

**MANFRED HISTORY AND PRESERVATION, INC.
MANFRED MUSEUM- SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

Board members present:

Rose Anderson
Esther Boese
Verna Bowers
Richard Melchert
Pam Norstedt
Audrey Solheim
Ruth Widiger
Lewis Weigelt

Wanda Melchert-Museum Director

Others in attendance: Wesley Boese, Wesley Gross and Judy Weigelt

Call to order: Audrey called the meeting to order. Eight board members, Museum Director, and three others were in attendance. A copy of the following reports were given to each attendee: agenda, minutes of April 29, 2012, treasury report, museum, corporate, education, museum director and historian; oral report on contributions. Audrey also brought greetings from Danielle Stuckle.

Secretary's Report: Printed copy of April 29, 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Richard reported a checking account balance on 3/31/12 of \$6,142.16, income of \$2,061.79, expenses totaling \$1,847.33, leaving a balance in checking account of \$6,356.62 on 9/29/12. Beginning balance in savings of \$12,735.25 on 3/31.12 and ending balance of \$12,746.57 on 6/30/12. Report was filed for audit. Judy and Lewis were appointed to do the auditing.

Contributions: Verna reported balance of \$3,130.00 on April 2012 and income of \$1,333.00, totaling \$4,463.00 on September 30, 2012. Subscriptions for newsletters totaled 112 to date.

Museum, buildings and grounds: Pam reported 1408 hrs. volunteer staffing and work on various projects; 113 visitors at the Museum.

Corporate, Education: Grants were in short supply this year. We were awarded one grant through Preservation North Dakota for the portico over the front entrance of the school. Audrey and Pam unfurled four poster panels for our viewing. Panels were made by Preservation North Dakota and featured at the PND conference. The panels depicted past grants for the Vang Lutheran Church, Manfred School, Johnson/Ostrem House and Hotel Johnson and were given to MHP. Inc. following the conference. Wanda mentioned many unfinished projects as grants and time come together.

Historian's Report: Audrey reported on various people with connections to Manfred. It made for very interesting reading.

Other Business: We discussed the new rules that take place in January of 2013 regarding bulk mailing of newsletters. The weight of paper used, increase in costs for mailing and desire to find the least costly way to get our newsletters delivered. Pam made a motion to send a note along with our next newsletter, inquiring as to the feasibility of sending some by e-mail. Seconded by Ruth. Carried.

Pam motioned to plan an open house for local business appreciation and set a date in June to be decided later. Judy seconded. Motion carried.

Ruth motioned to continue with 3 meetings each year as stated in our by-laws. Verna seconded. Motion carried. Pam and Verna will serve on the nominating committee.

The museum will open on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 season. First meeting tentatively scheduled for April 28th.

Audrey adjourned the meeting and lunch was served by Museum/Grounds Division.

Secretary,

Esther Boese