

BOARD MEETING 3/20/18

5:30 PM / POYDRAS MUSEUM

ATTENDEES

Teresa Houston, Aimee Moreau, Christine St. Romain, Janet Humphreys, Blake Scheeler, Carlyn Morales, and Stephen Bergeron. Office Coordinator, Lorie Grezaffi - Present.

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Minutes from February meeting accepted. 1st - Christine, 2nd - Carlyn.

Treasurer's Report

2. Christine read the treasurer's report. Steve motioned to accept. Aimee seconded.

Administrator News

3. Lorie Grezaffi was present. Board unanimously voted Lorie as the Office Coordinator for PCHS. Lorie gave background:
 - a. Has history of event coordinating and marketing, such as the Bluffs and Audubon. Is interested in promoting long-term rentals and reaching out to local event coordinators in town, chamber of commerce, and churches. Office hours will be M-F, 9-2. Met with Jeanie Andre regarding working with Office of Tourism.
4. Teresa gave building updates:
 - a. Art Gala function is this weekend.
 - b. Teresa obtained quote for repairing and painting building - waiting on formal quote, but if she doesn't hear back, will

contact Joe Cotton. Christine also mentioned calling Guillory for an estimate.

c. Steve Bergeron volunteered to fertilize trees last week.

Recent Activities

5. **Nancy Bergeron** resigned from Office Coordinator, but would like to remain on the board. Board approved.

6. Janet Humphreys presented board with **Royalty Check** of \$200 from Randy Harelson.

7. **Live Oak Tree Tour** -

a. Aimee and Janet updated board on progress of Tree Tour.

b. Board voted on tagline "Explore Historic Oaks in Pointe Coupee Parish."

c. Aimee will order posters and pushcards this week.

d. The PCHS website for the tour is live.

e. Need to identify photographer - Aimee will call Lori Averill - other names were mentioned.

f. Members agreed to assist with various tasks, such as obtaining more information on some trees, pictures, and measurements of trees.

8. **Landscape Updates** -

a. Aimee will contact Nick again regarding project.

b. **Flagpole** - Blake submitted an invoice for \$900 for the flagpole through AJ Roy. Blake and Lorie will work to have it installed.

9. **Gazebo** - Raffle will be on the day of the tour.

10. **Rosenwald Film Presentation**

a. Successful event - some money has come in and creating invoices for public schools.

New Business

11. Aimee asked board to approve donation of "New Roads and Old Rivers" book for Olivia Ventola for Raintree Children and Family Services. Board approved.
12. Reprint of "New Roads and Old Rivers" book. Janet Humphreys raised a new item about reprinting the "New Roads and Old Rivers" book. In order to reprint the book, LSU Press requires an upfront purchase. Randy Harelson co-author of the book, estimates that the upfront costs will be about \$20,000. Randy will check with LSU Press for a more accurate estimate. If the book inventory gets down to less than 300 books, LSU Press will consider the book to be out of print, and will not reprint. The book has been a wonderful fundraiser for the Society, as well as a resource to use to encourage preservation of properties.
13. Pointe Coupee tri-centennial. Janet Humphreys raised a new item about the Pointe Coupee Tri-centennial, which will be in 2021. An event as large as the tri-centennial will take a lot of advanced planning. The Historical Society may want to start thinking about how large a celebration would be appropriate, and what role we want to play. It will take a concerted effort to encourage more property owners to register their historic properties and trees, if the board decides this is something we want to do.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50.