

German Settlement History, Inc May 1, 2005 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Meier.

Present were Michael Cullen, Marilyn Erickson, Luann Lind, Tuffy Marheine, Maryalice McHugh, Marvin Meier, Michael Meier, Toni Meier. Karen Johnson, Gene Meier, Ronald Meier, and Patricia Mueller were absent and excused.

Visitors were Dawn Meier and Pam Welch

Minutes of the January 15, 2005 meeting were accepted.

The Treasurer's report was accepted with the instruction for Toni to meet with Ron Meier to get the names of the persons that helped with the Logging Day so they can be acknowledged as a footnote to the Financial Reports.

The donor categories that were suggested were accepted by the board. The policy of sending a thank you letter at the time of contribution and acknowledgement by category to be done at the end of each year in the Liberty School News was approved.

A report was made about the oral history project. Andy Meier has done an interview with Harold Rhody and more can be done with Harold. Discussion led to the feeling that the scope of the interviews can be expanded to include all ages and community interests and projects. The next goal is to interview 4 or 5 persons at the Town Hall on Memorial Day. Dawn and Pam will have the camera there and ready. Marvin will donate his tent for a studio. Marvin, Michael and Luann will come at 11:00 that morning to help set up and interest people in being interviewed. Maryalice will get pictures of past Memorial Days to Luann for a poster to be displayed.

Toni had the computer program for museums "Past Perfect" set up on her computer for members to look at. It will be evaluated as we have time to look at it.

Luann had the flyers available that are out advertising the Barn Dance fundraiser to be held on May 29, 2005. She had a good list of donations for the silent auction and had lined up the order for pies to be bought from Mrs. Mann to be served as refreshments along with ice cream donated by Mrs. Mann. Several of us volunteered to help bake the pies and contribute items for the silent auction. See the list provided in a separate handout.

Plans for the Open House will be finalized at our next meeting.

It came to Michael's attention that it would be wise to acquire a web page domain now so we would have access at such time as we can get a web page set up, so he has done that and paid for it.

Bookbinding was again discussed and decided that we would like to do the hardcover method with Kathy Meier's help.

Copies of the brochure that Kathy had produced and Marvin had printed as a contribution were handed out and will now be available in the Yesterday House and at our events.

We need to check with Lavonne about the possibility of a line drawing being done for note cards that we could sell.

Kathy Meier is interested in using old photos as subjects on note cards also. Marvin will check with her on these and the bookbinding materials.

This was our last meeting with Michael Cullin in attendance, so we expressed our appreciation of the good work he has done for us.

The nominating committee has found several people interested in serving on our board at some time. Dawn Meier is willing and available now to do so. The board unanimously approved her nomination with gratitude.

Our next meeting was set for Sunday July 31, 2005 at 2:00 PM.