

St. Michael Historical Society Minutes: February 5, 2007

President Rose Ann Gindele opened the February meeting at 7:05PM, at St. Michael City Hall. There were 10 board members present and one visitor. Board members in attendance were: Sheldon Barthel, Clarence and Mary Ann Eull, Rose Ann Gindele, John Jaeb, Wayne Kessler, Lisa Marx, Earl Vetsch, Alfred Zachman, and Bob Zahler. Minutes of the previous meeting, December 4th, 2006, were read. A motion was made by Clarence Eull, seconded by Lisa Marx, to accept the minutes as read, after a misspelled name correction. Motion carried.

President Rose Ann reported on receiving various brochures and pamphlets from the State Historical Society, and encouraged anyone interested to take and read them if they so desired. She also told of a workshop at Becker, put on by the Minn. State Historical Soc. and covering different topics. \$25 is the entrance fee and seminar runs from 8:30AM – 4:30PM on March 23rd. Anyone interested in going can contact her for further information. Rose Ann also reported, as of today, we have 39 active members and 6 non-renewals.

Rose Ann then gave the treasurer's report for Harry Welter. Since the last meeting, income totaled \$2,904.21. Expenditures were \$24.81 for the same period. Current checkbook balance is \$4,828.25.

Under committee reports, Clarence Eull and Wayne Mosher reported on the Historical Notecard fundraiser. Eleven cards have been chosen and layouts are now made ready for printing. Two options were presented for quantities, and after much discussion motion was made by Sheldon Barthel, seconded by Wayne Kessler, to print 500 sets at a cost of \$3,230 total, and sell boxed sets at \$15. Wholesalers would be allowed to purchase sets at \$12 per set. Motion carried. Three volunteers came forward to volunteer to solicit funds from various local organizations to cover printing expenses for the project: John Jaeb, Knights of Columbus; Wayne Mosher, Lions; and Clarence Eull, American Legion.

A nominating committee was appointed by president Gindele for the upcoming elections of board members in April. President Gindele and Secretary Barthel volunteered to serve on this committee.

Bob Zahler reported on by-law changes to be voted on at the April meeting. After much discussion, suggestions were tentatively agreed on and will be voted on and, if approved, will be inserted into the revised by-laws at the April meeting.

Genny Kieley was not present to discuss winter newsletter but suggestion was made to promo Notecard project.

Rose Ann talked to Highland bank and tentative agreement was made to loan original painting "Village at Dusk" for lobby display until Society asks for its return. A plaque will be purchased to place under painting stating "On loan from St. Michael Historical Society". Motion made to proceed and make plaque was made by Lisa Marx, seconded by Wayne Kessler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Clarence Eull, seconded by Lisa Marx to have Leslie Anderson, a local author of three books on telling life stories, speak at the March meeting. He asks for no fee but only to be allowed to make his books available for sale. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on 2nd in series of Speltz prints. Because of Notecard project, motion was made by Clarence Eull, seconded by Lisa Marx, to postpone indefinitely the second print. Motion carried.

Rose Ann announced the next meeting would be held March 5th, with 6:30PM business meeting, followed by speaker Leslie Anderson at 7:00PM. April 2nd will be meeting for election of board members and by-law change approvals.

There being no other business, motion by Clarence Eull, second by Earl Vetsch to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:22PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheldon Barthel
Secretary