

Ypsilanti Heritage Foundation
Minutes of the board of directors
Monday, November 8, 2010 Standard Printing conference room

The meeting was called to order by President Prebys at 7:36pm
Present: Prebys, Mattimoe, LaRue, Harrington, Randazzo, Schmiedeke, Chisnell,
Arps-Prundeanu, Penet, Alex Pettit
Guest: Anne Stevenson

Anne was asked by Prebys to act as program chair and newsletter coordinator. She has already arranged for Jeff Weatherford to be the featured speaker at our January general meeting. He is from Tecumseh is a preservationist involved with both architecture and furniture restoration. Discussion ensued regarding possible newsletter topic and ways to generate topics, etc.

Minutes of the October 4, 2010 meeting were passed without correction

Home Tour finance report: Mattimoe submitted a final report indicating a net profit of \$5,174.86 which is the largest in recent memory. 100 more tickets were sold this year than last.

Home Tour report: Arps-Prundeanu relayed story of the "police incident" involving an angry neighbor, parking and being rude to a police officer. She asked for suggestions for possible home tour sites for 2011.

Highland Cemetery update: Prebys spoke with Denis Schmiedeke recently about the fact that the board may be coming around to favoring National Register status based on the possibility of grants-in-aid. The mausoleum is in need of repair and understand it is underway. A conversion of 1960s site plans to digital drawings is being arranged through the help of Peter Fletcher.

Report on upcoming Nov. 17th general meeting: In Nickels' absence it was reported that things were under control. A projector had been found. Carol Mull will do a presentation on the Starkweather house and the underground railroad in Ypsilanti.

Marker Removal notices: Sent to two owners on October 16th.

Holiday Party jobs: Pattie will do invitations, members bring treats, Prebys will call Penny about punch bowl, etc.

By-law update: Nickels and LaRue need to meet with Tom Manchester. He will provide legal services pro bono.

Video update: Nat Edmunds is next subject and asked to have a few weeks to get her thoughts together and review some old documents, etc.

Change in design of historic structure marker: The board voted to adopt a new layout for the marker. It will now have the word "Ypsilanti" above the words "historic structure."

Penny Schreiber has sent a letter of resignation and the board accepted same. A letter will be sent thanking her for her years of service both with the home tour, the newsletter, press releases, etc.

Next meeting: Monday, January 10, 2011