

BOURBONNAIS GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY at the LETOURNEAU HOUSE, in BOURBONNAIS, Illinois

MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2017 MEETING

Meeting called to order at 19h00. Members in attendance were: Jim Paul, Tim Arseneau, Gary Seiner, Mary Ann Lambert, Ellen Stringer, Bonnie Bergeron, Marsha Rabideau, Norma Meier, Ken Ponton, Lynn Ahlden, Nelda Ravens, Wal Schuller, and Charles Balesi. Note: refreshments were provided by Jim Paul.

Presentation: Marcia Rabideau presented a slide show of the highlights of the Midwest French Colonial History Tour in May 2015.

Treasurer's Report Finances:

Tim Arseneau indicates that the BALANCE is \$8,521.42. He would like the account to build to more than 10,000. Window Money is \$ 110.42. AUDIT needed as suggested by Jim Paul. Steve Monts and Larry Rabideau have agreed to conduct the audit. Motion adopted to have an audit for last year

Bonnie Bergeron gave a MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Ways and Means / Programming, publicity:

Ellen Stringer reports on the preparation of the ART FAIR scheduled for JULY 4<sup>th</sup> – 46 booths reserved. Friendship Festival (June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> ) will be an opportunity to promote the Crafts and Art Fair. Marsha Rabideau agreed to chaperone a Letourneau Home/Museum open house during the festival on Saturday June 24 from 1-3 pm. The NOVEMBER 3, 2017 Fleur-de-lis Celebration Dinner was proposed and presented. The membership agreed that this would be a great way to publicize our presence to the community.

BUILDING and GROUNDS – Gary Seiner mentioned that a light switch does not work. Jim Paul explained the progress of the adopt a garden program.

OLD BUSINESS: Marsha Rabideau plans to frame and hang new BGHS presidential portraits.

NEW BUSINESS: Norma Meier talked about house on Armour Road from the French Canadian period. She agreed to write an article for *The Herald*.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles Balesi

