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Greene County Historical Society Board Meeting Minutes

9 December 2019

Mustang Conference Room, Library Station, Springfield, Missouri

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Attending – Michael Bohlen, Ken Chumbley, Mara Cohen Ioannides, Angie Piercy, Darrin Rodgers, John Schmalzbauer, Erin Smithers

- I. Call to Order: 5:15 PM
- II. Update on financings
 - a. Schmalzbauer summarized financial situation (see meeting agenda), suggested that we may need to explore new revenue streams.
- III. Proposed Baseball meeting
 - a. Schmalzbauer contacted Hammonds Field.
 - i. Suite is rather expensive, however, Bohlen suggested that we might simply reserve seating in the outfield.
 - b. Discussion ensued about connecting the event to the recently published *Joe DiMaggio Moves Like Liquid Light: Poems* by Loren Broaddus.
 - i. Cohen Ioannides suggested including McIntyre.
 - ii. Schmalzbauer suggested Giglio.
 - c. Might look into holding meeting prior to game and charter bus to stadium. Schmalzbauer will look into other packages.
 - d. June cited as an optimal time to hold the event.
- IV. Smither suggested a trivia night.
 - a. Could be held at History Museum, perhaps, after the spring meeting in March or April.
- V. Spring Meeting
 - a. Foster and Knapp have been contacted about potentially doing a presentation about the African-American Heritage Trail.
 - b. It was suggested that the meeting might be held in the meeting space in Lincoln HS and that a tour of selected sites on the trail be organized, utilizing a charter bus.
 - i. It was decided the no meeting could be held on last weekend of March, due to scheduling conflicts.
- VI. Cohen Ioannides asked about progress on the Encyclopedia.
 - a. Asked to see author guidelines.
 - i. Would like to approach Brooks Blevins to connect with potential student authors.
- VII. Elections.
 - a. No vacancies were identified.
 - b. The treasurer's position is appointed annually according to the bylaws.
 - i. The board unanimously reappointed Angie Piercy.

- VIII. Fellowship.
 - a. A continued dearth of applicants for the GCHS Student Fellowship was noted.
 - i. Notices will be sent out, including contacting Anne Baker.
- IX. Fund raising.
 - a. Cohen Ioannides suggested doing walking tours to raise funds. Bohlen noted that recent tours conducted by the Missouri Humanities Council and advertised on GCHS platforms received considerable response.
 - i. Cohen Ioannides expressed willingness to do a Jewish History tour and suggested that Liz Sobel might be able to do some cemeteries.
 - ii. Smither might be able to put together Cobra Scare Tour.
 - iii. Board could contact Richard Crabtree about putting together a tour.
 - iv. Rodgers suggested that a tour examining the Catholic population might be interesting.
 - v. Some discussion about a Wayne Glenn music walking tour.
- X. VII. Adjourn: 7:00 pm; proposed by Schmalzbauer, seconded by Cohen Ioannides, approved by unanimously consent.

Submitted for review,
MICHAEL WILLIAM BOHLEN
GCHS SECRETARY

Approved: 22 June 2020