

Minutes PCHS Board meeting Minutes

10.20.2021

Call to Order and Mission statement at 5:33

1. **Roll Call:** In attendance are Greg LaCour, Michelle Rabalais, Blake Scheeler, Steve Bergeron, and Mindy LaCour by phone, Janet Humphreys, Carlyn Morales, Jimmy Duckworth, and Creighton Stout
2. **Janet read the mission statement**
3. **Accept September Minutes:** Greg made a motion to accept and Steve seconded. Minutes were accepted from September meeting.
4. **Treasurers Report:** Mindy gave the report as Rose was not in attendance. Bills have been paid. Some money was moved over from Savings to Checking in order to pay for the 3rd floor renovation.
5. **Building and Event Report:** Mindy reported the following:
 - a. Mindy and Carlyn updated the Board on the American Queen Steamboat company approaching visit. The Poydras Center has 11 secured vendors and possibly a few more. NEXtera and Tourism will be the sponsors. This will offset the price we will charge the vendors. PCHS will be selling books.
 - b. Joanna Wurtele donated \$5,000 to the Historical Society
 - c. Discussion was held regarding raising the membership dues. Steve made a motion to raise family membership to \$75 a year. There will be an option for those under 40 years old to join at the reduced rate of \$50. Greg seconded the motion and it passed. Mindy will make new membership forms.
 - d. Mindy will be sending out an email to have the membership join through 225 Gives this year. This will have donated moneys go through the United Way. This will allow us to participate and be eligible for United Way dollars through the organization.
6. **Upcoming Activities:**
 - a. American Queen visits: October 26, November 3, 17, 23, 30 + 2 more dates in December. Community is invited to the market.
 - b. Market at the Mill, November 20. Mindy asked for volunteers to help man the PCHS booth where we will be selling books.
7. **Old Business**
 - a. **The Poydras Fund.** Janet reported that she and Mindy had a meeting with the 2 members of the Parish Council that are on the Poydras fund committee, along with Steven David, the commissioner. They brought the report that Greg and Creighton put together showing building needs and prices. Steven David explained that the PCHS was not eligible to receive anything but a portion of the interest earned during the year. This amounts to approximately \$1,200.
Jimmy made a motion for us to write a new resolution to update how the Poydras Fund money is distributed while still maintaining the Corpus. It was suggested that a lawyer be included in the discussion to help write the resolution so it is permissible by law. This will be brought to the Parish Council then to the State Legislature. The motion was seconded by Greg, motion passed.
 - b. **PC Exhibit.** Kathe Hambrick has signed the contract and she has received a retainer to begin the project. She was given a flash drive with all the Richard Sexton photos on it.
 - c. **3rd floor renovation.** We will continue in the studio to take the plaster wall down.
8. **New Business**
 - a. **The Annual Meeting:** To be held on December Thursday December 9th. Kathe Hambrick will speak.
 - b. **Pelican Music Concerts.** Discussion was held and we will wait till fall of 2022 to resume.
9. **Adjourn 6:30**

Respectfully submitted by Mindy LaCour