

VOCA Board Meeting 9/16/13 at Rutland

Meeting called to order at 10:06 AM by Pres. Giffin

Present: T. Giffin, C. Book, R. Howergan, C. Giffin, D. Leary, R. Barton, W. Mowry, and C. Marchant.

The meeting started by acknowledging the death of Arthur Hyde.

President's Report: Newsletter is at printers and will be out. Tom and crew did some restoration work in the Madison Cemetery in Tinmouth. MSJ football team did a community service project in the Rutland Correctional Cemetery

Treasurer's Report: Chris read off the various accounts to equal \$45,461.51 in total assets. There is concern that the printing costs may exceed the dues receipts. We will have to do something about that to be sure that our costs don't exceed our income. Report accepted as read.

Membership Report: We are holding even. There are some mixups with some members. Diane, Chris, and Bob will continue to work on fixing the list.

Secretary's Announcements:

1. The 2014 AGS conference will be in Indianapolis, IN in June
2. E-911 update - members need to check their own towns - it is an assignment and obligation of membership.
3. Proposal to distribute Stones and Bones to schools we have over 600 and they will spoil if kept in storage.
4. We still have open positions that need to be filled.
5. What to do with the cemetery lists that have been in storage.
6. Some of the VOCA material that was at Arthur Hydes has been picked up, there will be more when the family lets us know. This material has to go someplace

Grants Report: Diane - 1. Motion made and seconded to Killington (West Bridgewater) a one year extension to 2014. Carried
2. Readsboro - completed Fair Haven still outstanding

Editors Report : There needs to be some contact corrections. We now have a Facebook site

Old Business :

1. Website - we perhaps need to change our webmaster. Motion made and seconded to have ask some questions and vote by e-mail once we know where we are going. Carried
2. IRS - Chris and Bill still need to follow up.
3. Slate of officers needs to be presented at the Oct. meeting - there are open positions.
4. Road signs - Diane had some information and Cliff will look into it more by the Oct. meeting.

New Business:

1. Spring meeting 2014 - Dummerston possible - we need sites for 10/14 and 5/15 etc.
2. Cemetery listing books - we will distribute them to the counties they came from. So far Windham and Rutland county ones have been distributed.
- 3 Stones and Bones: Motion made and seconded to keep some to sell (about 100) and distribute the rest to various Vermont Supervisory Unions for distribution to teachers in VT. Carried
4. Fund raise letter- it was generally agreed that we should send one out in May. Tom will see if our printer will set it up.
5. Burial Permit legislation - Motion made and seconded to send a letter to Legislators Deveroux (VOCA member and Marek asking them to sponsor a change that requires the filing of a burial permit if the remains are buried in a cemetery. Carried 7-1

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM

Charles E. Marchant, Sec.