

Sibley County Historical Society
700 Main Street - Henderson, MN 56044
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 23, 2022

President Joy Cohrs called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Board Members present: Holly Harjes, Becky Briggs, Michael Reinhardt, Verne Schlueter, Diane Fredin, Tom Frauendienst, Joy Cohrs; Visitor: Sharon Haggemiller; Absent: Shirley Black

The agenda was presented with several items added. Agenda approved upon a motion by Holly and seconded by Becky .

Secretary's Report: Minutes of May 26, 2022 were approved upon a motion by Diane, seconded by Mike.

Treasurer's Report- The \$49 deposited on June 9, 2022 will be designated as donations rather than admissions. A check received from Sibley East Schools for \$140 discussed; half will be given to J. R. Brown. After Sauerkraut Days, the lawn will not be mowed until rain is received. The Fire Department does not want a key to the building. A motion was made by Holly to accept the report, seconded by Diane.

Old Business:

1. Programs – Judy Loewe not present to discuss changes or additions.
2. Second quarter newsletter – Shirley Black not present to discuss. Diane will email & ask what she needs help with. Museum members look forward to receiving the newsletter.
3. Ann Tracy Exhibit, report by Holly: **The SCHS hosted Ann Tracy's 'A Century of Walking Art' on June 5, 2022. There were 12 board members & volunteers present & two lunch servers. 55 guests as well as 10 small (not registered) children attended. The Museum was open from 12 to 6 p.m. Programming & snacks provided from 1 to 5 p.m. Donations of support received: Bongard's - \$47; Dollar Fresh of Glencoe - \$40; Coborn's from Glencoe - \$20; three (3) signs – in-kind donation; Thrivent Financial (supplies, lunch for workers when Ann was setting up) - \$250.00. Thank you notes have been sent to donors. Ann will return for An Artist's Presentation in August. We have enough left-over treats to serve for that evening. Visitor donations amounted to \$49. There is a balance of \$75 on the Thrivent credit card which will be converted into dollars to use at the local Benders.** Ann will be taking home about 10 of her pictures and will leave the rest through the season. SCHS will be responsible to return the remainder of the pictures to her.
4. Accession binder – Joy purchased a new binder for use at the Museum; Sharon showed us the binder & stated it was good to go.
5. Porch painting – Tom will talk to Dick & get a start date.
6. J. R. Brown building was discussed slightly.

New Business:

1. County Fair Exhibit from August 3 through August 7, 2022 – Holly & Ruth Ann are the chairpersons. It has been decided that the theme will be “Music Through the Years”. All Sibley

County cities will be asked to bring a musical item display. Board members are to respond to Holly whether they can “man” the building during the fair on particular days & time periods.

2. A decision in regard to the alarm system will be discussed later. Currently, the internet is not working.

3. Collection Committee Report by Mike – Mike went through the items that the committee decided to not take, some will be given to the appropriate towns in Sibley County. 1950 toys owned by Leon Stadher were not accepted. A milk can which is not in very good condition is in the basement for now. A postcard by Ann Tracey (with German writing on it) was accepted. Motion to accept report made by Holly, seconded by Tom.

4. The Collections and Deaccession Policy revised in June 2022 by the committee will be tabled to next meeting. Each board member is to read at home & then respond at next meeting with any questions, changes, or additions.

5. Sharon had questions regarding the sale of books, etc. & their prices. The Country Schools book will again be offered at the fair & at the Museum for \$20. Joy has taken another case of the books to be sold in various places.

6. Sharon is currently the Curator of SCHS. She had questioned some of her duties eliminated by Amy when Amy took over as Director of SCHS.

7. Open hours in 2023 will be discussed at a later date as to whether the Museum should be open on Saturdays or Sundays.

8. President Joy will take care of ad to be posted in the Sibley County Shopper. Cost to be close to last year’s cost.

Not discussed: Board Member #9 Recruitment. Tabled to next meeting due to no discussion.

A motion to adjourn at 7 p.m. was made by Mike, seconded by Diane.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Fredin
Acting Secretary

