

Minutes of the Mille Lacs County Historical Society
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday February 19, 2020 0830h
At the Princeton Great Northern Railway Depot

- *The meeting was called to order at 0832h. Board members present were: Tammy Creasy, Gail Perkins, Barry Schreiber, Judy Stewart and Rosanne Volker. Also attending was member and City Council liaison Jack Edmonds.**
- *The proposed Agenda for this meeting was approved (Stewart moved, Perkins seconded).**
- *The Minutes of the January 15, 202 MLCHS Board meeting were approved (Volker, Perkins).**
- *The "Statement of Position as of January 31, 2020" and the "Statement of Activities - Jan 20" as prepared by Treasurer Tammy Creasy were approved (Volker, Stewart).**

***Updates**

- A) More than \$580 has been received in the Ron Almen Memorial Fund. Consideration is being given to locating a mannequin or wire frame clothing stand to display a photo of Ron in his Navy uniform.**
- B) The final layout and design of the two Brickton Monument Expansion outdoor interpretive signs has been approved and sent to Gopher Sign in St. Paul. Production is expected in 6 weeks.**
- C) The MLCHS 2020 Gala is being restructured into a "Member Appreciation" event which will be held in the Amdall Room on May 2, 2020 after the Brickton Monument Expansion dedication ceremony held at the Brickton site.**
- D) The South Waiting Room ceiling repair is now completed, along with the former Men's Bathroom Ceiling repair. Beadboard panels now reinforce the acoustical ceiling tiles and a cove moulding has been installed, caulked and painted around the ceiling perimeter of both rooms.**
- E) The Board approved the move of the depot's original Railway Express baggage cart to the Amdall Room (Schreiber, Stewart).**
- F) The Board approved action to terminate the loan of and return the massive First Congregational Church pump organ to the congregation, as the South Waiting Room exhibits are being prepared (Schreiber, Stewart).**
- G) Thanks to Chris Rotz, Roseanne and Garlan, the Shop and Project Room ceiling and workbench are now completed!**
- H) We are patiently waiting for a carpenter to work on the Toilet Room remodeling project.**
- I) Four sessions of Pioneer School have been scheduled with last year's teachers. We are looking for another teacher to offer one or two more sessions for Summer 2020.**
- J) Tammy and Barry will meet to develop a MLCHS insurance proposal for the Board. The issue of having Amdall Room renters provide homeowners' insurance coverage was discussed.**
- K) The usefulness of revising the MLCHS Articles of Incorporation to better fit our current structure was mentioned.**
- L) Barry is investigating the possibility of having the Minnesota Digital Library convert the Reed Henschel 16 mm films of the Princeton boys at Camp Rucker, Alabama to digital format.**
- M) Barry will make a small grant proposal to the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund to bring our microfilm collection current from the year 2008.**
- N) We are still waiting on the use of a liftgate truck and pallet jack to move the fireproof filing cabinets offered to us by Bremer Bank.**
- O) Pat Ahrens' Princeton Middle School history class is making a video of Princeton's history, using materials gathered here at the depot in two class visits.**
- P) The MLCHS office computer has been backed up on a flash drive. This includes Pictures, Documents and Downloads. The backup flash drive will be stored in the Bremer Bank safety deposit box of the MLCHS.**
- Q) The Board authorized up to \$200 to get an MLCHS web site organized and mounted (Creasy, Schreiber). Roseanne will research registering a domain name and building the site.**

The meeting adjourned at 1010h (Creasy, Stewart). Respectfully submitted, Barry Schreiber