

**ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY YEARLY MEETING AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES:
April 13, 2015**

Sheldon Barthel, president, called the annual meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 7:05 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116. Other directors present were Rose Ann Gindele, Dan Lenz, Stephen Barthel, Wayne Kessler, Lisa Marx, Calvin Schoen, Harvey Zahler, Bob Zahler, Harry Welter, Earl Vetsch, and Crystal Sayen. The minutes from the March 9, 2015 meeting and the minutes from last year's annual meeting were approved as read.

The annual meeting consisted of elections for members to the Board of Directors. The five nominations for the Board were, Harvey Zahler, Bob Zahler, Harry Welter, Earl Vetsch, and Crystal Sayen. Since there were no other nominations from the floor, the chair declared the slate elected. The elected will fulfill their positions in May. Bob and Sheldon wanted to create a committee that would amend the bylaws. Harry motioned to create the bylaw amendment committee; Rose Ann 2nded the motion. The motion carried. The annual meeting was adjourned and the society went into the monthly Board Meeting.

Reports and Business

Correspondence – Members of the Historical Society were given an invitation to a special event being put on by friends of the St. Michael Library. The special event will take place on May 19, 2015.

President's Report – Sheldon had nothing new to add.

Treasurer's Report – Lisa reported that the balance as of April 13, 2015 is \$3,110.15 with a total of \$6,480.72 in expenses, and \$175.00 in deposits.

Media Specialist – Crystal reported that passwords and member emails were set up on the new website. The PayPal account used for online purchasing is working, credit cards can now be used to buy items from our store. However, the PayPal account is not linked with the website yet. She also reported that Steve and she were the only ones working on the website right now. Crystal asked the other Board Members to try using the new website to make sure that things are working properly and to report any bugs.

Membership – Sheldon reported that we have 100 members on the roster. 5 members were suspended for not turning in their dues.

Curator - Bob reported that he received a 5 year Historical Society anniversary print from Dennis Martin, that hadn't been framed. He went ahead and put the print in the collection.

Newsletter – The next newsletter will be out in May. The newsletter will include articles on Ken Zylla and his work as an artist, the painting he did for the Historical Society, the Star Tribune Spotlight of St. Michael, and upcoming events including Steve's presentation in June.

Website - Steve reported that 2515 lines of names had been added, and that roughly 70% of those lines were linked to the websites of Find a Grave and Family Search.

Interview Committee – Batteries were purchased for the recording device. The committee planned on interviewing Florence Huber before the May meeting.

Old Business – The Ken Zylla painting will be formally unveiled immediately following the July Board Meeting. Prices were being figured for promotional literature and order blanks for the painting. Bids included Pinnacle Printing for \$523, Doug Lindenfelser for \$400, and Rogers Printing for \$300. A motion was made by Lisa to go with Rogers Printing. Harry 2nded the motion. The motion carried. Gary LaPointe and Doug Lindenfelser will be framing two prints. No numbers have been figured on the framing yet. Prices for prints were figured as well. It was determined that a Zylla print will be sold at \$95. A 10% discount will be given to those involved in giving money to the project.

New Business – Bob and Sheldon will be looking into getting insurance for Board Members. They received quotes from both Zachman Insurance and Middleton Insurance agencies. The idea of getting a booth for Daze and Knights was tabled for the next meeting. Clarence Eull brought in photos taken by Jim Pickler. The photos show the renovation of the church steeple clock faces.

Announcements – The next meeting will take place on May 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116.

Adjournment – Bob motioned to end the meeting; Lisa seconded it. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Calvin Schoen, secretary