

STHS Sept 12, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened 5:00 PM

Present: Stephanie Garomon, Robert McEwan, Mel Hunt, Sue-Ann Divito, Judy Clarke

Excused: Brian Booth, Ken Odell, Vicki Lynn DeHaven, Charlotte Zanadakis, Darcy Fair, Laura Kim, Marnie Leasure

1. July 2016 Meeting minutes approved

2.. Treasurer's reports for July & August approved

a. due to several donations goods the Picnic was profitable

Suggestion made that next year we work ahead and get some local vendor to donate the meat products.

3. Membership:

a. 2016 for 2017 Mail out to promote paying dues: Charlotte to Help Stephanie get the mail out done by Mid October.

b. **ACTION:** Stephanie was asked for a report to the Board with her up to date count of normal members, complimentary members and business members. **As Stephanie has cleaned up the list could we all get a new copy please?**

Complimentary members defined as a list of vendors, and people who do something for STHS that have not (yet) signed up as members. We want to keep them interested by sending them via email only (i.e. no cost) all announcements about our events and other constant contact reach outs. All Board member should inform Stephanie of who should go on this list as they think of people. Ultimately we want to turn them into dues paying members, but we also want to expand the news of STHS to more people.

Action For now: Stephanie was asked to include on this list any supervisors and township employees that are not members.

c. **Business members: Action:** Stephanie is going to write a cover letter for this current appeal to Business members..

Key benefits is any business membership may have unlimited use of the Schoolhouse for events, and they will be listed in every chronicle publication.

4. Education: no report.

a. **ACTION: Marnie:**We have several requests for WALKS. Could you schedule one? Late October possible? People like them.

5. Events:

a. Picnic was a good success despite the rain. Site worked out as it was the big interior that worked well due to the rain. Next year look for a site with more shade possibilities.

b. Solebury Day discussed: Sue- Ann in general charge. Set up tent from 9:30 by Ken and others of the tent. 3 PM close and take down by Robert and others. Mel did a fabulous color book hand out for kids, featuring STHS iconic objects. We will run a raffle for the STHS throw 1 ticket for \$2. 3 tickets for \$5. **OBJECT:** collect email

addresses for possible membership sign ups and remains a few \$.
Sell STHS throws: price agreed at \$25/each. Also sell cards and a history books.
Action: Robert sent Sue-Ann a list "Talking Posters" we need for the tent. done.

c. Annual Meeting Nov. 13th 5 to 8 PM: **ACTION; Stephanie** to book the Barn, as usual. we NEED a speaker: it was suggested to perhaps ask Pam Gatto to speak on wine tasting and taste a few wines that go with the pot luck offerings: **Action Sue-Ann.**

d. Brunch Jan. 1st. Holly Hedge and Bob Egan have been booked by Stephanie.

i. **Raffle items: Stephanie to send out list of who approached (2015) what restaurants for action this year.**

ii. Elaine Crooks has nominated and Board approved 2017 Honorary Citizens: Jane and Ian McNeill. Their children have agreed. We need to consider how to advertise this closer to the event to build attendance for this honorary award.

6. Archives

a. Judy's report listed the many topics that need addressing, which is good as we have strong objectives for our "Preserving History" mandate.

b. **Action July to call Beth and set up a dialogue meeting** on the archives needs of Marilyn, Judy and the web site. While not complicated it is time to review. Suggests that this does NOT happen on a Wednesday open house time as one can't concentrate on the topics with visitors wondering in.

c. clearly we can use one or more new people on the archives team to move the projects along.

d. **Suggested that Marnie and Judy work on an appeal** to high school students (publish via the School Counselor) for their Community Service Hours to work on our scrap book update; or another specific defined easy to understand, archive project.

7. Oral History: Robert's report to Darcy not elaborated.

8. Grants: See written report.

9. Development: Mel resigned from the board effective Dec. 31st. 2016. She will continue to do several projects but not work as the chairperson for official fund raising.

10. V.P. report: see written report. We will put into use in Sept. the security system and inform all board members how to use it. codes etc. **Action** Robert

end of meeting: 6:15 pm