

Minutes of the Executive Board of the Pullman Civic Organization
February 12, 2020

Present: Wyatt Ollestad, Debbie Newman, Jim Bosman, Lorraine Brochu, Tom McMahon, Lynne Collins, Megan Lydon, Mike Shymanski, Fernando Rosique (non-voting)

President Ollestad convened meeting at 7:35 pm at the Lowden-Miller Center.

Minutes of the January board meeting were read, with slight amendment to read the "membership chair" (not chairs).

Treasurer's Report (Jim Bosman): Opening balance 1/1/2020 \$37,117.47 Closing balance 1/31/2020: \$44,159.87

Standing and ad hoc Committee reports:

- Membership (Fernando Rosique): Discussion on when to begin drive, April or May.
- Beman (Debbie Newman): announced Façade Program applications are available in hard copy and on website.
- Hospitality (Wyatt Ollestad): noted that a cake will be available for general membership meeting.
- Community Improvement (W.O.): Wyatt will follow up with Andy Morgen about setting a date for Clean and Green.
- Safety (Tom McMahon): reported that Chicago Police are aware of The Factory's Strip Fest this weekend and has met with its owners to discuss potential safety issues.
- Communications (WO) noted that our website was transferred successfully to new hosting service but needs some content updates.
- Audit (Jim Bosman): reported that the audit was held on Feb. 3 and no irregularities were found.
- Black History Month (Lynne Collins): reminded members of last of three events, Black Cowboys in the Wild West.

Affiliate group reports:

- Garden Club (DN): reminded board of next lecture, Calumet Outdoors, on Feb. 23rd.
- Choir (Mike Shymanski): announced concert on April 25 at Greenstone Church.
- HPF (MS): announced Joe Szabo as new Foundation president.
- NPS (MS): announced new superintendent, Terry Gage.
- State Site (WO): is still attempting to obtain status report from Site personnel.

Old business:

- Pullman Picnic: discussion on current plans
- Labor Day: permits have been pulled and planners will convene soon.
- 5th Anniversary of Pullman National Monument: discussion of celebration details, Feb. 19. After some necessary business, a vote to suspend usual business will be entertained.

New business and announcements:

- Motion: to approve adding Beverly Ash-Larson and Ellen Kaulig to Nominating Committee. m/s/p
- Tom Shepherd recommended to receive certificate of appreciation for role in Black History events
- Debbie Newman volunteered to run Split-the-Pot.
- Viviana Gentry volunteered to serve as block captain for ZD3E.
- CJ Martello, with approval of the board, shall serve as chair for Veterans and Memorial Day ad committee.
- Discussion on sales at PCO meetings.
- Past members of the Pullman Vision Committee will be invited to future board meeting to discuss their ideas of follow-up the committee's work.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Submitted,
Lorraine Brochu, Secretary