

Board of Directors Meeting
Falmouth Historical Society
WFH
January 8, 2013

Present: Scott McLeod, Carol Kauffman, Janice Delima, Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Fred Howe, Polly Burke, Andi Jackson-Darling, Diane Howe, Alvin Morrison, and Maytha Southard.

Absent: Suzanne Geyer, Pat Halpin, and Mark Stevanovic.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM.

President, Scott McLeod read his report about the two Board meetings in November and the Executive Board meeting in December at Fred & Diane's house (complete with Fred's homemade scones).

His report concluded with the statement that "we are well positioned" at the end of 2012 and "with the hope for continued progress in our Society endeavors" in the new year.

Betsy read the Secretary's report of the November 20 and 28 meetings. These were accepted as read .

Fred passed out the Treasurer's report for those who had not received the report by email. After some discussion, the report was accepted and will be filed for audit.

Committee reports:

Janice passed out the preliminary report of the proposed programs for the year. The committee has worked fast and diligently and has come up with some interesting programs and proposals for future programs.

The February 12th program (rain date of 2/26) will be a Victorian Tea Party to be held at Ocean View. Invitations are going out to the public, the schools and the Girl Scouts are being asked to participate. The speaker will be Megan MacNeil from Historic New England who will speak on "The Lost Art of Etiquette" and is being lead by Diane Howe.

The April 9th program will be a Maritime Historical Talk (title

undetermined as yet) at the Library. The speaker will be author, James Nelson. Andi Jackson-Darling is in charge of this program.

The month of May will have several programs to be coordinated with the Library and the American Legion all around the theme of a Tribute to the Greatest Generation. More details are to come on this endeavor.

Other proposed programs are: June 15th or 22nd--Opening Day at the Museum; September 14th--Antique Road Show at the Museum; something in October at the Library on genealogy; and December 10th at Ocean View A Child's Christmas in Wales with the High School Choral Group.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the programs as presented and proposed for the year. Motion carried.

Scott has proposed that the Board should be set up in four working groups: Whipple Farm group with Betsy Jo as Coordinator; Heritage Museum group with Janice as Coordinator; Financial Planning group with Fred as Coordinator; and Community Relations group with Scott as Coordinator. Each group will meet and decide what needs the group has and then report periodically back to the Board.

There was a discussion as to where to allocate funds that are received by the Society. It was agreed that all monies received and not designated to a specific area, should be put into the general fund and then distributed where the Board felt they were needed.

Fred talked about bulk mailing and the cost of doing that. It was decided that at this time we do not need this service, but may reach the need for it in the future.

Scott announced that the intern for this spring will not be coming, but we will continue to pursue this avenue.

Fred talked about Blue Wave Creative which helps set up websites. It was agreed that we need a Webmaster and a new design for our website. We were all encouraged to look at different websites and see what we liked and we will discuss further what we would like our website to look like. Diane, Fred, Andi, and Janice will form a subcommittee to investigate this issue with input from the rest of the Board.

The next meeting will be **Tuesday, February 19, 2013 @ 7PM at WFH.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Secretary