

MANDAN Historical Society

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday November 3, 2016



Location: Conference Room at Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc.

Present: President Robert Porter; Vice President Walt Russell, Secretary Kathy Spilman
Treasurer William Engelter, MHSoc Director Bob Barr

Absent: MHSoc Director William Schott, Open Director Position

Meeting called to order by President Porter at 5:01 p.m. A quorum of Directors was present.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from July 21, 2016 meeting were presented. One addition offered. Motion to approve as modified was made, seconded and approved via voice vote. A thank you letter was sent to John Beck to thank him on his recent donations.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer reported a total of \$6892.36 on account with \$500 earmarked to the Pottery Association grant. One membership due payment was received. One \$25 check was received to cover administrative costs associated with a wage garnishment order. No bills were presented for payment.

Committee Reports

Buildings & Grounds Committee: No report available.

Communication & Public Relations Committee: Secretary/Webmaster Spilman reported on inquiries over the last several months.

Donations & Acquisitions Committee – A copy of an old edition of the Mandan News and a 1964 edition of a Rodeo Days poster was received from John Beck. Available work completed on computerized inventory of Society's collection on PastPerfect® software. Invoice from contractor not yet received.

Endowment Committee: No activity to report.

Grant Committee: Nothing to report.

Nomination Committee: Due to repeated absences of Director Schott despite repeated email messages, motion was made, seconded and approved via voice vote to remove William Schott as Director. Bylaws allow temporary appointment by President until subsequent general

membership meeting. Effort to fill two Director positions will ensue. Several possible candidates were suggested. Secretary will contact two individuals prior to next Board meeting.

Membership Committee: Nothing to report.

Old Business

Pottery Grant: No activity to report.

Items in Beanery Basement: Spilman reported her information indicated the old Pioneer newspapers had been removed from the Beanery basement. It was also reported that many of the old Polk Directories were missing, especially the oldest editions. Several of the newer editions are apparently on file at the ND Railroad Museum.

New Business

Short discussion ensued on the current status of the old Central Mandan School/Mandan High School/Mandan Middle School building. A firm from Minneapolis was seeking documentation in an attempt to list the building on the National Register of Historic Places. Directors were under the impression that Spirit of Life Catholic Church owned the building and was seeking to convert it to low income housing. Inquires will be made to check status.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 5 p.m. at the Conference Room at Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc.

Motion to adjourn at 5:28 p.m. made, seconded and approved via voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathye Spilman
Secretary

Approved: TBD