

Bismarck Historical Society

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of September 14, 2017

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Directors Present: Tom Mayer, Marilyn Snyder, Yvonne Kubis, Mike LaLonde, Carolyn Twingley

Directors Absent: Kate Waldera

Also in Attendance: Walt Bailey (Exec. Director)

The committee discussed how, and if, the calendar for this next year should be made available. A distribution system needs to be set up for sales. Discussion centered on the possibility of giving members a calendar at the Annual Meeting and having others for sale there. The cost for printing will run at least \$2,000. All agreed it would be a good gift for members.

Tom Mayer asked for a committee for planning the Flag Pole Dedication at Camp Hancock. Tom Mayer, Mike LaLonde, Marilyn Snyder, and Walt Bailey will be on the committee along with Bob Wefald and Nancy Guy. Tom will set up a meeting.

The committee recommends we proceed immediately with setting up the Foundation the Atkinson family has requested we begin. The family will be providing a sum of money for the foundation at the request of Myron Atkinson. As the attendance at the August meeting was sparse, Walt recommended we get the Community Foundation director to our October meeting to explain the plan. A committee of Tom Mayer, Yvonne Kubis, Tim Atkinson and Walt Bailey was formed to oversee the process.

The committee spent a considerable amount of time on membership issues. Tom Mayer will send a letter out for membership renewal very soon. We are going to try a new plan in which renewing members can sign up a new member for ½ price. Hopefully, this will help grow our membership. The committee discussed giving a one-year membership to presenters in our lecture series. Walt Bailey moved and Mike LaLonde seconded the motion that Bismarck Historical Society provide a one-year membership for presenters. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the upcoming 150th Anniversary of Bismarck and our involvement in the event. We agreed on a committee of Tom Mayer, Walt Bailey and Marilyn Snyder meeting with Nancy Guy, city representative, to propose a plan for this event for the City Commission. The committee talked about the Members Picnic's success and agreed that we have outgrown the building in Sertoma Park. We will ask Mike Heyd, event coordinator, to reserve a larger room at Hillside Park for next year's picnic.

The committee adjourned at 1:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Snyder, Secretary