

HUXLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2019

6:00 pm – Nord-Kalsem Shelter

Meeting called to order at 5:58 pm by President Nels Nord

Attendees - Board Members: Nels Nord, Delila Roberts, Jolene Lettow, Janet Stoll, Richard Sydnes; HHS Members: Diane Cronk, LeRoy Cronk, Darlene Kalsem, Susie Schaudt, Sandi Sydnes

Past Minutes – March minutes submitted by Janet Stoll. There being no changes or corrections MOTION by Delila Roberts, SECONDED by Richard Sydnes to approve March minutes as submitted. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Approved as submitted (see attached bank statements) with MOTION from Delila Roberts, SECONDED by Richard Sydnes. Motion passed.

Old Business

- Annual meeting – nothing further
- Bills – nothing further
- Maland Home
 - Pancake Breakfast – great turnout! Over \$1100 donated and approx. 500 pancakes served
 - Painting Class – Two Sisters Paint Palette of Slater donated all of the proceeds to go towards the upkeep of the Maland Home.
- Story County Historical Alliance meeting – was hosted by Kelley and was well attended.

New Business

- Membership renewal – to simplify the bookkeeping process, all annual memberships will be due in January. If a new membership is received between October and January, it will expire in the following year, not the upcoming year.
- Huxley High Reunion – will be held on Saturday June 8th in the Huxley Safe Room. The Maland Home will be open for tours before the Reunion from 1-3pm. Darlene Kalsem and Donna Millang will be hosting.
- Maland Home
 - Button presentation – Janice Roxberg presented on Thursday, May 2nd and 18 people attended, including Marlys Barker with the Tri-County Times. Marlys wrote a nice piece for the newspaper. Janet sent a thank you, including a copy of the newspaper, and complimentary issues of the Winter & Spring issues of the HHS Newsletter. She'll also receive a Fall and 2020 Winter issue.
 - Blumster's High Tea – date is Wednesday June 19th. There are two seatings, 11am & 1:30pm. We should have seating for 20-24 people at each time. The cost will be \$25.00 per person.
 - The Maland Home will be open for tours before the June Huxley High Alumni dinner from 2pm-3:30 pm
 - The Maland Home has scheduled open house dates this summer. They are Saturday before the Huxley Alumni dinner from 1-3pm; Sunday June 9th 2-4pm; Sunday July 14th 2-4pm; August 11th 2-4pm
 - Yard maintenance
 - Longnecker Lawn Care was hired for weed control. 5 application will be done this year at a total cost of \$229.50.
 - Spring clean-up was hired out to a private contractor. Total cost for 8 hours of service for 3 people at \$25.00 per hour was \$600.00. Discussion about the \$600.00 was held. When the private contractor was hired, total cost for the job was quoted at possible \$200.00-\$300.00. It was a possible misunderstanding that the 3 different people would be at \$25.00 per hour per person, not the job itself at \$25.00 per hour. Secretary Stoll and volunteers will resume doing the yard maintenance.

- A side discussion was then held on the funds coming from the Maland Home account. After much discussion, Stoll made a motion to go from two separate accounts (Maland Home and the Huxley Historical Society) to one account. Discussion was held and Jolene Lettow seconded the motion. Motion passed
- Nord-Kalsem Shelter
 - Landscaping – quote from Hall & Martin from last Fall. They were a no show for this Spring and Nels is unable to reach them. Nels made contact with TNT Landscaping from Ankeny and Landscape by Design from Huxley for quotes.
 - Chairs – additional chairs (36) were purchased for the south half of the shelter at a cost of \$1,053.00
 - Military photo display – Contractor, Chris Phillips, that did work on the shelter was hired to do millwork for the military photo display. Cost for 40 photos was \$405.00. He will be doing millwork for another set of military photos.
 - Discussion on what military photos are displayed. Will they be just Huxley residents, or including people who went to Huxley High and the Ballard School District? Since, Slater, Cambridge, and Kelley have their own historical museums, it was decided the HHS display will be for people who had a Huxley address, in town and country residents.
- Expenses – **see attached bank statements**

Other Business

- Linda McCann will be at the Polk City Library on Wednesday June 26th from 1:30-2:30 for a book signing and presentation. From Polk City Library's invitation "Iowa housed about 25,000 German, Italian, and Japanese prisoners of war from 1943-1946. These were men captured and brought to the U.S. during World War II. Algona and Clarinda were the main camps in Iowa, and there were about 17 branch camps where the POWs did summer and fall work. Linda was able to speak with people who worked with or had gotten to know the prisoners, and shares their memories."

Next HHS Meeting: June 24, 2019 6:00 pm, Nord-Kalsem Shelter

MOTION made by Jolene Lettow, SECONDED by Richard Sydnes to adjourn meeting at 6:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Stoll, HHS Secretary