

The Heritage Network

General Membership Meeting

April 15, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 at the Learning Center of the Stevens County Historical Society Museum in Colville, WA. Present were Joe Barecca, Janet Thomas, Kathy Berrigan, Sue Richart, Melinda Lee, Susan Dechant, Karen Struve, Jackie Franks, Don McLaughlin, Jo Nullet, Karen Meyers, Bill Sebright, De Pelan, Russ Larsen, and Grady Knight.

March Minutes: Motion made by Bill and Susan seconded to approve minutes with the change of the spelling of De's last change. Motion carried. Later noted that Hubbel was also misspelled so a note was made.

Financial Report: As attached. Total funds 6025.42

Preserve America: Joe Reported on his portion of the project centered on the oral histories at SCHS and the Little Pend Oreille Wildlife Refuge. Sue followed with a report of her activities. They are working on a special piece of equipment to aide in the scanning of negatives. She is also working with various organizations. 1892-1897 newspapers from Pat Graham were scanned. Sue and Joe will be presenting the Washington Museum Association convention in Seattle regarding adding meta-data to photographs.

The recognition dinner for volunteers was discussed. Joe has arranged for a potlatch potluck. The date is April 27th at the basement of Colville Library. Invited is anybody who is interested or has been involved.

By-laws change: The change was read a second time. Motion by Sue and seconded by Jackie. Motion carried.

Mail: Questions came up about how our mail is handled. It is difficult given the treasure has to travel to get it. One item got delayed. He questioned how it is handled. Karen has been picking things up for Sue and then letting her know what has come. Issues of timeliness come up if we fix it by leaving things in the Post Office. Given that it was a one-time thing it was decided to continue as is until there is a future problem.

Ferry County Rail-Trail Concept Plan: There is a group in Ferry County working on this as a future attraction. They want to capture the old railroad bed as a trail.

Themes: Loon Lake has proposed that the first "theme" be schools. Discussion about themes was held. The thought was that perhaps the theme subjects should be broader. Schools, commerce, recreation, agriculture, transportation, and organizations (including military) were decided as the subjects for a six year plan. The order is, Schools 2013, organizations 2014, transportation 2015, agriculture 2016, recreation 2017, and commerce 2018. Sue made a motion

that this order be accepted with the notion that the order can be changed to meet member needs. Susan seconded and motion carried.

The MAP: This was discussed. De will update the map. De moved and Bill seconded that we submit an application for County Lodging Tax money in the amount of \$1,000 for printing brochures and maps, motion carried.

Don McLaughlin: Presentation about the Colville Indian Agency Cabin and his research project from the grant THN gave him. Copies of his material will be available to THN members.

Next meeting: The place for the next meeting will be Chewelah at City Hall on May 21st.

Chewelah Library Foundation: Having a fundraiser May 12. **Volunteers needed:** SCHS needs more volunteer tour guides.

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