



SOUTH DAKOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOUNDATION

Board of Directors

Thursday, September 14, 2017

Education room of Cultural Heritage Center, Pierre

Board Members Present: John Teupel, Brian Gatzke, Jacquelyn Fuller, Chuck Riter, Greg Risse, Philip Hall, Curt Mortenson

Board Members Absent: Mike Gibson, Gary Heintz, Roger Meyer, Connie Schroeder

Staff Present: Michael Lewis, Lisa Bondy, Catherine Forsch, Dorinda Daniel

Others Present: Jay D. Vogt

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m. CDT by vice chairman Brian Gatzke. A quorum was declared when Mortenson joined the meeting at 1:40 p.m. Teupel joined the meeting at 1:55 p.m., but Gatzke remained in charge of the meeting.

Conflicts of interest: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Riter, seconded by Hall, to approved the minutes of the July 28, 2017, board meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

SERVICE PILLARS

I. People

a. Board Development

i. Discussion of Nominations for the Board

Gatzke said he had contacted Ralph Borkowski from Huron and Bondy had contacted Craig Green from Aberdeen about becoming board members. Lewis and Teupel said they wanted to add more members to the board before the end of the year. Board members were asked to nominate a person to be a board member. Gatzke asked Vogt to give Forsch the names individuals involved in the historic preservation commission and Forsch will send the names to current board members. Bondy will put information about the foundation and South Dakota State Historical Society on the foundation's website so board members can give the information to potential board members. Forsch asked the board to be selective in their choices for new board members. An ideal board should have the right mix of expertise and experience, and all board members should be committed to the foundation's mission. Fundraising experience would be a plus.

ii. Noel Hamiel Resignation

The resignation of Noel Hamiel had been received by Teupel and was accepted.



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The resignation of Lee Schoenbeck, who had submitted his resignation at the July 28, 2017, board meeting, was also accepted.

iii. Board Nominations

Teupel set the next board meeting as 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 1, at the Cultural Heritage Center.

He appointed Mortenson, Hall and Fuller to a nominating committee.

They are to bring a slate of officers for 2018 to the Dec. 1 board meeting.

They are also to contact board members whose terms are expiring at the end of the year to find out whether or not the board member will continue to remain on the board.

II. Growth

a. Marketing Committee

i. Monthly History Articles

Lewis said there has been good interest in the monthly history articles sent by the foundation

ii. History and Heritage Book Club

Lewis said that Brad Tennant, the president of the South Dakota State Historical Society board of trustees, had been the book club speaker on Sept. 12.

b. Projects

i. Paddleboat Cruises

Cruises on the paddleboat The Sunset are scheduled for Sept. 22 and 24. Forsch will be trying to raise money for the steamboat exhibit in the museum at the cruises.

ii. Western Collectibles Auction

Forsch said that about 20 items have been contributed for the live auction and about 20 for the silent auction that will take place on Sept. 15 during Fort Pierre Bicentennial/Dakota Western Heritage Festival events at the Fort Pierre Expo Center. Items that have attracted the most attention are two E.C. Lee saddles, a set of E.C. Lee chaps and a sleigh. Several contacts have been made as a result of the auction, as Forsch said that when she has talked to people about donating items to the auction, they tell her of others she should talk to. Lewis said that the auction is a great opportunity for future development and fundraising, and that the process for next year's auction will start almost immediately after the current auction is over.

iii. Badger Clark Event at Custer State Park

Lewis reported on a Badger Clark Event that took place on Sept. 2 at three locations within Custer State Park. About 80 people attended the program in the morning at the Badger Hole; about 60 attended a program in the afternoon at the Peter Norbeck Outdoor Education Center; and about 60 attended a program in the evening at the Tatanka Theatre at the Game Lodge Campground.

Presenters were Pegie Douglas and the Badger Sett Band; Rex Rideout; Greg Scott and Kenn Pierson.



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More than \$1,200 in books and other items were sold during the event. The process of editing “Sun and Saddle Leather” for reprinting is underway. A grant has been received from the South Dakota Humanities Council for reprinting for volume of poetry.

III. South Dakota State Historical Society Presentations

- a. SDSHS Director’s Report – Jay D. Vogt
Vogt gave an update on the five program areas of the South Dakota State Historical Society.
Archaeology is in the middle of field season.
Archives is focusing on moving the microfilm unit from Springfield to the women’s prison in Pierre. This is the 10th anniversary of the photo digitization project that has been made possible through funds raised through the foundation.
Historic preservation is celebrating the 140th anniversary of Oahe Chapel. SHPO has been working with the Pierre/Fort Pierre Preservation Commission to improve the Fort Pierre Chouteau site.
The museum will be opening a new exhibit in late November about the 1970s.
Research & Publishing will be represented at the South Dakota Festival of Books.

IV. Other New Board Business

- a. Director of Administration -- Lisa Bondy
 - i. Update on Store Activities
Bondy said that income from the Heritage Stores was down about \$2,000.
 - ii. Update on Administration Activities
Bondy said she submitted a grant to the South Dakota Community Foundation for photo digitization. The state gave the foundation new computers and towers. The foundation will not have a booth at the Buffalo Round up Art Show this year, but has been assured it can have booth space back next year. Bondy is going to look into ways for one person to set up and take down the booth.
- b. Director of Development – Catherine Forsch
 - i. Development Education Topic
Forsch discussed donor cultivation. Information about how to build relationships with potential donors and a cultivation plan were in each board member’s packet of information. She would like each board member to cultivate 10 individuals as donor this year. She will provide board members with names of potential donors.
- c. 2017 Project Discussions
 - i. Strategic Plan 5 Year Reset
Bondy reviewed the strategic plan, vision and mission prepared by Larry Fuller that was adopted in 2014 to see if it is still relevant.
Lewis asked board members to study the strategic plan in more detail. He would like four people to work with Forsch or Bondy on making changes to the plan. Fuller, Riter and Hall volunteered.



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V. **Adjournment**

Motion by Gatzke, seconded by Teupel, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.