorary member until his financial problems are gone. Steve seconded; motion carried. Vicky to check about putting HAC information on Lebanon's public access tv and Cyndi will do the same with Miami Valley Cable Council to stress great local events to visit during the summer. Vicky to contact the group trying to buy/rehab the King House to see if there is any interest in joining HAC.

Treasurer's report: Lucy's report shows the December balance at \$142.75. She received \$300 today for membership dues. Vicky made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Steve seconded; motion carried.

Old Business

Warren County History Book project: Cyndi distributed 3 page notes to each member and asked they check it for facts or errors. She gave a draft to Lebanon, Franklin, Harveysburg, Carlisle and Loveland and asked to have it returned with any changes by February 6. Mason's draft is ready but no member was available.

No report on advertising sales because Vicky has not been able to reach the rep in Texas.

Springboro will take 10 books. Lebanon will take around 200. Franklin 40; WCGS 20-40; Carlisle 40; Museum at the Friends Home 40; Harveysburg 40; Loveland will take 40. No numbers yet from Ft. Ancient, Mary L. Cook Library or Mason. Vicky reported she sold 65 Lebanon history books in 4 weeks at Kroger, with Kroger taking 50% of the \$30 selling price. Ruth asked that ideas for distribution be brought to the February meeting. Books to retail at \$35.

Cyndi has 9900 words to date on the book and shooting for a total of 15,000. She is looking at mid-March for completion and needs to know how to do the final name index.

Passport Program: Vicky delivered the Passports to the county board of education. She had the outgoing president, John Lazares and incoming president, Tom Isaacs at her site for discusion of this project. Tom Isaacs was enthusiastic about this and will distribute to to superintendents the end of January at their meeting. John Zimkus will attend this meeting to explain the program to this group.

TAAG grant: Vicky has not yet met with the WCCVB to determine how much we received for this grant. Group approved making the "book mark" project a priority for this grant. Vicky is to let Ruth know the date of the meeting with the WCCVB so she can attend. Possibly put a book mark in each Warren Co. book HAC sells. A 2010 TAAG grant could be for marketing of the book.

Civil War Sesquicentennial project: Linda Morgan will discuss her ideas at the February meeting. No other action taken.

New Business

Cyndi stated the web site domain is up for renewal and has paid the \$50 but would like reimbursement. Vicky made a motion to have the treasurer pay Cyndi for this expense. Steve second; motion carried. Lucy wrote a check to Cyndi.

Dolly stated she has membership forms for any site wishing to join OAHSM. Cost is \$35 for sites operating with a budget of \$25,000 or less.

Vicky would like to have a graphic artist work on designing the book mark. Ruth will check with Wilmington College to see if she can get the layout done there and/or use it as an internship project. Cyndi would prefer not to do this project.

Ruth has sent each member a letter regarding her need for several 4-hour projects for her students in April.

Terry stated Springboro was having a clinic on tombstone restoration on May 30. Cost is \$35 for the day and participants will work at the old Universalist cemetery at Rts. 73 and 741.

Vicky is having a Decoration Day ceremony on May 24 with the history of Decoration Day. The museum's yearly quilt show is the first weekend in March.

Ruth reminded all of the Region 8 OAHSM meeting on Saturday, March 28 at Quaker Heights Care Center in Waynesville. The Museum at the Friends Home is hosting this year's meeting. 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Also, Tuesday, March 3 is Statehood Day celebration in Columbus from 10 am to 3 pm. Jim Trussel is the speaker.

The Quaker Heritage Center is doing a series of 5 speeches starting February 2 for 5 Mondays. Topic is "If War Isn't The Answer, What Is?" Time is 7:30 pm.

Jan brought copies of her newsletter with the exhibit theme, "Can You Spare A Dime?". She's asking for the loan of 1930's items for this exhibit. Terry stated he has a CCC photo and Lois has music from the 1930's. Please bring any items to the February meeting.

Dolly stated that their spring exhibit is called "Fashion Foundations" and will highlight ladies undergarments from the Civil War forward.

Next meeting:

When: 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 17

Where: Quaker Heritage Center

Host: Ruth Dobyns

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dolly McKeehan, secretary.