

Historical Commission Minutes

March 14, 2016

Present: Bonnie Gardeck, Mila Stryjecka, Russ Klug, Diana Caffero, Laura Williams, June Oulund, Warren Schuhrke, Hilde Kilian, Dan Sliwicki, Marilyn Golden

Meeting called to order by Dan Sliwicki at 10:04 AM. Pledge of allegiance was said. Motion made by Russ seconded by Warren to accept the minutes. All agreed to motion.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$4194.54 in the checking account as of 3/02/2016 and \$151.33 cash on hand. Motion made to accept report by Bonnie seconded by Warren. All agreed to motion.

Secretary Report: At the November NEIL meeting introduction was made, Bill Kennedy from Illinois Historic League, he is creating a data base of historic sites in the area. The March NEIL meeting was attended by Bonnie and Hilde. NEIL notes were distributed. Morton Grove Historical Society has on display "Flappers and Flyboys." They also have offered a class on "Archiving your Family History" on May 5th from 7-9:00 PM for a fee of \$47.00. McHenry County Illinois Genealogy Society has a one day conference July 9th at Mc Henry County College in Crystal Lake. A letter from our Library asking us to judge their bookmark contest. Thank note was received from the school superintendent for attending the play performed by the 4th and 5th graders. A new invitation was received to attend the middle school musical "Peter Pan" on Thursday March 24th. The Booster Line Vol.21 No. 2 February 2016 was received from the Fire Department.

The Library will donate the Card Catalog to us. Also some patrons have asked to attend the tea party. The library will direct them to us. As of today we have one table and 3 seats not sold.

Evening hours for our group will be March 15th from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM and April 19th.

June has more veterans for The Wall and the children's choir under the direction of Dori will be there. Russ will notify the Legion for the 21 gun salute.

Slate of officers was discussed and June made a motion seconded by Marilyn to retain the current ones. All agreed to the motion. Dan as chairperson, Warren as vice-chairperson, Cecilia as treasurer and Hilde as secretary. Also terms ending in April 2016 are Warren Schuhrke, June Oulund and Hilde Kilian. Dan has given a current list to Claudia Irsuto. Dan will send e-mails to Claudia and Brad Townsend to remind them and reappoint commissioners and pass out commission cards. Diana made a motion seconded by Bonnie to reappoint Warren, June and Hilde as commissioners from 2016 to 2018. All agreed to motion.

Diana is working on the photo binders, they have new numbers. Also the accession sheets follows a new format which matches up with the computer form. Biographies were added. Photo booth is working great and we are in the process of digitalizing the physical collection. Russ and Dan will be relabeling shelves for easier access and location of materials.

Mela is working on financial expenses 1996 putting it in a file in the computer and throwing away the paper receipts. USB drive is the backup if needed. She is also busy with the tea party.

We received a new letter for Tax Exempt, to be put into the file and used only when needed.

Six historic signs are still up, Dan and Russ checked out the signs. Still looking into other signs for buildings.

June would like to discontinue "Ancesry.com." It is costing us \$400 per year and she has completed her research. A better option would be if we use a consultant for any further search and pay a set amount. June will investigate and report back. Ancestry ends March 21, 2016. Motion made by Bonnie seconded by Marilyn to discontinue our subscription to Ancestry. All agreed to the motion.

Motion made to adjourn at 12:00 PM by Bonnie seconded by Marilyn.

Visitor: Keith Granum