

**MANFRED HISTORY AND PRESERVATION, INC.
OCTOBER 18, 2009 - 1:30 P.M. -MANFRED MUSEUM**

Attending meeting:

Board Members:

Rose Anderson
Pete Anderson
Esther Boese
Verna Bowers
Laverne Johnson
Audrey Solheim
Lewis Weigelt
Ruth Widiger

Others:

Wesley Boese
Wesley Gross
Gwyn Herman
Wanda Melchert
Marilyn Campbell, visitor from Bismarck

Call to order: Audrey called the meeting to order. Eight board members and five others answered roll call. Pam Norstedt was excused for another obligation. A copy of the following reports were given to each attendee: agenda, minutes of July 26th, 2009, treasury and contribution, MHP endowment fund, corporate, education, museum, museum director, and historian.

Secretary's Report: Printed copy of our last meeting of July 26th, 2009 was viewed by those in attendance. Verna made the motion to approve the minutes as printed; Lewis seconded and motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Ruth explained the financial report: Beginning balance in checking account July 1, 2009 was \$10,605.74, deposits \$1,280.00, expenses \$2,475.57, leaving \$9,410.17 in checking account, \$7,515.14 in savings account. Total in both accounts \$16,925.31. Filed reports for audit.

Contributions: Verna reported \$7552.00 contributed to general fund for year to date (Included \$5,000.00 grant money and \$650.00 matching funds from Citi Foundation (Merlin and Laurie Schwartz) Endowment contributions of \$180.00. For 2009 there were a total of 27 that paid for newsletter subscriptions.

Endowment Funds: Audrey called attention to the balance of the endowment fund amounting to \$5,371.06.

Corporation Division: Laverne highlighted the grants that we've been awarded and used mostly on the Melby-Rogness House. They plan to write grants to restore the bank building and Solheim Service Station.

Educational Division: Gwyn mentioned the panels that have been completed for the Melby-Rogness House and several panels yet to be completed. When completed these panels will be fun and an enlightening educational experience for visitors.

Museum: Pam's report included the number of visitors and the states from which they came. Also volunteer hours were listed.

Museum Director's Report: Wanda highlighted some of the accomplishments around and in Manfred. Wanda and Richard deeded the bank to MHP, Inc. and the deed has been recorded and properly stored with the other MHP, Inc. legal documents.

Historian's Report: Audrey reported on the families that she was able to help find their family history and some she's still working with. She finished the cemetery records for Vang Cemetery and a copy is at the Museum for us to assist people when they need help locating ancestors' graves.

Old Business: Change the date for the Sons of Norway Celebration from June 20 to suggested dates of August 1, 2010 or August 15, 2010 secondary option. Conflicts in scheduling necessitated a change in date.

Pam and Wanda were appointed to be the nominating committee. The terms for Pete, Audrey, and Rose will expire.

New Business: Wanda made a motion to give a donation to SHSND Foundation in the amount of \$25;.seconded by Rose. Ruth amended the motion to increase the donation to \$50. Pete seconded and the amended motion carried.

A request was made by Robert Rodriquez for one of the digital photos in the Burkum collection. He requests the use of the picture No.4010 (a picture of 1965 Model John Deere combine) Laverne moved to adopt the procedure as outlined by Audrey for this request and future requests by him and others. A fee will be paid MHP, Inc. and our name will be put on any print that is used. Gwyn seconded and motion carried. The procedure acquisition form will be filed at the Museum for future use.

Gwyn announced that she and Laverne received the Notable Document award from the North Dakota Library Assoc. for Habitats of North Dakota series. The set of 5 books written by Gwyn and Laverne- Badlands, Prairie, Riparian Areas, Wetlands and Woodlands were donated to the Museum. Thanks and congratulations to a very impressive work.

Pam has been asked to meet with a representative from North Dakota Telephone Company to accept their grants (money for shingles for school and Solheim house). These grants require no matching funds.

We adjourned and lunch was served by Corporate/Education Division.

Secretary,

Esther Boese