

**Old Home Week 2020 Committee  
Old School Community Room  
Wilmington, Vermont**

**January 2, 2020**

**Present:** Nicki Steel, D.J. Boyd, Carol Bogard, Mary Towne, Deb Boyd, Denise Childs, Julie Moore and Carl Swanson

Also present: Cliff Duncan

The meeting was called to order by Nicki at 7 P.M

**Secretary's Report:** Motion was made by Deb and seconded by Denise to approve the minutes of December 5, 2019 meeting. Motion passed 7-0 (7 members present when vote was taken.)

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary was given \$730 cash for deposit from sales of OHW memorabilia. (Red Fox \$410, Nicki \$60 and Carl \$260)

**Public Comments:** Nicki reported that Stacie has officially been named to the Board and also wanted to congratulate Denise on her engagement. She also wanted us to realize that it is just 8 months until the BIG party!

**Old Business/Updates:**

Mary reported that our web site has been down because of confusion about bill payment for the domain name and weebly for the web site. She had used the town credit card and when the bill came in, they didn't recognize the charge and cancelled the card, thinking it was a fraudulent charge. Now they are waiting for a new credit card to be issued. Mary will continue to work on getting the web site up and running with Christine and/or Fran's help.

Memorabilia: Carl reported the Maple Leaf Brewery had taken 2 dozen glasses, Snow Republic 1 dozen and that Red Fox sales were doing well. Nicki reported that she was able to order another gross of the stemless wine glasses and 72 (6 doz.) of the Willi Becher size glasses from Catamount.

Totes have been printed in 2 colors (green and beige) and are for sale at the Red Fox for \$10 each.

Balloons – Denise reported that she has found a source for biodegradable balloons.

Prices are: 1,000 - 9" size \$57 assorted colors

1,000 11" size \$67 assorted colors

She had not looked into the cost of helium or an Imprint on balloons

After some discussion, it was decided that Denise will follow up with Black Diamond to see if they are interested in taking on this project again as they did in 2010.

T-shirts – It was decided that group sales must be a minimum order of 12 t-shirts.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Carl and seconded by Julie to charge \$17 for group shirts and \$19 for others. All in favor.

Tent – Cliff has not been able to find out the date for the Farmers’ Day Fair to know if we would be able to share the expense of the tent rental. In the meantime, he has been in contact with Green Mountain Tent in Townshend, VT and Celebration Rentals, in Brandon, VT. He passed out quotes from each and after some discussion it was decided that, if we need to, we would go with Green Mountain Tent unless we share rental with Fair, then we would consider using their vendor.  
Tent size should be 40 x 60.

No report on hot air balloon from Quechee or vintage cars from Hemmings.

Old School committee still to meet and decide if they will do breakfast on Sunday morning and tours of the building. We should know by February.

Nicki reported that the grant to Dover is almost done. She is asking for \$1,000 and suggesting that they sponsor one of the bands in the parade.

Nicki hopes to meet with Rebecca Duncan soon to get her help with some marketing.

**New Business:**

Nicki has reserved one of the windows in the Town Hall for July to publicize OHW.

Carolyn Palmer has agreed to work with artists and crafters to obtain items for the silent auction but will need assistance since she is unable to be in VT the weekend of OHW.

Julie asked about school tours of TVES & TVMHS – everyone thought it was a good idea. She will follow up with Kathy Larsen. Is it possible to use school buses to transport people interested in seeing the buildings? If they want to do it, let us know and we will put it on the schedule.

Cliff mentioned having music somewhere on Friday or Saturday after the activities downtown. Memorial Hall/ the Red Mill/Wilmington Inn were all mentioned as possible places that people could gather and have a drink and maybe food. Peter Miles music would be an attraction also. Julie volunteered to talk to owners of the Red Mill and if they are not interested to contact the Wilmington Inn as a site for such a venue.

Julie also offered to speak with Fran Cunningham regarding getting our web site up and running again. A motion was made by DJ and seconded by Mary to offer her some compensation for her help.

The Historical Society will be putting out their newsletter the end of February. Nicki will post information on our Facebook page.

**Next Meeting:** February 6, 2020

**Tasks to be done:**

Mary will work on getting our web site up and running again.

Denise will talk to Black Diamond regarding balloons for the weekend.

Cliff will try to find out when the Farmers' Day Fair will be so we will know if OHW will be able to share the cost of tent, tables, chairs and port-a-potties. If we need to rent a tent for OHW he will contact Green Mountain Tent in Townshend, VT for a firm commitment with them.

Cliff will continue to work on obtaining a hot air balloon from Quechee and/or vintage cars from Hemmings.

Nicki will meet with Rebecca Duncan for some marketing advice

Julie will talk to Kathy Larsen regarding school tours

Julie will contact the Red Mill/Wilmington Inn regarding hosting a gathering after either Friday or Saturday events downtown.

Julie will speak with Fran Cunningham regarding our Web site.

Being there no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bogard, Secretary