

Whitman County Historical Society Board Meeting

Feb. 21, 2024

Pullman Depot Heritage Center

The executive board met with the Depot steering committee at 6 pm.

Board members present: Kathy Meyer, Pat Flansburg, Denise Mahnkey, Donna Potts, Krista Boyd, Val Gregory, Mark Clinton, Janet Barstow. Attending via ZOOM Carol Larson, Jon Anderson and Linda Hackbarth.

Guest John-Mark Mahnkey, Debbie Sherman, Ryan Hamilton, Bob Lothspeich.

Endowment trustees Ryan Hamilton and Bob Lothspeich presented the portfolio analysis and answered questions. Summarized, the endowment fund has increased by about 6% annually for several years. Stocks in the portfolio are chosen for their dividend-paying performance.

Kathy Meyer moved, Donna Potts seconded to approve the consent agenda. Passed.

Old business: Allison Munch Rotolo was chosen as Volunteer of the Year. The award will be presented at an appropriate Depot event, details to be announced.

New business: An anonymous donation of \$30,000 has been received, designated for exterior painting and porch repair of the Perkins House. An additional donation is also possible. The current Perkins House coordinator is not available to be project manager. Mark, Val and Krista will pursue this matter as soon as possible. Arrangements also have to be made to take down and store Christmas decorations.

The Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Saturday, June 15 from 1-3 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held at the Perkins House March 20.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Barstow, secretary

March 10, 2024

The board met at 6 p.m. for a 10 minute meeting via ZOOM for the purpose of approving a bid for the Depot window and door restoration project.

Board members present were: Linda Hackbarth, Carol Larson, Mark Clinton, Donna Potts, Denise Mahnkey, Janet Barstow and Val Gregory.

After reviewing all bids, and the Restoration Committee researching the companies' experience and availability, the Steering Committee recommended the bid of \$129,832 (plus tax) presented by

DePaulo's Painting Co. in Spokane. Other bids were received from: Prime Sash of Bellingham \$404,572; Chosen Windows of Oregon City \$224,366; Legacy Renovations of Tacoma \$385,600; and Bear Wood of Lakewood, \$327,575.

The board unanimously accepted the Steering Committee's recommendation to accept the bid from DePaulo's Painting in Spokane.