

ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: December 7th, 2009

President Rose Ann Gindele opened the meeting at 7:00PM at the St. Michael City Hall. Present were 5 guests and 11 board members. Board members present were: Sheldon Barthel, Clarence Eull, Mary Ann Eull, Rose Ann Gindele, Stephen Barthel, Wayne Kessler, Earl Vetsch, Harry Welter, Alfred Zachman, Bob Zahler, and Harvey Zahler.

Secretary Sheldon Barthel read **minutes** of the previous meeting with a motion by Bob Zahler to approve, seconded by Harry Welter. Motion carried.

Under **correspondence**, Rose Ann reported we received 2 new memberships and 5 renewals. She also received a bill from Ad-LAN for website charges. Also, 3 thank you's were sent out by her and receipts for memberships and donations.

In her **President's report**, Rose Ann mentioned Steve Barthel's October presentation was good and went well. Approximately 75 people were in attendance and we received 1 new membership, including a donation and 4 renewals. We also sold 4 newsletters and 3 boxes of note cards. \$127 was taken in as donations from our free will offering basket at the entrance to the auditorium.

Sheldon Barthel, filling in for John Jaeb, gave the **Treasurer's report**. Balance on 9-14-09 was \$5,897.38. Since then, deposits were made of \$55 for a balance on 10-7-09 of \$5,952.38. Since then deposits were made of \$195.50 and expenses of \$47.98 for a balance of \$6,099.90. Current balance as of 12-03-09 is \$6,099.90.

Under **Reports of committees**, Steve Barthel made a comment that he was pleased with the venue for his October presentation and felt very comfortable. Steve Barthel and Bob Zahler made a short report on the updates to the website. It was decided that we should have the ability ourselves to update the website, and so a motion was made by Harry Welter, seconded by Wayne Kessler, that Bob Zahler, Steve Barthel, and Sheldon Barthel be trained to have the ability to manage the website as needed. Motion carried.

Wayne Mosher reported that, to date, we have sold 195 boxes of **note cards** for a total of \$2,901 taken in.

Under **Unfinished** business, the start-up bill from Ad-LAN for the website came to \$441.00. As only \$200 was approved at the April 7, 2008 meeting, motion was made by Bob Zahler, seconded by Wayne Kessler, to approve the additional \$241 required in paying off the entire bill. Motion carried.

Under **New business**, Rose Ann mentioned that newsletter editor Genny Kieley is still looking for articles on businesses for the fall issue. She also mentioned that, after the meeting, she would take renewal of memberships for 2010.

Bob Zahler reported that his book on the history of St. Michael, entitled **Faith, Family and Farming**, is now completed and that he will be having book signings on Saturday, December 19th, between 10 and 2PM at the Heaven Bound Bookstore in the old parish center building, and on Wednesday, December 23rd, between 10AM and 8PM at the Roy Simms Library in the Colonial Mall. Price of the book will be \$28.07, with sales tax bringing it to \$30 even.

Announcements: Meetings for the 1st Quarter of 2010 will be as follows: February 1st, March 1st, Annual Meeting April 5th, and May 3rd.

There being no further business, Sheldon Barthel moved to adjourn, seconded by Wayne Kessler. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39PM.

Respectfully submitted
Sheldon Barthel
Secretary