## Minutes of The Windsor-Severance Historical Society July 26, 2021

The Windsor-Severance Historical Society met in person on Monday, July 26 at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were Kristie Melendez, Sue Buxmann, Dan Meyers, Marcia Will-Clifton, Laura Browarny, Ruth Brunner, Gloria Gaslin, Judy Firestien and guest, Debbie Bates.

Debbie Bates joined the meeting per Kristie's invitation. Her husband's family has been in the Windsor area since 1885. His name is Robert Calvin Bates. Myrtle Bates, his grandmother, was County Clerk and Recorder for many years. Everyone introduced themselves to Debbie.

Call to Order - Kristie Melendez called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

## **Monthly Reports/Approvals**

**March Minutes** - The Minutes from the previous meeting on June 28, 2021 were reviewed. Sue moved and Dan seconded the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sue reported the balance in checking is \$3,643.10, savings balance is \$20,195.71 and the CD balance is \$3,314.98. This most likely does not include the last three expenditures of \$150 to Bethel Church, expenditure to Smart Marketing for the ad on the Windsor map, and \$100 to join the Severance Chamber of Commerce. Kristi will follow up as she is having difficulty signing up online. These expenditures will all show up on the next statement.

**Membership Status/Update** – Sue reported on new members since the last meeting. An additional \$220 has been collected plus a book was sold online.

## **Old Business**

**Update from Town** - Laura reported all the oral history videos are online now. All the titles are in a database and there are digital copies of 52 of the videos. Laura has staff transcribing videos now to create a searchable database; five have been completed. Hopefully, there will be some compilation videos created also.

Laura also updated the Board on the Jacoby Farm. Last year WSHS donated \$1,000 towards the grant for doing planning for the design of the buildings. Laura shared plans with the Board for rehabilitation of the Dickey Farmhouse. She is working on another grant to continue with the construction which will hopefully be completed by 2023. The Dickey family built the house and lived in it until about 1970 before it was given to the Jacoby family who were farm workers on the farm. This is now Windsor's only historical site.

**History Appreciation Event** – The History Appreciation Event is still scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Everyone from the video list and their families will be invited to the event. It will be open to the public also. An invitation needs to be created as well as figuring out refreshments and creating a rack card to maybe include a QR code to take users to the YouTube channel to view videos. Kristi will email the list of videos to the Board. If anyone is in contact with these people, please provide status of the person and /or email or address to contact family. Facebook posts might also be used to invite and find people and refer people to the videos. This event will be a thank you to people who participated in the videos and will also serve to promote awareness of the Society. Kristi might approach businesses in Town that have food availability to exchange a membership towards food for the event. A decision on how to serve food could be made closer to the time of the event.

**Preserving with Purpose –** This has been put on hold for a bit, but Kristi will be calling to follow up and will get back to the Board on this.

**Windsor Map Ad** – The ad has been included on the Windsor Map that will be ready soon and will be available at Colorado Visitors and Welcome Centers, real estate offices, Water Valley, Broe Group, High Hops, etc. and the Windsor Chamber. These maps could also be available at Severance Days.

**Severance Chamber Membership** – Kristi will call the Chamber to follow up on the membership.

Bethel Donation – The donation was made; Elaine was to mail the check to the church.

Severance Days August 7th – Dan reported Severance Days would be August 7th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. He will have the booth set up for the Society. He has the banner, books, brochures, etc. for the booth and the big picture. He is also working on a trivia/quiz board. Dan asked to use the WSHS logo and Kristi would send that to him. He is looking for a few volunteers. Set up will start at 8:30 a.m., but volunteers would not need to be there until 11 a.m. Marcia volunteered to help. If others can help, that would be great. The WSHS would also reimburse Dan for candy for the trivia game. Coren Printing might still have the set up for making name tags. Dan mentioned the book *Tails of Tailholt* written by Mary Alice Lindblad and wondered if anyone knew anything about reprinting the book. The Board directed Dan to contact the Lindblad family to see if they might have an interest in reprinting the book. Sue will post to Facebook to ask for volunteers for Severance Days.

## **New Business**

**Next List of Oral Video Candidates –** Further names were discussed for oral history videos which could include Betty Detterer, Everitt Schlotthauer, Mary Ann DeSylvia, Edie Walters, and Wayne Walters.

**Mutual Membership between WSHS and AHSGR** – Gloria had looked into the membership, but there has been a lot of reorganization at AHSGR headquarters and she had not received a reply. Marcia moved and Ruth seconded the WSHS join AHSGR and become a member for \$50. Motion carried.

**Poudre Pour - September 25** – Town of Windsor Museums will be hosting the Poudre Pour at the Windsor History Museum lawn area by Boardwalk Park. This is a fundraiser for the Poudre Heritage Alliance. There will be beer tasting from local brewers, vendors, educational activities, silent auction, music, and the historic museum buildings will be open to educate on the history of the area. At a minimum, the WSHS could have the cut-out picture available. A tent could be set up and the Museum staff would keep an eye on it also. Dan suggested the quiz board he is creating could be used also; set up could be a copy of how the booth will appear at Severance Days. The table could also be set up in the museum. Beth Bullard is organizing the event again this year.

**Next Meeting -** The next meeting will be in person at Bethel Lutheran Church on August 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Firestien, Secretary