

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF DAYTON VALLEY
MINUTES – BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 08, 2015

The monthly Board of Directors Meeting was held at the Dayton Valley Community Center, Dayton NV.

Meeting was called to order at 10:40 am by President Linda Clements.

Board Members present: Linda Clements, Mabel Masterman, Grace Ricci, Sheila Hodach, Phyllis King and Laura Tennant. Absent: Lynne Ballatore and Gretchen Arndt. Others present: Nancy Sbragia, Julie Workman, Gloria Manning, Jack Folmar, Elaine Bergman, David Cooper and Melanie Cooper.

MINUTES:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve minutes of June 11, 2015 Board of Director’s meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- Grace presented June Monthly Income and Expenses Report. Starting Balance: \$4,597.32, Income: \$5,162.62, Expenses \$4,117.49; Ending Balance: \$5,642.45. She noted we did not need to cash out a CD to pay for 400 “DAYTON” history books being purchased (on our behalf by Laura) from Arcadia Publishing. Previously the board authorized Pat Neylan to spend \$150.00 and re-order books for the Gift Shop. The bill, including freight charges was \$159.52. A motion was made to accept the June 2015 Income/Expenses financial report as presented. Motion seconded and passed unanimously.
- After Grace’s report a recent matter of concern was discussed where money from the till had been borrowed to make an immediate purchase, causing a bookkeeping issue. Basically, there needs to be a paper trail clearly reflecting incoming money as deposited in our account (and its source). When money is spent, recordation of that transaction also needs a paper trail. Otherwise, as an organization we can’t properly account for our money. Consensus was this concept should be accepted as standard operating procedure.

CORRESPONDANCE:

- There were several communications not requiring actions or formal discussion. Folder containing them was passed around for review (or not).

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Linda noted upcoming surgery necessitates Vice President to assume President’s duties for about a month starting some time in August. She noted her comments on other items would be made as they came up for discussion. She mentioned as a result of the AP picking up story on our Civil War Veteran, Pvt. Scott Carnal, and a possible lead on his descendants has been secured.

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

- Mabel noted she had six brief updates plus something she wants discussed at August BOD meeting: #1) Thank you notes have gone numerous people in community who contributed some way to the Pvt. Scott Carnal Memorial Ceremony on June 7th, plus all 8 of the outside groups who were more involved; #2) Notes of appreciation have been sent to all outside groups involved with Rummage Sale, and a donation check for \$100.00 was sent to LCSO VIP members for doing overnight security at the site; #3) A reminder to pay 2015-2016 dues prior to October 13th to be eligible to vote in November elections; #4) She thanked members who helped out at a “work-session” where invitations for the August 1st event were prepared for mailing (they were mailed in 2 batches prior to 4th of July holiday); #5) Reminded folks of the Soroptomist Picnic/Lecture July 18th, at site of the “Combination Mine” near Virginia City; #6) Be sure to vote by email for DAYTON prior to cut-off date set by Nevada Magazine “Tour Around Nevada: Vote for Your Favorite Town!” Contest. Mabel also noted By-Laws state the term for directors shall be one year, OR as determined for the following year(s) by the current board of Directors. She would like the board to discuss electing all 7 directors (as usual) this year, however, stagger term endings so that 4 will expire one year and 3 will expire the next. She said by having only half the board “new” we would have more stability by always having current members mixing with newer board members. She plans to present this concept to members at the upcoming General Meeting. This will be an August BOD Agenda item.

OLD BUSINESS (carried over from June BOD meeting):

- **Society Publicity** – After discussing needs, including who might be interested in helping, Melanie Cooper will be lending a hand.

OLD BUSINESS/ UPDATES:

- **Status: 2014 HSDV Scrapbook** – Progress in compiling/completing 2014 HSDV Scrapbook has become an issue. During May, Sheila offered to intervene and work with current scrapbook chair. She said the book is still being slowly worked on. They are lacking photos taken during events. Also in May, Mabel had agreed to be scrapbook advisor (with a report in June on status in June). Jack Folmar offered to work with Sheila in an attempt to secure pictures of 2014 events.
- **August 1st 150th Schoolhouse Birthday/Dayton book event** - Co-Chairs are Julie Workman and Nancy Sbragia. Gloria Manning is coordinating all overall hospitality related matters. A separate meeting with members participating was scheduled for Laura's house, this Friday. At that time it is anticipated many details can be confirmed and things firmed up. Nancy reported she has contacted some alumni and is still pursuing others.
- It was agreed to hold out 150 books strictly for the August 1st, 1:00 to 5:00pm book signing session. Members will receive their 15% discount when purchasing a book. Otherwise, books will sell for \$21.99. Jack Folmar will produce buttons to advertise the book. He will contact Smiths about our being able to pass buttons and advertising fliers out in front of their store a couple of weekends prior to the event itself. Approximate cost of buttons is \$22.00 per hundred. Book purchase and signing related opportunities need to be communicated to both members and the general public. Mabel has been working to do this. It was agreed Lynne was to track all money and sales figures associated with book sales. Everyone was encouraged to dress in "period clothing" or early grammar school type clothes during August 1st celebrations.
- **Status: Tourism Grant/RR Days** – Duncan Lee apprised us of basic details of \$8K grant recently awarded to HSDV by NCOT, basically for advertising and promoting of RR Days event. As with another previously acquired \$2.5 grant, HSDV is obligated to contribute "matching funds", of which in-kind volunteer hours are allowed. After discussing, a consensus split on various advertising options, a mix of HSDV money and in-kind services, with decisions being made by Duncan. During RR Days, gold panning, simulations, the hand car and steamers will be taking place. Also the depot will be touted as having "Hot Music, Cold Beer, and a place to Sit and Listen".
- Linda noted rehabilitation portion is going forward as it should. In the near future stake-holders will be meeting with the County. Thus allowing all to be on the same page pending the official report from the Dube' Group.
- After discussing, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously for HSDV to service mark the name "Carson & Colorado Railroad Company" including the logo. Linda felt it was necessary to protect ourselves against someone else service marking the Carson & Colorado name and/or logo and refusing to let us continue using it. Linda will do filing, society will pay fee. Cost for 5 years: \$100.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Membership discount DAYTON book** – Because it was unclear whether or not HSDV could give the normal 15% member discount (some publishers prohibit multiple discounts) Laura informed board that Arcadia Publishing did not prohibit us giving HSDV members this discount.
- **History Moment -July General meeting** – Laura will present an interesting truism about one of the photos used in the upcoming new "DAYTON" history book.

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS:

- Reminder that By-Laws require a member to be in good standing 30 days prior to elections. This equates to dues having been received prior to October 13, 2015 in order to vote.

ADJOURN: Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 12:25pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

s/s M. E. Masterman

Mabel Masterman, Secretary

Approved by the Board: August 12, 2015

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