

## **German Settlement History, Inc July 7, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Meier.

Present were Marilyn Erickson, Luann Lind, Maryalice Mchugh, Dawn Meier, Gene Meier, Michael Meier, Ron Meier, Toni Meier, Patricia Mueller. Sheryl Brietzke, Karen Johnson and Marvin and Meier were absent and excused. Visitors were Kathy Meier, LaVonne Meier and Lance Meier.

The minutes of the May 12, 2007 meeting were approved, as was the Treasurer's report.

The Barn Dance was well attended and fun for everyone. We had an even more diverse crowd than in prior years. We had a very nice card from Nancy and Roger. It was suggested that we advertise or announce that the pie and ice cream would be served at 8:00 PM, to make it a little less chaotic.

We discussed various means of doing the bidding with no new way decided upon. An additional shelf for displaying silent auction items would be helpful. There needs to be a fifteen minute preparation time announced after the bidding closes so we can do a better job of compiling the items people have bid on, before they come to pay and pick items up.

Today's Liberty School Reunion went very well. We had between 150 and 200 people and here again a more varied crowd than in past years. Finn Power was well received and they stayed longer than the time we contracted for. They enjoyed the gathering. It was noted that we should chose a different name for this gathering, because calling it a reunion keeps some people away because they did not go to school here.

Marilyn will take care of refreshments for the Labor Day weekend refreshments. The open house will be Sunday 1 to 5 PM and Monday 10 to 5 PM with a board meeting at 2:00 PM on Sunday.

The board decided to not move the old maintenance shed to our property, so we will call Schuettes and thank them for their bid and turn it down.

It was moved and passed that we seek preliminary information from Nathan for our Labor Day meeting. The board would like to check with Nathan Lind on building designs and costs for our January meeting and possibly plan to lay a gravel pad this fall in preparation for a new building next year.

Dawn has 25 more copies of Roy's history ready to be bound.

Harold Rhody was told that he has the publishing rights to the Carl Rhody books so we will follow up on the process needed to be able to republish.

Luann will prepare our display information and Marilyn will set it up at the Price County Fair.

Maryalice will follow up on liability insurance with the company and get the information to Toni.

We will decide on a work day for walkway to the Yesterday House at our Labor Day meeting.

It was moved and passed to sponsor two registrations to the Joint Local History & Historic Preservation Conference. Toni is willing to go and possibly Maryalice.