

Presto Preservation Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2018

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Absent: Bob, Seth, and Jared
 - B. Attendees: Becky, Megan, Ginger, Wendy, Kathy, Betsy, Debbie, Joel, Emma, Charlie, and Rick
- II. Approval of Minutes (August 12, 2018) – Approved.
- III. Financial
 - A. Financial Report (Wendy Reid Pratt)
 - 1. Reviewed account balances in previous email to board. Nothing out of the ordinary. Motion to approve the financial report was approved.
 - B. Interest-Bearing Accounts (Wendy Reid Pratt) – Tabled
 - 1. Tabling maintained.
 - C. Douglass Reid Estate
 - 1. Estate is officially closed.
 - D. Fiscal-Year Audit (Wendy Reid Pratt and Kathy Christiansen)
 - 1. Completed.
- IV. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Morrisite Presentations (Rick Just)
 - 1. Boise Community Education program. Next presentation will be in February 2019.
 - B. *Presto Press* (Rick Just)
 - 1. Thanksgiving issue will feature military veterans in the family. Stories and photos requested of all who wish to share.
 - C. *Ancestry.com* (Rick Just/Kathy Christiansen)
 - 1. Rick recommends continuing to use as needed. Still a helpful resource for our purposes. New criminal records available.
 - D. Membership Committee (Emma Just and Charlie Just)
 - 1. Emma has updated all membership records received from the 2018 reunion. Emma is working to follow up with unpaid members. Will follow up via USPS hard copy letters and keep track of expenses for PPA reimbursement.
 - 2. Emma will also try to get email addresses for anyone who doesn't have one on file.
 - 3. PPA Board Members should follow up with Emma if they make contact with anyone who either hasn't paid or who hasn't submitted their email address so she can update records.
 - E. Donor Recognition (Merle Clark/Debbie Reid-Oleson) – Tabled.
 - 1. On-Site Recognition of Donors – Donor Levels
 - 2. *Statement of Purpose* for Non-House Donations
 - F. *Mission, Vision and Goals* (Kathy Christiansen/Betsy Just/Debbie Reid-Oleson/Seth Pratt)
 - 1. Tabled, but due by February 2019 meeting.
 - 2. Most recent draft is copy from June 2018.
 - 3. Wendy will follow-up with Seth and forward to the Board for approval via email, then Rick will publish a draft in the next edition of the *Presto Press*.
 - G. Sesquicentennial 2020 (Debbie Reid-Oleson (Chairman), Ginger Reid/Becky Davis/Rick Just)

1. More progress soon, as event gets closer. Expect more updates this winter.
- H. Bingham County Historical Society
 1. Donation of *Lost Letters* (Rick Just/Kathy Christiansen) - Completed
 2. Digitizing/Cataloging/On-Line - Photographs and Documents (Rick Just)
 - Inventory photos – Rick is on this.
- I. Printing of Cookbooks (Christy Reid)
 1. Tabled
- J. *Conflict of Interest Statements* (Signatures)
 1. Board members must send in if they have not yet.
- K. Bingham County Postmasters (Rick Just)
 1. Interested in looking on furniture to find date or information about where/when it was made; Becky will follow-up.
- V. NELS AND EMMA HOUSE RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION:
 - A. House Restoration Committee (Debbie Reid-Oleson/Betsy Just/Becky Davis)
 1. On-Site Co-Chair: Becky Davis
 2. Updates on the house restoration(s):
 - First window was installed and photos emailed to Board; the concrete windowsill was sealed and not wrapped; Becky will follow-up with Martin Phillips to repair interior window frame and masonry.
 - Joel Just will mail a check for total price of the window, when all work is done, to PPA Treasury and agrees to continue with payment for full project.
 - Question was raised about whether or not the windows need to open; discussion ensued regarding the need for ventilation; it was agreed that windows do not need to open; Debbie will follow-up with Johnson Brothers to redesign windows.
 - Need information on French drain project; Becky will consult with Fred Walters and seek cost estimates. Betsy's neighbor has agreed to look at the project. The lawn will require landscaping to reduce grade toward porch.
 - B. Brick & Mortar Restoration/Grant/Contract
 1. Sealant (Rick Just/Debbie Reid-Oleson)
 - Board agrees to not pursue this.
 2. Interior Wall Repairs – East Wall (Debbie Reid-Oleson)
 - Rick will refer to Julie of the *Idaho Heritage Trust*, who has done similar brick sourcing work in the region. She seems interested in working, possibly voluntarily, on this project. The Committee is looking for matching bricks and will need to determine the number required for the project.
 - Becky and Wendy obtained sand samples from four locations on the Blackfoot River for evaluation by the *Idaho Heritage Trust*.
 3. Story of Masonry (Rick Just) – Tabled.
 4. *Idaho Heritage Trust* Grant Applications - Rick has submitted a grant request for Phase III of Brick and Mortar Restoration.
 - C. Window Restoration
 1. Installation of "Family Sponsor" Plaques – Tabled.
 - D. Pump Organ Certificate (Becky Davis) – Completed.
 - E. House Inventory (Christy Reid/Becky Davis/Betsy Just/Merle Clark) – Tabled.
 - F. Map Display at Bingham County Courthouse (Debbie Reid-Oleson) – Tabled.
 - G. Windmill Blades (Jared Reid)
 - Work in progress, no discussion necessary today.
 - H. Porch/Foundation Repair and/or Restoration (see above)
 - I. *Idaho Heritage Trust* House Tour (10/29/2018) (Rick)

- Ginger, Debbie, Wendy, Kathy, and Betsy to attend/host.
- J. Fund-Raising Chairman – skipped this, but consider creating/filling this position in the future.
- K. Fence (Debbie Reid-Oleson/Bob Reid/Wendy Reid Pratt) – Tabled.
- L. Idaho Historical Society Grants – Interpretive Panels (Rick Just/Cindy Telford/Gerry Becker) – Tabled.
- M. Return Log Barn to Original Site at House (Becky Davis)
 - Justin Oleson will be approached to be project manager; the barn will require a permanent foundation at the new location.

VI. GOALS:

- A. Book of “Emma” (Merle Clark/Rick Just)
- B. Emma Journals (Merle Clark/Rick Just)

VII. 2019 REUNION:

- A. Venue Change/Catered Meal
 1. Kathy will start looking into the cost of hosting/catering the reunion.
- B. Chairpersons: Betsy Just//Debbie Reid-Oleson - ?
- C. Noon Meal: Betsy Just/Christy Reid/Sharen Lyon - ?
- D. Sunday Breakfast
 1. Consider hosting breakfast out at the ranch house or at a restaurant for 2019. If at ranch, either make an easier breakfast spread like simple pastries and coffee instead of more elaborate meal. If typical ranch breakfast is preferred, consider making Board and other members sign up to help with setup of furniture and/or cook food. Goal for 2019 reunion *and* breakfast is to reduce burden of hosting and setup, for those who usually work to put on the event, before the big reunion in 2020.
 2. Board will table until February 2019 meeting. In that time, “someone” will explore restaurant options in Blackfoot or Idaho Falls.
- E. Basket Raffle/Silent/Live Auctions/Fund-Raising (Seek Coordinator)
 1. Brent Cotton Painting
 - Brent is okay with making reproductions of the painting; Ginger will follow-up.
 2. Dishtowel Photos (Betsy Just)
 - Group likes these
 3. Mabel Hutchinson Prints
 - Rick presented cost estimates; copyright laws are not applicable per Rick.
 4. Rick suggested making prints of the Nels and Emma Just Home to sell as a fund-raising effort.
 5. Debbie proposed t-shirts with a printed family tree to sell as a fund-raising effort.
- F. “Feature” Family – Tabled.
- G. Plastic Recycling versus Paper Cups
 1. Revisit closer to the reunion.
- H. Activities: Young Adults and Kids (Betsy Just/Charlotte Reid) - ?
- I. Open House - ?
 1. 2018 Committee: Betsy Just (Chairman), Debbie Reid-Oleson/Rick Just/Ginger Reid/Becky Davis/Bob Reid/Charlotte Reid
- J. Walk/Run – Wolverine Canyon (Charlie Just)/Historical Tour – Emma’s Mail Route
 1. Will continue this activity and will revisit time/date and route closer to 2019 reunion.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Museum of Idaho – *Way Out West* (Kathy/Rick)
 1. Kathy and Rick will submit stories for Nels and Emma Just and “Irrigation”;

Wendy proposed a "handcart" story.

- IX. BOARD ACTIONS/INFORMATION:
 - A. Appointment to Board – Jared Reid (One-Year Term)
- X. CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION
- XI. NEXT BOARD/ANNUAL MEETING: February 23, 2019
- XII. ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by,
Charlie Just