

Sterling-Moorman House Foundation

Thursday, May 24, 2012 5:30 p.m. Utility Building, 112 Anderson Rd.

Attending:

Patricia Chambers
Bettye Hull
Susan Beeman

Michelle Thompson
Scott Wilbanks

Venus Bratsveen
Reed Jessen

1. Call to Order:

Patricia called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the April 26, 2012 meeting were approved with a correction to show that Reed will chair the fundraising committee.

3. Old Business: Membership

Susan suggested expanding Heather's Sterling-Moorman House Foundation brochure to include a tear-off panel which includes a membership form.

4. Old Business: Fundraising

Reed reported that he met with a contractor at the house yesterday for estimates on the work to be done. He expects to have a quote for the construction work in time for our July meeting. Reed explained that his first priority will be to raise the funds needed for the IRS 501 (c)(3) application, approximately \$800.

Reed said that he has a contact at a local marketing company which might be willing to donate some startup funding now with the expectation that we will look to partner with them when it is time to install technology-based education displays at the house. Discussion continued.

Bettye suggested organizing a raffle during the Cheney Jubilee as a fundraiser. She offered to donate several items, including a BBQ, a t-shirt, and a tape measure. Venus offered to put together raffle baskets with tea cups and saucers, tea and honey. Susan will check on rules for operating a raffle and will report back.

5. Old Business: Postcard Survey & Display Boxes

The last of the display boxes were distributed to Foundation members for placement in the community. *Reminder: If you have placed a box with a local business, remember to check for completed cards for follow-up!*

6. New Business: Cheney Jubilee/Rodeo Weekend Activities

Discussion was held on organizing an educational program to present the recently discovered Grover Chambers memoirs. Possible venues: Showalter Hall Auditorium, Cheney Public Library. Patricia will begin working on the program, and may incorporate some of the period music that she used with the 'Music of Mullen Road' program.

7. New Business: Other

Discussion continued on how to organize the construction goals:

Stage 1: Safety & Access

- Stairs at front of house
- Handrails
- Bannister – indoors
- Front porch

Stage 2: Carriage House

- Building shell
- Utility connections
- Plumbing & mechanical systems in main house

Stage 3: Finishes & Amenities

- Wiring & lighting
- Drywall
- Security

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 28, 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Susan Beeman
Secretary