

## **Notes of the General Membership of the PCO – October 20, 2021**

President Smith convened the meeting at 7:48, a quorum not having been established.

Guest Julian Jackson, newly appointed Executive Director of the Historic Pullman Foundation, introduced himself and his role in the Foundation to the assembly.

Secretary reported that the Draft September General Membership and October Executive Minutes had been posted in advance online; there being no corrections, additions, or deletions requested.

Treasurer reported an Opening Balance of \$36,939.73 and a Closing Balance of \$35,865.99 for the month of September, broken up as follows: Operating: \$21,011.46; Façade: \$9,808.20; Kirtchner: \$1,614.23; Savings: \$3,432.10. The report will be filed for audit. Further, the Treasurer reported an Opening balance of \$22,262.14 and a Closing balance of \$21,874.48 for the House Tour Fund.

The annual PCO Budget was presented to those gathered, with subsequent discussion. No changes to the Budget as presented were requested.

Membership Committee reported that there are 279 members to date.

Beman Committee reminded those gathered that the Application and Guidelines for its Façade Reimbursement Program for 2022 will be available November 1-December 31, both online and at 11307 S. Saint Lawrence.

Education Committee reported that the LSC would be meeting tomorrow, and that the hope is that whatever archival materials Pullman Elementary might have in their basement could be donated to the PCO once the school undertakes its forthcoming cleaning.

Welcome Committee reported that 10 welcome bags have recently been prepared, and neighbors who are aware of any new residents are encouraged to notify the Welcome Committee so bags can be given to them.

Community Improvement Committee reported that the streetlights on the 113<sup>th</sup> and 114<sup>th</sup> blocks of Champlain are back on, and that a request is currently in to get the lights along Cottage Grove and just south of the Hotel Florence back on as well.

Vision Committee announced that its Priority Action Survey had been disseminated amongst the Executive Board and will be more widely disseminated in November – further details will be in that month's Flyer.

House Tour Committee (Cindy McMahon) thanked all volunteers and those who opened their homes for this year's successful Tour – approximately 1100 tickets were sold. Those interested in featuring their homes on next year's Tour are encouraged to contact the Committee Chairs. The President also thanked volunteer coordinators Mary Ferraza and Katie Williams for their excellent work.

For Old Business:

- President announced that Susan Schoepfoester had been appointed Hospitality Committee Chair

For New Business and Announcements:

- Gately Stadium will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event on October 31 from 1:00-3:00PM
- The PCO will be hosting its Trunk or Treat in the parking lot of the Exhibit Hall on Oct. 31, 4:00-7:00PM
- A Veterans Day event will be held on November 11 at 11:00AM, likely outdoors on the grounds of Pullman Elementary with refreshments to follow at the Florence Lowden Miller Historic Pullman Center. Recommendations for speakers are welcome, and those interested should contact Rachel and/or Tom McMahon
- Volunteers for the Exhibit Hall are always welcome, and those interested are encouraged to see Cindy
- Tom Shepherd has volunteered to Chair the Black History Month Ad Hoc Committee, and those individuals interested in participating in assembling the program are currently in the planning stage; additional volunteers are welcome

Split the Pot was \$25 and Norma Zarris was the winner.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43PM.

Submitted,  
Wyatt Ollestad, Secretary