



MINUTES
ONE MOUNTAIN FOUNDATION
Board of Directors Meeting
Cascade American Legion
September 24th, 2008

Chairman Gary Muller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. In addition to Gary, the following Board members were present: Jamie Bowders, Kim Harbaugh, Heather Bodnar, John Miller, Jeff Coyle, Mary Rae Cantwell, Helen Mency, Jim Bittner, Alice Humphrey, Tom Rouzer. Nina Rouzer, Bill Carter and Joan Fry also attended.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the August meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jamie Bowders presented the treasurer's report. The OMF checkbook balance is \$2,221.31. The Mountaintop Heritage Days checkbook has a balance of \$1,288.52. Jamie reported that the OMF checkbook includes money collected from new members and donations.

Communications, Membership and Resource Development Committee

Jamie Bowders reported that she has received twenty-two new members to OMF from the membership drive. Two of those members paid as 10-year members. She has also received donations from the community.

Kim and Jamie will send welcome letters to new members and thank you letters to people who donated once the general membership meeting has been held and we have a list of all new members. Kim suggested sending a welcome letter to the new members along with something marketable with the One Mountain Foundation's logo and website on it, such as ink pens or magnets. John Miller is ordering ink pens for the Civil War Roundtable and she will see how much he spends before the Board decides whether to get pens printed.

Mountaintop Heritage Days Committee

Jeff Coyle reported he had no report for Mountaintop Heritage Days until he can confirm dates, etc. with COPT at Fort Ritchie for 2009.

Heritage Development Committee

Gary reviewed the grant application information for the Civil War Roundtable, signed it and returned it to Jamie for processing.

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John Miller shared a copy of the Civil War Roundtable event flyer that Heather designed and had printed. The fliers have been distributed and the event is planned. John said they are simply waiting for participants to sign-up. Because of the economy the participants are slowly trickling in. Kari and John ordered folders, pens, and brochures for the event to be given to each participant. John has vendors coming to the event and OMF will have a table set up there as well. The schedule of events and the vendors are listed on John's website at www.emmitsburg.net/montereypass.

By-laws Review & Nominating Committee Report

Gary reviewed the changes to the by-laws and asked if there were any questions or concerns before the by-laws were accepted.

Nina asked about the expiring terms and what the Board should do if there is no one to act as Chair once the Chair's term is over. According to Article VI, Section 2, the officers will "serve until their successors are elected." Gary has agreed he will chair the October meeting until a new Chair replaces him. John made a motion to accept the by-laws as changed and it was seconded.

Since Karen was unable to make the Board meeting and she will be unable to attend the membership meeting on October 1st, Gary will present the Nominating Committee's report in her absence.

General Membership Meeting

The general membership meeting scheduled for October 1st has been planned. Kim contacted Dr. Joe Jacobs, the new Director of the Fort Ritchie Community Center and we will be using one of the new meeting rooms in the facility. The meeting will be a small informational meeting with open discussion, the Nominating Committee's report, and the floor will be opened for nominees to the OMF Board of Directors. Refreshments will be served. Helen Mency offered that the Victor Cullen Academy students will bake cookies as part of their community service requirement.

Gary asked the Board how they thought the voting process should take place. It was decided that ballots be prepared with the four nominees from the Nominating Committee's report along with extra spaces for nominees that might be received from the floor. The votes will then be individually counted at the membership meeting.

Gary will prepare the agenda for the membership meeting and asked that the Chairs from the MTHD Committee, the Museum Committee, and the Membership Committee stand up and say a few words about the projects they are working on. He also asked that John Miller and Alice Humphrey give a brief run-down for the Civil War Roundtable and the Dinner Theater.

Old Business

Jeff received consent from the Blue Ridge Summit Library to do whatever he sees fit to repair and level the plaza area. He is planning on adding top soil, leveling it off for a small platform for future use, and

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planting grass seed. He will coordinate volunteers from One Mountain Foundation and anyone else who would like to help. He has a meeting with the Sons of the American Legion on Tuesday, September 30th and he hopes to coordinate the volunteers to complete the work by the third week of October.

Jeff has also been inquiring about the repair and conservation of the Mason Dixon marker. He will need to write a letter to the current owners and give them a detailed description of what is planned before he has permission to move forward. He thinks this project may be completed in the spring.

New Business

Heather gave a report on the One Mountain Foundation's website analytics. She reported that within one month the site received over 100 visitors and the visitors were staying for over three minutes. These are great statistics for a site that has only been up for a short time.

Heather inquired as to how the Board would like to handle links on the website for other organizations and businesses. It was discussed and decided to charge a small fee to businesses who would like to display a link to their website. Heather also recommended adding a calendar of events to our website for all local events. Heather will draft a sponsorship form for the businesses to advertise on the website.

Alice asked how everyone was doing with the ticket sales for the October dinner theater. She reported they are having trouble selling the tickets this time around. She also inquired about the press releases for the newspapers and Gary said he would check on why the press releases have not run in the Record Herald and/or Herald-Mail.

There being no more new business Gary adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Annual Membership Meeting: October 1st, 7 pm, Fort Ritchie Community Center

Next OMF meeting: October 22nd, 7 pm, Cascade American Legion

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Harbaugh
Secretary

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