

Minutes: November 25, 2008

Members present: Robert Denslow, Loren Anderson, Keith Voeks, Mary Ellen Brandell, Christine Alwood, Steve Davidson, Sharon Tillman, and Robyn Shepard

Guests: Bill Ruddell, Tom Delia, Nicole Sanders

Approval of October 22, 2008 minutes – Motion by Robert Denslow supported by Loren Anderson

Public Comment: Bill Ruddell

- » Survey reenactment group set up for August
- » Trying to get something for Founder's Day to set in the hall
- » Will work Mary Ellen Brandell

Committee Updates

Historical –

- » Robert had no report tonight
- » Christine forwarded wagon prints to Keith, due to the complexity of the wagon Mount Pleasant High School is unable to make them
- » Keith will ask on Central's campus
- » Oral history is moving more into the school's committee

Schools –

- » Oral history should be done in a couple weeks.
- » Loren put together a preliminary contact sheet of everyone who has committed to helping out and Nicole Sanders is updating it with Mary Ellen – will send list to the committee.
- » Rich will help set up room space .
- » K4 is at Mount Pleasant Graphics 7x11" heavy, spiral book. Two retired teachers put together activities and Mount Pleasant Youth Advisory helped. Possibly put one in the time capsule.
- » Written proposal sent to Isabella Credit Union for 600 savings bonds for 5th grades art contest. Commercial Band donated money for 7 & 8 grade prizes. Morey Foundation donated money for contest winners. Jack Westbrook is putting together timeline for winners – 10 winners over 10 months. Art Reach agreed to judge competitions and are being contacted to see if they will put together a gallery of all contest winners. Maybe PR Central will help too. Discussion of taking pictures of winners to put in time capsule to represent the future leaders.
- » K3 coloring book is almost completed. Robyn and friend turned in activities. Nicole finishing the cover.
- » Mary Ellen's son is providing financial backing for Jack Westbrook's and Nancy White's videos. Jack has put together a new video about each township.
- » Looking for sponsor to donate refreshments for Founder's Day from 3-7p. Discussion of what music and food. Working with Morning Sun on Founder's Day. Nicole is putting together press release.

Event Planning

- » Slow right now, will be more at next meeting. Waiting for Casino to finalize prices for next year. Setting an event planning meeting in mid-December, Steve will send out email.
- » Time Capsule catalog is coming.
- » Tom Delia from Mid Michigan Wood Crafters presented a holder for the banners. Can be made out of pine or cedar, which is better for aging and painting. A cap will be made for the end of

the rod to secure the banners. Cost estimate for the banner holder, including labor, small: \$15.30, medium: \$18.20, large: \$19.70, & extra large: \$23.35. Left sample holder and communication about holders will be done through Clair.

Sharon Tillman:

- » Met with different dance studios. They felt community did not need another dance performance, but wanted to make it a community event. Vision's studio would like to do event during Summerfest that would be Sesquicentennial oriented. Could have a multi-date event to teach older dances. Discussion of dances and dates, possibly series. Also want to include importance of dance and how it was a means for people to come together. Meeting will take place between Sharon, Keith, and Judy to further discuss dance ideas.

Publicity (Nicole)

- » Create press release – will be general format for all releases. They will start being released on December 5th, once a week thereafter. Presented list of media contacts that press releases will be sent to.
- » 104.3 contacted and wants to know more about committee.
- » More flyers and business cards will be put into the public to inform people about beard contest.
- » Met with 150th Committee to make sure both committee are staying consistent with one another. They will be sponsoring a quilt display for Founder's Day.

Fundraising

- » Blankets are in. They cost \$39.99 each. Will have meeting to discuss coffee mugs.
- » Mr. Nitche bought a book and the committee gave him a t-shirt.
- » Keeping track of who donates so we can possible give gifts back to them.
- » Jay's Sporting Goods in Clare is letting us set up booth with all of our stuff. Steve will send out a sign up sheet for people to go up there.

Website

- » Rich unable to make meeting. Nicole will email press release to be posted online.

Treasure

- » \$295 as of right now. Need to find invoice from blanket shipment.
- » We need to work on selling and fundraising.

Intern Report

- » Finished activities for 3rd grade coloring book.
- » Contacting casino to schedule a walk through of the room holding the ball. Will bring ideas for ball next time.

Other Announcements

- » Sharon proposed idea of including veterans in the sesquicentennial, Christine will make contacts.
- » Steve will be decorating the two display cases in the county building sometime next week.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Robyn Shepard