

Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society
Minutes of May 4, 2018 Meeting

Opened with the Pledge of the USA flag. Nine members present: Bonnie Bergeron, Norma Meier, Jim Paul, Ken Ponton, Marcia Rabideau, Nelda Ravens, Sandi Sandeno, Gary Seiner, and Kathy Taylor.

Motion to approve the minutes by Ken Ponton and second by Sandy Sandeno.

Treasurer's Report- none

Ways and Means-

Ellen Stringer reported on Craft Fairs. Currently July 4th has 47 and 27 vendors for the December show. The rent for 4th of July show has been paid and the contract for 2019 signed. Extra funds may be needed to replace banners. BGHS/Les Artisans will receive \$500 donation from the Bourbonnais Friendship Festival. The Community Arts Council has asked for the BGHS to become a member. There was discussion of membership of Community Arts Council but no action was taken. Momence Heritage Days will be held June 9th. Tours for Riverside Senior Citizen and Shabbona School students will be given May 16&17 by Jim Paul, Marcia Rabideau, and Sandi Sandeno

Curator Report-

Malette reported by email: an update of the Accession form to be done by August to reflect the Access Program the computer will have. She is in the process of getting a lap top for the Letourneau House. Items for the people file have been scanned and will be filed. If there is anything else that needs to be scanned, she will pick them up on May 12th and return in June.

Marcia reported: the copy of the DVD of Tour of Letourneau House by Ken and Vic and filmed by Daron is missing. She would like to create a lending library of historical books and DVDs to be signed out, but needs to keep a copies of the DVDs in the safe.

Two different Acquisitions Forms are being used and we need to decide on one and make copies. We need to be more limited on items donated because of space. Sale of some items that have no history of owner and not useable in the Letourneau House could be sold at Friendship Festival or Les Artisan Show. Minutes from 2017&18 are missing. No Treasures Report for 2017 with the minutes. Marcia will contact Catherine Smith about pictures of a workbench she purchased from the Cooper Farm.

Membership Report: Lifetime 62, New 14, Paid 68 (6 on line) Not paid 42 Total members 156

Buildings and Grounds Report:

\$1000 for painting and repair of 15 windows needs to be approved by the Board. Motion was made by Norma and second by Bonnie to be approved by the Board. Bee Hive will be placed on property soon. Pete Grzelak will be cutting grass, as needed, for \$90. Garden work session will be May 19 from 8-10. New plant tags have been ordered and a Master Gardener will be attending to the Herb Garden.

New Business:

Website update- Fleur-de-Lis celebration dinner September 28. Jim will ask Charles to work on French Ale made by Brickstone with Chris Shoup's logo. Nelda-Information made by Dave King about the Van Meter Cemetery will be on the table at the Letourneau House available for reading. Jim listed Durham Perry Farm Open House events on May 5 from 10-1pm. Log House Steering Committee will meet May 14.

Adjournment: Motion by Bonnie, Second by Marcia at 7:52.