

BOURBONNAIS GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
July 5, 2018

Call to Order: President Jim Paul called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Attendance: Jim Paul, Tim Arseneau, Gary Seiner, Norma Meier, Marcia Rabideau, Charles Balesi, Daron Kinzinger, Jenny Tanner, Michelle Meier, and Mary Ann Lambert

Jim Paul read statements from a speech by George Letourneau on July 4, 1889.

Minutes: *Correction to the June meeting made by Marcia Rabideau.* No Board Meeting was scheduled for June 16. The next Board Meeting will be Aug 3rd or 4th.

Jim Paul read Thank You notes from Riverside Senior Life and Shabonna School. The minutes were approved corrected.

Treasurer's Report/Finances: Tim Arseneau submitted a printed treasurer's report, which included the following account balances as of May 31, 2018.

Checking \$9,937.40

Windows \$175.60

Schoolhouse \$2,917.82

Motion to accept the treasurer's report and pay bills passed unanimously.

Membership Report: none

Ways and Means/Programming/Publicity:

Donation: Jim Paul read a letter from Gary Betourne and accepted a donation and a 1848 Family Journal

Les Artisans Fair: Ellen Stringer will report next month.

Fleur-de-lis Celebration Dinner: Flyers were passed out. Menu and schedule were discussed. Registration for the dinner and nomination form for the award can be found on the BGHS website.

Curators' Report: Daron Kinzinger reported corresponded with Malette concerning a logo. Assistant curator, Marcia Rabideau, reported that the Lending Library now contains over 50 books, journals and guides and 4 DVDs. She made a motion to dedicate the Lending Library to Charles J. Belesi who donated most of the items. The files donated by Charles will be placed in the office to be used as references. Motion was seconded by Daren Kinzinger and passed. The list of books will be published for members. The minutes from passed years have been moved to the office.

Building and Grounds: Garry Seiner complimented Pete on the mowing. Jim Paul scheduled July 21 from 8-10 a.m. for the next garden work session. Watering will be left up to individuals to care for their own garden area. The Herb Garden has been refurbished by four master gardeners. A dedication will be scheduled some time in September.

Old Business: The windows have been painted on the outside for less than \$600. A contractor has been contacted for repair of the roof. Jim Paul requested a change of one word in the By Laws concerning Membership be made at the next Board meeting in Aug. Charles Balesi will contact Brickstone Brewery about giving a French/Canadian name to a new beer.

New Business: Marcia Rabideau made a motion to purchase a recorder to be used at the meetings for transcribing the minutes.

Norm Meier reported: *Bastille Day* will be celebrated at the French Heritage Museum on July 14 from 1-4 p.m.
Ponton Day will be celebrated Aug 11 at the the French/Canadian Heritage Museum

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Rabideau