**STHS Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 2, 2015**

Called to order by President Stephanie Garomon at 5:02 pm, New Hope Star Diner.
Minutes prepared 12/18/2015

Present: Stephanie Garomon, Charlotte Zanidakis, Brian Booth, Robert McEwan, Melody Hunt, Marnie Leasure, Judy Clarke, Mary Spencer

Excused: Vickie de Haven

**1**. 5:02 Meeting Opened

**2**. Introduced and welcomed Mary Spenser to the Board members. Mary will be assisting with Events.

**3.** Minutes of November 4th meeting approved.

**4.** **Treasurer’s Report**: **see financial reports on the web**

A. In Vicki’s absence, Brian presented the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Report and stated the budget is fine
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B. At the Annual Meeting on November 15th, Gayle Goodman inquired about having a
Balance Sheet. It was noted since STHS has no liability; a Balance Sheet is not applicable.

C. It was suggested that a separate accounting report be created for each event to note expenses and profits. Charlotte contacted Vicki who stated she has been doing this already.

D. Report accepted.

**5. Committee Reports**

A. Finance Report
Brian suggested creating a recognition event for contributors to The Solebury Township Historical Society’s Legacy Fund. The Legacy Fund exists to accept and invest legacy gifts from members and friends and will be used in support of the Society beyond the lifetime of the donor. A wall plaque would be created and a reception of appreciation would be planned. i.e. “Historian Party” or “Patrons Party’ at the 1740 House (Joe Luccaro).

Visual long-term fund (handout).Portfolio -- $65K invested in long term

B. Grants Report
Charlotte will follow through to schedule a tour at the Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts in 2016. STHS is participating in the Philadelphia Stewardship Program to work with CCAHA on a Preservation Needs Assessment.

Work is progressing on a grants proposal to the Grundy Foundation for schoolhouse renovations.

C. Events Report
Stephanie itemized tasks for the 2016 New Year’s Day Brunch: obtaining raffle items, menu, price for attendees, and completing/mailing flyer. Looking for one additional sponsor.

D. Education Report
Marnie reported no updates since last meeting

E. Archives Report
Judy reported no updates since last meeting.

F. Membership Report
Mailing responses are coming in fast with nice responses. STHS now has a separate U.S. Box number that is working nicely. Possible new committee member, Myrna, who will work with Vicki.

G. Oral History Report
Robert reported not too much action since November report. Historical Carversville Society submitted 3 interviews from Dick Magill and Brenda Meredith.

Robert will present a talk at the New Hope Historical Society in April 2016 at the Trinity Church. STHS will be a co-sponsor.

H. Vice President Report
Robert stated the 2015 #Giving Tuesday Scholarship Fund successfully met its $2,500 goal with assistance of two matching gifts from the Haley Foundation and Bowman’s Restaurant.

Building: refinishing schoolhouse floor difficulty to do and will cost an extra $500. Schoolhouse will be closed until job is completed. A detailed list of building ‘action’ was submitted to the Board at the meeting.

Regarding Phone/wireless: currently have Verizon and STHS should consider changing to another company. We need to invest in a new phone.

Schoolhouse Notecards: the Don Schoenleber photo of the schoolhouse vs. the current notecard of schoolhouse drawing by Jim Underbreg. Should STHS consider raffling schoolhouse drawing notecards next year and selling photo notecards at all events?

I. Development Report
Mel is organizing the three Impression-Sips for 2016: January 24, February 21, and March 13. Sponsorship is needed for the event along with folding tables.

**8. Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 PM**

Minutes prepared by Charlotte Zanidakis, edited/reviewed by Stephanie Garomon.