

Minutes: VOCA Board Meeting - 4/14/14

Present: T. Giffin, C. Book, C. Marchant, D. Leary, R. Barton, T. Ledoux, B. Trutor, R. Howrigan, R. Hooper, D. Phillips

Meeting called to order at 10:03 AM by Pres. Giffin.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the Spring 2013 meeting were read and approved.

President's Report: 1. IRS - sent stuff in to them and will hear after 4/15

2. Sec. of St.- some discussion that we have to renew every two years instead of 5. Tom will check into it.

3. Funeral Directors Association donation: The FDA gave us \$1,000. What do we want to do with it?

Motion made and seconded to put it in the Dean Fund. Carried. (do we have the \$?) *I don't see it in the report*

Treasurer's Report: It is attached. Motion made and seconded to approve. Carried (does the report show the \$1,000 FDA \$ and the Partridge \$?)

Secretary's Announcements: 1. Stones and Bones distribution

2. E-911 update

3. AGS meets in Indiana - Sec. Marchant going and will have a VOCA booth there.

4. Hyde material - no call from the family to pick it up

5. We still have some open positions - try to deal with at Spring meeting

Grants Report: Readsboro, Fair Haven done, Lunenburg done but no paperwork yet. West Bridgewater given an extension, Question raised about the Fair Haven grant and it has been decided not to pay it. For 2014 - 4 submitted, Sharon, Jamaica, Lunenburg, approved. Glover - denied. Possible one for Vergennes.

Editor's Report - Newsletter at the printer.

Old Business ; 1. Membership lists have been updated

2. Legislative report - Vandalism bill may be dead for this session. If so, we should look at it again, some discussion on amount \$1, \$5, or \$10. Also decide how to administer it if it passes. Seems like the Vermont Cemetery Association has a problem with us proposing this.

3. Web site- working well thanks to Tom and Barry. Tom gave an update of the site. Proposals for the May meeting. A. Digitize our listings and post them on the site. - comment - it isn't VOCA's mission to maintain cemetery listings. B. Put a list of links for researchers - thought this was a good idea. C. Our Burial Grounds of VT surveys need to be updated. Tom felt as new information came in it could be included in the web site.

4. Signs - Cliff will get to Charlie on the wording. We have \$200 to get some.

New Business: 1. Spring meeting - at St. Mikes in Colchester with Lucien Hayes the speaker

2. Fall meeting - Townshend with an archaeologist as the possible speaker.

3. ;Diane has some ^{money} from a bottle drive for VOCA

4. We received some money (\$1,000??) from the Sanborn Partridge Trust - need more information on this for the notes.

5. Welcome to Dave Phillips as the new Footstone from Washington County

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM

Charles E. Marchant
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Highlighter

for your info

C. G. M.