

Old Northwest Military History Association

Business Meeting Date: 05/05/2022

Members in Attendance: Mitchell Bruning, Susan Cayton, Tim Drill, Martin Land, Tamia Land, A.J. Parks, Ashley Philipot, Billie Szymanski, Tony Szymanski, John Thompson

Online Attendees: Dennis Bova

Members Excused: Lynn Bova, Lili Clark, Dan Coutcher, Erin Potts, Gavin Redding, Jacque Redding, Jey Redding, Nolan Redding, Beth Rudecki, Randy Rudecki, Angela Strous, Tom Strous, Dan Wilkins Mike Waskul

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

It was moved and seconded to accept the previous meeting's minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Officer's Reports

President's Report, Jey Redding: Marty reported that Jey and Jacque are absent tonight because Jacque had gallbladder surgery yesterday. No updates on her condition.

Treasurer's Report, Marty Land: Account balances at the end of last month were:

Checking:	\$4,756.25
Petty Cash:	481.65
Savings:	<u>109,979.16</u>
Total:	\$115,217.06

There was income of \$95 from dues. Monies were spent on non-interpretive expenses (refrigerator and grill, \$2303.69), interpretive expenses (garden & blacksmith tongs, 285.50), training (conference, \$242.50), donations (\$1850), and the clothing conference (\$99.11).

Membership Coordinator's Report, Tim Drill: No report.

Secretary's Report, Tamia Land: Record your hours on the ONMHA website.

Special Events Coordinator's Report, Billie Szymanski: Billie posted a sign-up sheet for First Siege. To help with planning, please add your name, what days you will be there, and what your interpretation will be.

We have 55 participants, with 33 men-at-arms registered for First Siege. Registrations continue to come in.

Marty moved and Tamia seconded that we spend up to \$1000 for food for First Siege. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Military Committee, Marty Land: First Siege needs as many soldiers as possible for the event. Sign up as soon as possible.

Civilian Committee, Billie Szymanski: Sign up for First Siege.

Support Committee, John Destatte: No report. The bake oven still needs repair.

Communications Committee, Tamia Land: Let Tamia (onmha@onmha.org) know if you are having any trouble with the website or if you aren't receiving ONMHA emails.

Staff Update

John introduced Katie Nowakowski, the new Manager of Operations. She started 4/27/2022 is working hard to learn the site. Katie is from Sylvania and received a master's degree in history from BGSU.

Larry Nelson visited the site today for the anniversary of Dudley's Massacre. He also dropped off some history files.

The first lantern tour was well attended by public and volunteers. The next tour is Saturday 6/25/2022. Let John know if you can help.

We may not have music for First Siege. John is still trying to contact the musicians.

We will be holding a tavern night for the Saturday night of the Napoleonic Event (6/18/2022). John has several ideas if you want to help.

John asked if ONMHA is interested in providing concessions for the upcoming Military War games. Only one member was interested.

John will review the site safety procedures following the meeting. A copy will be uploaded to the website when available.

Discussions

Old Business: The garden club will make the announcement on Monday 5/9/2022 about the decision on the grant award.

New Business: Billie moved, and Tim seconded, to donate \$200 for supplies for the Toledo VA for homes for homeless vets.

Announcements: Susan Cayton has offered to give instructions on spinning, weaving, and dying for any members interested in demonstrating at the fort.

John notified us about an open house put on by the Western Lake Erie Historical Society on Tuesday, May 17th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. It will be held at the IBC (I-75 Business Center) at Phillips & Detroit. There will be a display of artifacts related to the sailing and shipping industries in Western Lake Erie.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tamia Land, Secretary