

SWISS MENNONITE CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Board and Trustees Meeting

February 10, 2011 @ 4:00 p.m. @Citizens State Bank

Present: LaVern Stucky, Bruce Stucky, Keith Goering, Kathy Goering, Keith Albrecht, Don Kaufman, Alice Suderman, Gerry Schrag

1. Opening and Minutes. President LaVern Stucky opened the meeting. Minutes of the 12/8/2010 meeting were approved.
2. Treasurers report-Keith Goering. Keith noted end of 2010 assets were \$41,023.68. Receipts of \$15,888.31 from banquet, books and donations were reported. Expenses of \$3217.52 were nearly \$1,000 more than last year primarily due to higher mowing cemetery costs. We are pleased with increased memberships, an increase of \$2690. Some funds will be moved to a money market account.
3. Trustee update-Don Kaufman. Contract for mowing was approved. Ty Stucky installed electric eye on light and bill paid. Don will explore adding a timer. LaVern noted that a low spot at the southeast corner of the cemetery will need dirt added. Keith Albrecht has printed a cemetery master chart. Keith and Mervin Schrag will complete the chart and have current cemetery spacing information available at the annual meeting.
4. Annual meeting plans. Sunday, March 20, 2011, 2:30 p.m. at Eden Mennonite Church. Program—Rosemary Fisher, president of Moundridge Historical Association, speaking on “Exploring Early Moundridge Through Photographs.” Gail Graber invocation. LaVera Schrag sing-along. Business meeting: reports of president, treasurer, trustees, research committee, sexton. Board and trustees election. Announcement about interviews. Refreshments by donation: Since poppyseed is not available in adequate supply at this time, soup will be prepared and served with breads.

5. Proposed budget for 2011.

Income:		
Scholarship Money	\$500	
Banquet	500	
Book Sales	600	
Burial Sites	250	
Donations	500	
Interest Income	200	
Membership	2240	
Total Receipts		\$4790
Expenses:		
Cemetery Repair	\$500	
Honoraria	150	
Electricity	200	
Insurance	350	
Mowing	2000	
Scholarship	500	
Sec of State	40	
Web maintenance	250	
Schweitzer Salt	800	
Total Disbursements		\$4790

6. Adding to the member list. Kathy will send a postcard to a list of potential members encouraging membership and the opportunity to get Schweitzer Salt.
7. Schweitzer Salt estimated send date: February 28, 2011. Included will be new scholarship and nominating committee members and sexton, LaVern article, Nicknames article (continued from previous edition), Article on Arnold Wedel, annual meeting information and proxy, Maynard Krehbiel’s German item, books available to order, summary of Brian Stucky’s banquet speech, announcement about interviews.
8. Scholarship Committee: Alice Suderman Convenor, Roger Juhnke, and Clark Graber. Alice announced that information has been sent to many churches and colleges in the area. She noted that several churches listed on the scholarship information have now taken “Mennonite” out of their name and left the Western District

Conference. The Board discussed whether they should still be included on this list of churches. No action was taken.

9. Appointment of a liaison to the McPherson County Historical Society. Several names were suggested.
10. Appointment of a liaison to the Moundridge Historical Association. Several names were suggested.
11. Advance planning for the 2011 banquet. Alice will check about the possibility of Gary Waltner coming as speaker. The banquet has never been at West Zion. Adequate space would be available there.
12. **Next Meeting, Time, Place: Thursday, March 24, 2011, 4:00 at the Bank**