

**Newport Historical Society Board Meeting
June 10, 2013 – 6:30 PM
The NHS Museum – “The Nettleton House”**

1. Call to order at 6:30 PM by President Baird. Members present: Cathryn Baird, Dottie Collins, Jackie Cote, Larry Cote, Jerry Hagebusch, Priscilla Hagebusch, Virginia Irwin, Rita James, Laura Kessler, Dean Stetson and Stan Sweeney.
2. The minutes from the May meeting were distributed, reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurer Jackie Cote reported on the “Accounting Summary” from 5.1.13 – 5.31.13 and the Nettleton House Account Fiscal Year Ending 9.30.13. Report was accepted unanimously and was placed on file.
4. Committee Reports:

A. Fundraising:

Jackie Cote gave a report on behalf of the Fundraising Committee (please see attachment for full report detailing 13 areas).

Regarding #3, the t-shirt design and transfer costs were discussed. A design similar to the buildings on the front of the Celebrating Community book was shown to the group and it was voted to have the image and graphics on either the front or the back of the t-shirt.

Regarding #11, a possible medallion of Sarah Josepha Hale for fundraising purposes. Dean Stetson made the motion to table the medallion idea in favor of an ornament. Stan Sweeney seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

B. Membership: 228 members

C. Museum Committee:

Larry Cote gave a report on behalf of the Museum Committee (please see attachment for full report).

A discussion regarding the quotes to have the building re-roofed took place. At this time Christina recommends Weathercheck, but she would like to get a quote from United Construction. It was decided to resume discussions about this once more information is received.

D. Public Relations, Marketing and Newsletter:

Priscilla shared the publicity binder that she and Dean have created and when information about the NHS is printed in newspapers or other publications.

The next newsletter will be sent out July 15th, in which there will be an inquiry asking for information about Mary Gibson and Chellis.

5. Old Business:

- A. President Baird commended the group on its **A+ efforts** on behalf of the NHS.
- B. **Badges:** The badges are still being worked on.
- C. **Smith Clock Donation:** A template has been built. A date will be arranged for Brent Stocker to bring it in to see if the template will be able to be raised to full height after tilting it to get it through the doorway opening.
- D. **Museum Schedule:** Volunteers are still needed for the summer schedule.
- E. **Defray Transportation Cost:** Logistics for the North Newport/Kellyville walk on 9/15 were discussed. It was decided that a \$2.00 donation to help defray transportation costs will be collected from those wishing transportation back to North Newport from Kellyville.
- F. **Farmers' Market:** The NHS is selling items at the Farmers' Market, which is held Fridays from 3:00 – 6:00 PM. Volunteers are still needed to help at the Society's booth.
- G. **Roof Estimates:** Please see museum committee report.
- H. **Facebook:** The NHS is still interested in creating a Facebook page for the Society. Priscilla is working on this.
- I. **Sign at Ballpark:** The sign with information about the NHS is up at the ballpark. The sign is taken down each winter and then put back up in the spring. The cost for putting it up is \$100.00 annually.

6. New Business

- A. **Auction 6/14:** A motion was made and seconded to allocate up to \$500.00 to purchase an antique oak ice chest for the kitchen at an auction on June 14th. This motion passed unanimously.
- B. **Bacon Graphics/T-shirt Design:** Please refer to fundraising report, letter "A" in minutes.
- C. **Chamber Day, SJH Medallion, Vintage Postcards and New Ornaments:** Please refer to the Fundraising Committee Report for information regarding the Chamber Day event and the other items.
- D. **American Flag and Pole:** Bidy brought up needing an American Flag and flag pole for the Society.

- E. **Signature Event:** A motion was made and seconded to look into planning a “signature event.” This passed unanimously. Members are asked to come to the next meeting with thoughts regarding an event.
7. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 8th at 6:30 PM at the Nettleton House/NHS.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Kessler
Secretary