

Historic Carter House Society Inc.
Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2013

Vickie Robinson, President, called to order the meeting of Historic Carter House Society Inc (HCHS) held at 30325 Carter Cemetery Road, Springfield, LA at 2:10 PM.

Attendance: Vickie Robinson, Linda Simoneaux, Wanda Loupe, Beverly Burgess, Carolyn Szabados; quorum met.

Old Business

1. Motion passed to approve board meeting minutes from January 24, 2013 meeting.

New Business

1. QUILT TRAIL
 - a. Carolyn Szabados presented color sketch of quilt to be submitted with application
 - b. Beverly suggested that she add touch of gray to columns at front of house
 - c. Stair risers will be white trimmed in red
 - d. Estimate of total cost \$400.00
 - e. Beverly will prepare application and deliver to Carolyn with \$50.00 check to process
 - f. Linda prepared down-payment check of \$150.00 for Carolyn to purchase supplies and begin work
2. BRIDAL EXPO
 - a. Expo at Carter unsettled. Vickie will stay in touch with Denise Jackson as well as other vendors to keep apprised of upcoming events in Albany (new facility) and Baton Rouge (03/24/13)
 - b. Application for Two Belles event was declined due to limits on like vendors. Wanda will contact to have check returned.
3. FACEBOOK/ADVERTISING
 - a. Shelley Simmons was unavailable for this meeting. Unsure of status.
 - b. Wanda will have CoCo investigate adding HCHS to suggested hyperlinks
 - c. Vickie will mail brochures/fee schedule to photographers and locate suitable photographs to prepare DVD for future shows
 - d. Beverly will investigate Wedding Magazine for possible ads and/or articles
 - e. Vickie has not had response from Country Roads
4. FINANCE
 - a. Linda submitted current statement: balance as of 1/31/13 was \$5,375.24. Wrote two checks for quilt project totaling \$200.00. Received checks to deposit for engagement picture photo shoot and Feneck pool house rental
 - b. Sharon Lietzke will ask Jan Pretus to prepare 2012 Income Tax Return. May be eligible for short form return & E-filing
5. GRANTS
 - a. Vickie sent email requesting information from CDD after meeting with Mr. Varnado of Office of Cultural Development. He doesn't think we will receive grant because is not >falling down.= Beverly took issue stating that we have many roof leaks, particularly around chimneys and that is causing mold/mildew in several rooms. If not address will cause severe damage/rot. Beverly would like to meet with him if he can visit tomorrow. Grant request due 3/8/13. Even if we apply, we won't know anything until probably August, 2013. Monies are federal from National Park Service. We have to match. Beverly thinks repairs could run as high as \$10-\$20,000.00. We had planned to finish back of house first, but this may take priority.
 - b. need to revise list of needs from our projection in 2011-12
 - c. need to have roof inspected to get estimate asap. Some shingles are missing and/or broken
 - d. grant for water - Heather doesn't know status. During meeting, representative from Claude Penn came by to locate electrical so that >grinder= can be installed for Carter House and Pool House. Beverly offered assistance locating equipment.
 - e. Amerigroup grant - will be 2-3 months before we hear anything
 - f. Ameriprise grant - Vickie investigated and we do qualify. She will check with them on 3/18 of 3/19. Deadline is 5/15/13.

- g. Civil War & Battle of Blood River - Beverly talked with Kenneth. He is more interested in 2015. We can still apply. All of last year=s were paid out. Since we have more urgent needs, maybe this will be put off.
- 6. MEMBERSHIP
 - a. Added three new members, but lost fifteen others, for a net loss of twelve.
 - b. Wanda will email reminder along with flyers for upcoming events
- 7. FUND RAISERS
 - a. Scavenger hunt - 2/23/13
 - 1) Linda will purchase & prepare >surprise box= for raffle. Will include two movie tickets, popcorn, drinks & candy
 - 2) Vickie will wrap
 - 3) Wanda will send reminder email & advise participants to arrive 30 minutes early for registration/check-in
 - b. St. Patrick=s Day Parade - 3/17/13
 - 1) Wanda will contact Head Start to advise
 - 2) Vickie will contact area elementary, middle & high school
 - 3) suggestion to have Irish stew along w/sandwiches
 - 4) Linda will contact Justine @ taste of Bavaria to provide sandwiches, Vickie will help w/costs
 - 5) Vickie & Beverly will provide desserts
 - 6) Wanda will locate >green beer= vendor
 - c. Engraved Brick Sale - ongoing
 - 1) Beverly provided article from SLU Alumni to investigate process
 - 2) discussed >quick fixes= for upcoming Munding wedding. Pressure wash, mulch, color for fountain and/or gazing ball, statue topper. Linda Munding offered to help with labor/expenses.
 - d. I-12 Flea Market
 - 1) (73) 10'x10' covered spaces available @ \$30/day or \$45/weekend, \$4/day for electrical connection.
 - 2) open every weekend 7 AM to 6 PM. Concessions available
 - 3) newspaper advertising costs \$15 for 2 days, 2 lines
 - 4) would need additional tables, boxes and at least 2 people to man booth
 - 5) Wanda will call and check availability of booth for 04/20-21/13
- 8. OTHER
 - a. Beverly requested permission to begin work on window treatments (blue or purple).
 - b. Vickie offered new panels
- 9. NEXT MEETING
 - a. scheduled for Tuesday, 03/19/13 at 2 PM

Vickie adjourned meeting