

Pointe Coupee Historical Society Board Meeting
February 15, 2022
Minutes

Our President Janet Humphreys called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

1.Roll Call: Members in attendance in person included Janet Humphreys, Greg LaCour, Blake Scheeler, Rose O'Rear, Jeanne James, Carlyn Morales, Paula Lambert, Michelle Rabalais, David James, and Mindy LaCour and Marsue May by telephone.

2. David James moved that we accept the Minutes as written from our January meeting and Greg LaCour seconded that motion.

3.Treasury Report: Our Treasurer Rose O'Rear announced that our Building Fund balance is \$27,613.00 and the Society Fund balance is \$38,864.48. The balance in our Pointe Coupee Historical Society savings account is \$151,655.27.

4.Building and Event Report:

- Mindy LaCour announced that the \$10,000 grant from the Louisiana Endowment for Humanities fund will be used to first address roofing issues over the front door. She shared that the air conditioner on the second floor has been repaired but that the outside unit will need to be replaced. The quote for that is \$3200.
- The Louisiana Trust for Historic Preservation will conduct a quarterly workshop on Thursday, February 17 at the Poydras Museum and all are invited.
- Mindy is working on an advertising grant through the Office of Tourism which will supply funds to advertise our museum exhibits and the American Queen visits.

5.Upcoming Activities:

- Our annual Jazz Brunch will be held on May 1, 2022.
- The American Queen passengers will be visiting Poydras on February 23, March 9,10, 17, 22, and 26. Volunteers are needed for several of those dates when Mindy and Janet are not available.
- The Jazz Brunch committee will meet on March 9 at Wickliffe at 6 PM.

6.New Business:

- Greg LaCour announced that once he confirms installation of the Ernest Gaines /Miss Jane Pittman oak tree marker we will determine a date for its dedication and solicit publicity for that event.

7.Old Business:

- Janet Humphreys updated us on the progress on the third-floor and the next steps for a permanent exhibit.
- Mindy reported that she had received a good response to her email requesting people to renew their membership in order to get Jazz Brunch tickets at a reduced price.
- Greg LaCour and David James continue to work on repair related issues at Poydras. -The Memorial Garden upkeep has been donated by Jenn Cline.
- Mindy and Janet shared that one day in March we will have a work party to spread out mulch on the grounds.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned following a motion by Michelle Rabalais and seconded by Rose O'Rear

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne James, Recording Secretary