

Bismarck Historical Society

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of January 13, 2017

Gifted Bean, Bismarck Public Library

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

Directors Absent: Kate Waldera

Also in Attendance: Walt Bailey (Exec. Director)

The executive committee discussed how to improve communication with the Bismarck Historical Society members and the public in general. They decided we need to get as many e-mails of members as possible as we can then remind them of upcoming programs and projects when we want. John Nelson is in the process of printing more renewal letters with the membership cards attached and the committee decided to ask for e-mail addresses on that letter.

Yvonne Kubis, Treasurer, and Walt Bailey are working on a budget for this year and will need a tentative budget from each committee. Yvonne will e-mail committee chairs and ask them for their financial needs information.

Mike LaLonde requested the Society pay mileage and perhaps an honorarium for the speaker, Carl Larson, for the February program. He is coming from out-of-town and Mike thought perhaps we should give him some compensation for his travels. The committee agreed to pay him \$0.54 per mile but no further compensation as we do not give an honorarium to our other speakers and do not want to set a precedent.

Various committee members gave short reports on committee activity from the cookbook, archives, newsletter and program committees. The group once again talked about the need to get more members involved in the committees.

The committee discussed the calendar and whether to print. The group talked about giving a calendar to a member when the member renewed and having additional copies for sale. To do this, we would need a sponsor or sponsors. Costs for printing would be \$5.87 per copy with 400 printed and \$4.95 per copy with 500 printed.

Walt Bailey requested the treasurer prepare an end-of-year financial statement for the Board for the February meeting.

The committee adjourned at 1:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Snyder, Secretary

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