

# STHS Board Meeting

## Wednesday, October 2, 2014

Called to order by President Donneta Crane at 5:07 pm, The Schoolhouse

**Present:** Robert McEwan, Stephanie Garomon, Elaine Crooks, Gwen Davis, Linda Kenyon, Marnie Leasure, Charlotte Zanidakis, Melody Hunt

**Absent:** Donneta Crane, Judy Clarke, Penny Armagost

**Minutes of Sept 3, 2014:** accepted- Elaine moved to approve, Robert seconded

**Treasurer's Report: Elaine Crooks** *See Report*

Report for September 2014-Income=\$490.00, Expense=\$4,176.68 Opening Balance=\$94,829.73, Closing Balance=\$90,227.79

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Archives Report-Judy Clarke-***Not in Attendance-No Report*

**Development Report-Melody Hunt** *-See Report*

1. Painting with the Impression-SIPS is in this newsletter
  - A. Sunday January 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 2:30-5pm will be a winter scene based on George Sotter's painting, "Moonlight in Bucks County"
  - B. Sunday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 2:30-5pm An abstract construction (See Report)
  - C. Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> 2:30-5pm A spring scene based on Fern Coppidge's "Red bud Time"
  - D. Brochure was fine-tuned before using for obtaining sponsors
  - E. Mel will mail to businesses for sponsorships. Focus will be on art related businesses
2. **Dinner fundraiser scheduled for May 30, 2015**

**Action Items:**

1. **Looking for houses to accommodate 10-12 people for a sit-down dinner**
2. **Need to prepare a timeline to begin the planning**
3. **Some board members will be contacting possible candidate homeowners.**

**Education Report-Marnie Leasure-***See Report*

1. Marnie had a conversation with a first grade teacher in Princeton to be on the committee
2. Question raised by Marnie about developing a simple program for school children visiting the schoolhouse. What grade level(s) should we aim our focus? Should we have a TV? Is this an all-purpose room?
3. Key Club teachers were contacted but no response.
4. Linda said History Teachers would want to tour the schoolhouse. March will be the next tour.

**Events Report-Linda-***See Report*

1. Annual Meeting-November 16 from 5-6 at the Audubon Barn Linda wants to come up with something fun to encourage members to mingle. Suggestion made by Stephanie to roll out website by having a presentation.
2. New Years Day Brunch-Hollyhedge has been reserved for New Years Day Brunch-Bob Egan is reserved. Linda will have a committee meeting.

**Action Items:**

1. **Annual Meeting-Members asked to bring a covered dish. Board members provide items of substance such as a spiral ham. Give Peter Gatto a budget to buy wine.**
2. **Constant Contact flyer to be prepared to go out to members.**
3. **New years day brunch-suggestion to do a 50/50 raffle, and all board members were asked to pick up gift certificates for raffle.**

**Grants Report-Charlotte** *See Report*

1. Byers Foundation might be a sponsor of Art Series
2. Elaine suggested looking into Community Block Grant for History Organizations.
3. Cap Grant is an easy one.

**Membership Report-Penny Armagost-** *Not in Attendance*

1. Penny has asked to resign from the board.

**Oral History Report-Robert McEwan- No Report**

1. Robert met with Pam Sergey, the Michener Archivist for a tour of their Archives.
2. Suggestion to tap into Phillips Mill for oral history possibilities by documenting current artists.
3. Melody said she would ask her sister-in-law Patsy to reach out to Robert Beck

**Nominating Committee 2015**

1. Donneta is stepping down as President, Penny resigned Membership, Linda resigned Events-Elaine will step in with either secretary or PR.

**Action Item:**

**We need Secretary, Events, Membership**

**Note: Donneta will lead the Annual Meeting**

**Vice President-Building Report: Robert McEwan-No Report**

**Action Items Carried Over From Last Month:**

1. Brass plaque about the gift of cabinet needs to be created and put on map file.
2. Need gutter cleaned out
3. Need to publicize additions to website
4. Need a PR person
5. Patron/Sponsor Party

**NOTE: Bi-Laws Board members no longer than 6 years. Liz Veber explained 4 years ago the importance of a board member's term to not go longer than 6 years and leaving for 1 year. Donneta will go off the Board next year and Elaine the following year.**

**December 31 is Donneta Crane's last day as President.**

**Robert moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04**