

Iola Historical Society
Board Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Cliff Mishler at 5:34pm

Present: Cliff Mishler, Tom Fucik, Greg Loescher, Lyle Mork

Absent: Stella Strand, John Bertelson, Doug Watson

Secretary's Report: No Corrections

Motion to approve as distributed: Greg, second by Lyle. Motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve as distributed: Lyle, second by Greg. Motion passed

Cliff reported that the raffle license had arrived and the new number should be used for future raffles. Cliff also brought a letter from TDS that pertains to the internet accounts. Tom will pass the letter to John.

Tom announced that Jerry Jorgenson had donated a 'J&C Wipf Mill' match safe to the Historical Society.

Motion by Tom and second by Lyle to: approve the purchase of the Carbonite backup system for the Society's computer. Motion passed

Some discussion was held regarding the parameters of a raffle for the Taste of Norway. It was agreed to proceed. Cliff asked that each Board member voice their individual assessments and recommendations to the membership.

Motion by Cliff and second by Tom to: recommend to the membership to proceed with a raffle for the Taste of Norway.

A discussion was held regarding prioritizing the goals and projects of the Society. Each member was asked to rank in importance the future projects of the Society. John emailed in his recommendations in absentia. Cliff will take the data collected and regenerate the list and present it at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Greg, second by Tom. Motion passed.

General Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2014

Meeting called to order by President Cliff Mishler at 6:34pm

Twelve members were in attendance and Cliff led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary's Report: No Corrections

Motion to approve as distributed: Joanna Rheingans, second by Donna Hooker. Motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve as distributed: Greg Loescher, second by Sharon Peterson. Motion passed.

President's report:

Cliff reported that during the Board meeting, the Board approved the purchase and installation of a backup system for the Society's meeting. John will be given the information. Cliff also reported that the Board had determined to go ahead with a raffle for the Taste of Norway. Each Board member was then asked to present his assessment of the raffle parameters. The consensus was to proceed with donated prizes only and forgo the purchased prizes. Tickets will be sold for \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Strawberry Fest review: it was estimated for the records that the attendance for the event was around 350. Sharon stated that she liked the layout for the event and found it very workable.

Sharon asked for docents for August and made note of the volunteers.

Taste of Norway: Greg reported that the Chamber had sent out 300 invites to prospective crafters and expected to have no issues getting a full compliment for the event. Gerry Harvancik reported that he is going to manage the Lions food venue for the event this year. He asked if the menu needed tweaking and stated that he is going to get as many supplies and product locally that he can. It was generally felt by most in attendance that we needed to find more 'Lost Arts' presenters for the event.

The launch and associated book signing of the new book about lola Mills was scheduled for Saturday August 9th. Greg will send out a news release. The date was chosen around the availability of descendants of the Wipf family and Chandler families. Author Lyle Mork, Stella Strand, Al and Judy Morey will be in attendance along with current owners Tom and Melody Fucik.

Lyle reported that he, Doug Watson, and Bob Stamstad had made a road trip to the state Historical Society in Madison to visit their Native American Display and get ideas for our own. Lyle then asked to address those in attendance and proceeded to clear up his perception of the misperceptions about his resignation as President. Lyle then proceeded to resign his post as Historian and Vice President.

Motion to adjourn; Tom Fucik, second by Sharon Peterson. Motion passed.