

**Ypsilanti Heritage Foundation
Board Meeting of March 3, 2008
Standard Printing Conference Room**

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by President Prebys at 7:38pm.

Roll Call:

Members present: Arps, Harrington, LaRue, Nickels, Mattimoe, Penet, Prebys, Randazzo, Schmeideke, Webber.

Year end financial and Home Tour reports:

Mattimoe reported that the bank balance as of Dec. 31, 2007 was \$11,966.47. Memberships were up by \$200 over 2006. The Bank of Ann Arbor CD is at \$5,615.90 and the U Vest Financial Services balance is \$23,385.09. Mattimoe summarized various line items and our financial health appears to be robust. He continued with a brief report on the 2007 Home Tour which netted \$4,435.33.

Home Tour committee:

Arps reported that 711 Hemphill is confirmed, 1104 Pearl is a possibility. Penet indicated that 402 South Huron (the Weinmann "work in progress") is 99% certain. The committee will check with the Mills/Fanta household on Westmoorland. March 12, 2008 is the next Home Tour meeting.

Marker Committee:

Randazzo suggested we look at 208 Elm (Floyd Leib home) as a possibility. Nice Toudor with distinctive brickwork. 324 Oak was mentioned as was 402 South Huron. Randazzo would prefer to wait on the S. Huron home until restoration is complete.

Wayside Signs:

Nickels stated that the Motor Cities National Heritage Area is prepared to produce and erect wayside signs this spring and that the approximate cost of the YHF pledge of 25% will be around \$1,200. Mock ups were distributed for comment. Tucker Club to meet in Ypsilanti in June and wishes to fund a dedicated Tucker sign to be erected at the Auto Museum on E. Cross.

Photo project:

No report.

Friends of the Ypsilanti Freighthouse report:

Penet indicated that three new members were appointed to the FYFH board and they are Betty Jones, Denise Slone and Val Kabat. Pent and Nat Edmunds have sorted through materials and organized files pertaining to the freighthouse committee activities. A benefit concert entitled "Full Freight Banjo" will be held at the Corner Brewery on April 5th under the leadership of Caleb Browkaw.

Board Retreat:

Prebys noted that it has generally been the practice to have a board retreat every two years and we are due for one. It was generally agreed to have a board retreat next fall, probably in October and that potential agenda items should be brought up at the next couple of meetings. One such topic is new member recruitment and how to bring in a more “hip” demographic. Mailing to new historic home owners was discussed.

Next meeting: April 7th at 7:30pm Standard Printing conference room

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm