



MINUTES
ONE MOUNTAIN FOUNDATION
Board of Directors Meeting
Cascade American Legion
October 22nd, 2008

Acting Chairman Gary Muller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following Board members were present: Jamie Bowders, Kim Harbaugh, John Miller, Jim Bittner, Alice Humphrey, Tom Rouzer, Nina Rouzer, Bill Carter and Randy Humphrey.

Absent Board members: Jeff Coyle, Heather Bodnar, Helen Mency, Mary Esta Scruggs and Donnie Forrest.

Foundation members and guests included: Dick Gladhill, Phyllis Presley, Penny Manahan, Bill Coyle and Bev Coyle.

Gary Muller is Acting Chairman until a new Chair and Vice-Chair are elected to the Board.

Gary welcomed new Board members Bill Carter, Nina Rouzer, Randy Humphrey, and returning Board member Alice Humphrey. Gary also noted that his officer term is up, along with Mary Rae Cantwell, and Karen Justice.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the September meeting were reviewed and approved. Nina motioned to accept and Tom seconded the motion.

Minutes from the October 1st annual membership meeting were reviewed. Nina motioned to accept and Jamie seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report

Jamie Bowders presented the treasurer's report. The OMF checkbook balance is \$3,393.87. The Mountaintop Heritage Days checkbook has a balance of \$2,357.44. So far this year there has been income of \$43,671.04 with expenses of \$35,360.42. This leaves \$8,310.62 in revenue.

Board Officers

Gary stated there are two vacant Board seats, the Chair and Vice-Chair and the Board members need to vote new Board officers. Gary gave a choice of forming a Nominating Committee to report back to the Board or simply electing and voting at the meeting. Kim made a motion to form a Nominating Committee and Tom seconded the motion. Kim, Bill Carter and Nina volunteered for the Nominating Committee.

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Before a timeframe to report back to the Board could be determined the meeting dates for November and December were discussed. The November meeting would fall on November 26th, the eve before Thanksgiving and the December meeting on Christmas Eve. It was voted to change the November meeting to November 19th and make it a meeting for November/December. Therefore the Nominating Committee needs to report back by the November 19th meeting with officer nominations.

Communications, Membership and Resource Development Committee

Jamie Bowers reported we are still receiving new member enrollments. We now have over 50 members. Kim will send thank you letters to new members.

Mountaintop Heritage Days Committee

Alice reported the fall dinner theater went well even though they were unable to sell as many tickets as the spring theater. She has received many compliments on the show and decorations. Jamie reported approximately \$600 revenue. A March or April dinner theater will be planned. For the spring theater it was suggested to have the tickets printed earlier and work on better advertising. Unfortunately the newspapers are not publishing the press releases in a timely manner.

Jeff was unable to attend the meeting so Jamie reminded everyone that the MTHD bingo at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall is Friday, October 24th. Jamie needs volunteers. The Fire Hall is not helping with the advertising as agreed. Jamie suggested that the MTHD Committee meet with the Fire Hall Board after this bingo to reevaluate their agreement. At the last bingo there were a lot of complaints about the quality of the food prepared by the Fire Hall.

Heritage Development Committee

John Miller supplied a handout with an update on the Fall Roundtable event. He reported they now have 47 participants, which is a great start for the first event. All of the materials have been ordered, including folders and small complimentary notebooks that will be given to each participant. There will be handouts put in each folder, including a rack card that gives a brief story of the Battle, along with maps and local ads.

The One Mountain Foundation will have a table set up at the event and will assist with participant registration. Kim and Jamie will help with registration, but more volunteers are needed to help in between lectures and at lunch. We will have our membership forms available and our calendars for sale.

John said they have spent \$4,400 of the \$5,000 available grant. Gary suggested he should utilize the remaining money to purchase commemorative issues of the North/South magazine from 1998 that dealt with the Battle of Monterey. One hundred copies of the magazine can be reprinted for \$3.75 each. Gary suggested having the authors autograph the magazines if possible.

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John said if anyone can help the day of the event, please be at the Fire Hall by 7:30am to help setup.

Museum Committee

John reported that he and Kari would like to examine the artifacts that are in storage. He received a copy of the State of Maryland guidelines for the museum and Kari is working on the mission statement. Once they have more information they will meet with the rest of the Museum Committee.

Old Business

The policy handbook was discussed and Kim said she has written a preliminary outline to use. Bill Carter made a motion to form a separate Rules Committee to deal with By-laws, the handbook, etc. Jamie seconded the motion. The Committee includes Jamie, Kim, Nina, Bill and Tom.

Since Jeff was unavailable to discuss the Library landscaping project Gary said that if he has a date scheduled for the work, Kim can email the members.

New Business

Kim talked to Carla about the calendar project. Carla said her idea for the 2010 calendar was to take pictures of local houses. Bill Coyle said he could help with pictures of some of the houses in Monterey. Anyone interested can let Carla know and she will help if able.

Jamie reported that Jeff has talked to Mike McDonald and Mike Green about a haunted house at Fort Ritchie for next year. They were supposed to meet with Bill Hofmann to review their options. The MTHD Committee would be involved and Jamie said she could add the event to our current insurance policy.

A reminder that the Fountaindale Fire Department is hosting another bus tour on November 1st at 8am and noon. It costs \$15 a person and the bus is leaving from the Fort Ritchie Community Center. Tickets for the noon bus tour are almost sold out, but the 8am tour is still available. See Duke Martin of the Fountaindale Fire Department or Lynn Ford of GT's for tickets.

Gary adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Next OMF meeting: November 19th, 7 pm, Cascade American Legion

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Harbaugh
Secretary

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