

The Heritage Network

Board Meeting

July 18, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Joe Barreca at the Kettle Falls Historical Center.

In attendance: Brandon Cadwell from NPS joined the Network, Bill Sebright, Joe Barreca, Susan Dechant, Sue Richart, Kathy Berrigan and Janet Thomas, Secretary.

Minutes of the last meeting: Susan Moved and Sue seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Location of the next meeting: First choice is Northport, second choice Valley and the back up location is the museum in Colville. NPS would be another possible meeting place but not until November.

Financial Report: Sue terminated one of the accounts at Key Bank due to the fees charged. A membership list was distributed to the group. Sue renewed THN membership to the three organizations.

Tours: Joe wrote a grant application for Lodging Tax monies for NEWSTART. They would be the grantee and THN could apply to them for part of it.

Joe is still researching sites for tours. He is seriously looking at TEDD's idea. Park Service is partnering with Spokane Historical for their tours where there will be two tours, one at Fort Spokane and the other is the towns flooded by the lake.

Indian Agency Cabin: The cabin is on the foundation. The windows and doors are not in. The asbestos needs to be removed from the ceiling. As soon as the debris is moved from the grounds the exterior lighting can be installed.

Sue secured the John Simms application for a homestead. More research will be done on the subject.

Simms/Winans Papers: No more new news. Sue is putting the Simms Papers in chronological order.

Great Northern Railroad Convention: Details are getting in order for their tour through our area.

Around the table:

NEWS: The fall conference will have a speaker from the National Archives in Seattle. They are also celebrating their 35th anniversary,

Susan has been keeping a scrapbook of historical things in the area for the past 10 years. There was agreement, though no motion, to keep it in the cupboard in the museum in Colville both as an archive and a resource if members need to use it. Wonderful job Susan.

Sue: The scanner from the Simms papers is available and Sue suggested that it should go to the SCHS. It seemed a good idea by the group although no vote was taken.

Brandon/NPS: He indicated that Park Service has a huge photo collection and it would be available for people to have and to use. There is a new archaeologist acting. Justin Eichelberger has a PhD and it is hoped that he could stay here. Brandon informed the group that some of their artifacts are kept in the archives in Spalding, Idaho.

Clayton/Deer Park: This month there will be both Brickyard Days and the Old Settlers Picnic. The honored citizen passed away before the parade so they are up in the air as to what to do about that.

There is an old building in Deer Park that the new owner wants to get it on the National Register and perhaps a performing arts area where there was a theater many years ago.

The eagle is getting its yearly checkup after the repair last year.

Pokemon: Brandon showed interested members how Pokemon Go works.

Kettle Falls Historical Center: They have updated their displays. They had a quilt show recently and will have an art contest soon.

History Dollar: Kathy stayed at the Tukwila Marriot Hotel and she described the historic photographs there which generated discussion about various buildings

NPS: They are doing an historical event on Mission Point. One of the vignettes will be from the perspective of David Thompson. It will be an evening event. September 17th will be the date and it will start about dusk. It will be lit by lanterns along the trail.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 with the members invited to see the updated displays..