

Sterling-Moorman House Committee

Thursday, August 25, 2011

5:30 p.m.

Utility Building, 112 Anderson Rd.

Attending:

Patricia Chambers

Charlie Mutschler

Scott Wilbanks

Lowell Mock

Fred Pollard

Heather Scholten

Michelle Thompson

Venus Bratsveen

Susan Beeman

1. Call to Order:

Patricia called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and asked participants to introduce themselves, since there were a couple of new faces.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of the minutes from the August 25, 2011 meeting were approved as distributed.

3. Old Business: Vision Statement Development

Patricia reviewed the vision statement development process so far. Several committee members had submitted drafts prior to the meeting, and others brought draft text with them. The committee read through each proposed vision statement, discussed concepts and highlighted language that was liked. The following statement emerged, by consensus, as our draft vision statement:

The Sterling-Moorman House is a rare example of Gothic Revival architecture. This working class residence is carefully preserved and authentically restored. It is a non-profit Living History Center that is a valuable community educational resource where Cheney's history is honored, history is re-enacted and history is made. We seek to provide historic and community experiences that will enrich the lives of the citizens of Cheney and Cheney's visitors.

It was agreed that this statement will be fluid, and we expect that it will change as we further define the mission and operations of this committee and attempt to define how the Sterling-Moorman House will play an active role in the Cheney community.

4. New Business: Establishing the Organization

Susan distributed copies of bylaws from several organizations which have a mission or purpose similar to our own. She asked that we review these prior to our next business meeting and come prepared to work through the draft bylaws, paragraph by paragraph, next time around.

Next Meetings:

Thursday, September 22, 2011, 6:00 p.m. at the Cheney Public Library (Volunteer Recognition Night).

Thursday, October 13, 2011, 5:30 p.m. at the Utility Building (regular monthly meeting).

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Susan Beeman
Acting Secretary