

VOCA Annual Meeting – Oct.3, 2015 At Richmond, VT

Members present – 18

Meeting called to order at 10:05 AM by Pres. Giffin.

Secretary's Report: minutes of the 5/2/15 Spring meeting and the 9/7/15 Board meeting were read and approved.

President's Report: 1. DOC work crews – several were cut.

2. Haven't heard about the continuation of the Flood Brook program ✓

3. Insurance: reminder cemeteries should list ie, schedual your property – example buildings, fences etc.

4. Legislation proposal: several are looking at it for Jan.

5. Web site and facebook: good thanks to Barry

Treasurer's Report: Attached, shows profit and loss and balance sheet. Motion made and seconded to approve, carried. Question about membership fee schedule.

Announcements: 1. Motion made and seconded to ask the VHs is they will accept to hold our archival files. Carried.

2. Sec. Marchant has received a slate gravestone for a Sarah Fox 1786 –looking for where it goes.

3. Report on AGS meeting in MA – next one is in June 2016 in Cin. OH.

4. We have the Hyde files and need to find a place for them – see motion in #1

5. Received a copy of Ian Brown's book re. Irish cemeteries.

6. Reminder to see if your town has given cemeteries 911 addresses.

Grants Report: Attached

Membership Report: Barry Trutor – report attached. Recommendation – have dues fo to membership coordinator.

Motion made and seconded to award lifetime membership to Peggy Jenks and Charles Marchant, carried

Old Business: 1. IRS update – finally all set. Need to remind of form 990 each year and the Sec. of State update.

2. As of this meeting the Secretary has retired – VOCA needs a replacement.

3. Need county reps for Franklin and Caledonia County. *Ryder*

New Business: 1. Grant money for 2016 – Motion made and seconded to allot \$3,000 of up to \$750 each for grants. Carried.

2. Question: is the membership coordinator appointed or elected.

3. Dick Howrigan volunteered for county rep.

4. Secretary is requested to write letter to DOC regarding the work crews.

5. Next meeting : pos. Johnson – Deanna French or Rutland, Tom Giffin.

6. Election of officers – Motion made and seconded to have the Secretary cast one ballot for the current slate with the Secretary's position vacant.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM

Charles G. Marchant, Sec.