

A REPORT OF THE YHF BOARD MEETING OF October 6, 2008

Present: Patti, Jane, Hank, Joe, Bonnie, Don.

The meeting began at 7:40 at Standard Printing office.
Hank agreed to create the record of the meeting.

The Report of the September 8th, 2008, Meeting was approved unanimously

1. Joe gave a Home Tour 2008 Final Financial Report. To summarize: The income was \$5062.00 and the Expenses were \$2672,69 (plus a late bill for \$12.39) which leaves a profit of \$2376.92. Food costs for the party were down as were the costs for rentals and photos. Sponsor donations were also down as was attendance. The general conclusion was that the poor attendance and the limited sponsor donations were a reflection of the economy, not the choice of buildings on the tour.
2. Hank mentioned that the tent that the YHF owns, still has not been set up in order to gage difficulty of construction, but he has noticed that the sign listing the Home Tour Ticket Sales is in one of the bags that came with the collection of things associated with the tent.
3. The next general meeting is on the 19th of November. Marzoff and Wiston Stevens will be presenting a before and after show of buildings in the area. Who will do introductions is still to be determined, **Bonnie** has volunteered to do cookies and **Hank** will see to the coffee set up.
4. A newsletter will be produced with the 19th General Meeting as the topic. **Penny** will provide a story about the program, **Jane** will provide a "Currier" article, **Bonnie** will provide an update on the Freight House and the barns which were given markers in September will be pictured.

THE DEADLINE FOR INFORMATION IS NOVEMBER 11!

5. Soon the Board needs to set a date for the YHF Board retreat. Topics for discussion are also to be determined.
6. Bonnie gave a detailed update on the Freight House developments. The \$35,000 grant from SHIPO has been received (which requires a match). They have a \$5,000 grant from the Depot Town DDA and a \$15,000 input from the Friends of the Freight House. The Friends are looking for the \$5,000 that the YHF has pledged. A letter requesting the pledge will be sent to the YHF by the City. The YHF will meet the requirement of the match. The contract for the first stage of the work on the building has been let to Ypsilanti Restorations. Also, the Ann Arbor Community Foundation has agreed to give a grant to the Friends of the Freight House. The amount is not yet known. The status of the Hamburger Helper grant is still an unknown.
7. Joe pointed out that the ticket book states that the proceeds from this year's Home Tour were for the benefit of the Freight House. After some discussion it was proposed that the entire profit be assigned to the Freight House rain garden, an area that is in need of money. It was unanimously agreed that the amount of \$2377 be contributed. Hank will write the letter and enclose the check for that amount.
8. **THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON NOVEMBER 10TH AT STANDARD PRINTING OFFICE. Please make a note on your calendar.**