

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES  
Cultural Heritage Center  
Pierre, South Dakota  
September 9, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting of the South Dakota State Historical Society Board of Trustees was called to order by President Brad Tennant on September 9, 2016 at 8:45 a.m. in the Education Room of the Cultural Heritage Center, Pierre, South Dakota. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present

John D. Fowler, Richard D. Harnois, Robert E. Kolbe, Laurie Langland, Jon Lauck-by phone, Peggy Sanders, Brad Tennant, Tom D. Tobin, Francis Whitebird and David A. Wolff.

Board Members Not Present

Jeffery A. Hazard and Rolene R. Schliesman.

State Historical Society Staff Present

Jay D. Vogt, Chelle Somsen, Nancy T. Koupal, Liz Almlie, Jay Smith, Ted Spencer, Chris B. Nelson, Jim Haug-by phone, Kate Nelson, Jennifer Brosz, Kim Smith, Matthew Reitzel and Caroline C. Uecker.

Others Present

John Teupel, Spearfish-by phone; Ryan Brunner, Pierre; Bob Mercer, Pierre; George Bauder and Red Alspaw of Rapid City; Gene and Wanda Bethke of Raymond; Mickie Kreidler, Laura Palmer, George and Donna Lee of Madison; Kevin Kuchenbecker, Mayor Charles Turbiville, Tom Blair, and Lyman Toews of Deadwood.

Welcome and Announcements

President Brad Tennant welcomed the members of the board, staff of the South Dakota State Historical Society and guests.

Board Minutes

Minutes of the board of trustees' meeting of July 8, 2016 were mailed to the members of the Board of Trustees after the meeting. Laurie Langland requested a change on Page 2, Paragraph 1, Line 1 to change the word four to three applicants for the State Historical Records Advisory Board awards. A MOTION TO APPROVE the minutes of July 8, 2016 as amended was made by David Wolff and seconded by Peggy Sanders. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

State Review Board

Historic Preservation Director Ted Spencer mentioned that his office did a small reorganization due to medical reasons for employee Chris Nelson that prohibits him from talking very much. The region of the state that he covered has been divided up between Jennifer Brosz, Liz Almlie, and Kate Nelson. Chris Nelson's expertise is invaluable, and he will continue working for the Historic Preservation Office doing work that minimizes verbal communication.

The State Review Board convened at 8:45 a.m.

National Register Nominations

State Historic Preservation Office staff presented six nominations for review.

Presented by Jennifer Brosz:

- 1) Raymond Farmers and Citizens State Bank, Raymond, Clark County.

The Raymond Farmers and Citizens State Bank is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its significant role in the commercial history of Raymond. It is also eligible under Criterion C as the best local example of a two part commercial block in Raymond. A MOTION WAS MADE by Laurie Langland and seconded by John Fowler to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Raymond Farmers and Citizens State Bank to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff. Gene and Wanda Bethke, the building owners of Raymond were available to answer any questions.

- 2) Belle Fourche Band Shell, Belle Fourche, Butte County.

The Belle Fourche Band Shell is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its significant contributions in the areas of recreation and entertainment in Belle Fourche. The band shell is also eligible under Criterion C as an excellent example of a local vernacular adaptation of popular band shell design. A MOTION WAS MADE by David Wolff and seconded by Richard Harnois to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Belle Fourche Band Shell to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

- 3) Sturgis Water Works Company Supply Works Site, Sturgis, Meade County.

The Sturgis Water Works Company Supply Works Site is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A in the areas of commerce, industry and entertainment/recreation. It is also eligible under Criterion B as it is a place that best illustrates important contributions to the community of Sturgis made by Joseph J. Davenport and his son, Jarvis D. Davenport. A MOTION WAS MADE by Robert Kolbe and seconded by Richard Harnois to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Sturgis Water Works Company Supply Works Site to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff. The Trustees recommended the nomination to include a map showing the location of the Water Works Company Supply Works Site in relation to Sturgis.

Presented by Kate Nelson:

- 4) Rapid City Masonic Temple, Rapid City, Pennington County.

The Rapid City Masonic Temple is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its important associations with the community's social history and the significance of Masonic Lodge #25 in Rapid City. It is also eligible for listing under Criterion C as a good, but rare, example of Renaissance Revival architecture in Rapid City and as the oldest known surviving design by James C. Ewing, Sr., in Rapid City. A MOTION WAS MADE by Francis Whitebird and seconded by David Wolff to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Rapid City Masonic Temple to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe,

Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff. George Bauder and Red Alspaw of Rapid City were available to answer any questions.

Presented by Liz Almlie:

5) Canton Carnegie Library, Lincoln County, Canton.

The Canton Carnegie Library is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A in the area of Education and Criterion C under the area of Architecture. A MOTION WAS MADE by Tom Tobin and seconded by Laurie Langland to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Canton Carnegie Library to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes: Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

6) Art B. Thomas Carousel, Madison, Lake County.

The Art B. Thomas Carousel is nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A in the area of Entertainment/Recreation and Criterion C under the area of Engineering and Art. A MOTION WAS MADE by John Fowler and seconded by Peggy Sanders to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Art B. Thomas Carousel to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with 10 ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Lauck, Sanders, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff. Laura Palmer, George and Donna Lee of Madison were available to answer any questions.

The state review board adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

### Reports

Michael Lewis, President of the South Dakota Historical Society Foundation, submitted his report. (Attachment #1). Lewis was unavailable and John Teupel, Chairman for the Foundation board participated by phone. Teupel reported that Holly Crosby has been hired as the Accounting Assistant and that a Development Director from Sioux Falls has been hired. He mentioned that he was not able to release the Development Director's name at this time. The Foundation plans to have Michael Lewis stay on board to assist the development director and work part-time doing fundraising West River.

### Old Business

Sully County Land: Discussion took place regarding the Sully County land. School and Public Lands Commissioner Ryan Brunner reported on the appraisal that was done on the land. The appraised price of the land is \$107,000. Brunner mentioned that he has six people interested in the property. Currently, the Trustees are waiting for a report from the Archaeological Research Center regarding an archaeology covenant and a second opinion from the Attorney General.

### Reports continued

Director Jay D. Vogt submitted his report. (Attachment #2). Director Vogt had no additions to his report.

Jim Haug, State Archaeologist, submitted his report. (Attachment #3). Haug participated by phone. He reported that the excavation proposal for Huron is off for now and that his office staff have plans to visit and complete the Sully County land report next month.

Chelle Somsen, State Archivist, submitted the Archives report. (Attachment #4). Somsen had no additions to her report. She mentioned that Cary Stainbrook has accepted the Officer Supervisor position at the Microfilm Unit in Springfield.

Ted Spencer, Director of the Historic Preservation Office, submitted his report. (Attachment #5). Spencer had no additions to his report.

Jay Smith, Museum Director, submitted his report. (Attachment #6). Smith reported that the Open House celebration of South Dakota's Code Talkers on August 26 at the Cultural Heritage Center was an excellent day, with 109 people at the event, as well as the Governor in attendance. The South Dakota State Historical Society hosted this celebration honoring South Dakota Code Talker Noah Whitebird, Sr. and the other South Dakota Code Talkers. The Whitebird family donated Noah Whitebird's Congressional Code Talker Medal to the Society. Trustee Francis Whitebird was one of the speakers at the celebration.

Nancy T. Koupal, Director of Research and Publishing, submitted her report. (Attachment #7). Koupal reported that the replacing of staff is going well for her office. Lance Nixon was hired and will begin work October 3. The accounting assistant position closes Tuesday, September 13, and she will begin the interview process. She mentioned that the Press will be launching two new books at the Book Festival in Brookings, as well as previewing *Pioneer Girl Perspective*.

#### Old Business continued

Newspaper Digitization update: Chelle Somsen and Kim Smith reported that the last two-year grant ended August 31, 2016. They reported that the next cycle of grant funding is through August 31, 2018. The Archives was awarded \$50,000 less than what was requested in the grant application. Archives received \$240,000. Somsen mentioned that the selection committee meeting to select newspaper titles for digitization in the next two years will meet in October or November. She will notify committee members. Trustee Jon Lauck is on this committee.

Fort Pierre Chouteau update: Ted Spencer reported that his office met with Loren Schaefer of Brosz Engineering along with Pierre/Fort Pierre Historic Preservation Commission members and that the approximate cost of the Fort Pierre Chouteau project is \$37,000. He reported that Michael Fosha will be able to clear the site entry way in late September or early October. The City of Fort Pierre will be donating materials and labor for the cement parking pads. Spencer said a portion of the funding for the Fort Pierre Chouteau project will come from the Certified Local Government (CLG) program.

Jon Lauck exited the meeting by phone at this time.

#### New Business

Copies of the proposed 2017 Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission Budget were mailed to board members beforehand. Ted Spencer, Director of the State Historic Preservation Office, introduced Deadwood Historic Preservation Officer Kevin Kuchenbecker and said he analyzed the proposed \$8.9 million budget and had no issues with it. Kuchenbecker introduced Mayor Charles Turbiville, Tom Blair, and Lyman Toews who were with him in support of the budget proposal. Kuchenbecker gave a PowerPoint presentation of the 2017 budget and shared handouts that explained the budget items. After the presentation, Kuchenbecker and the other Deadwood representatives answered questions from the Board of Trustees. A MOTION WAS MADE by Peggy Sanders and seconded by Richard Harnois to approve the 2017 Deadwood Historic Preservation Budget as presented. The motion was approved.

Discussion took place regarding supplemental budget line items that may come up over the course of a year regarding the approved 2017 Deadwood Historic Preservation budget. Ted Spencer would like the State Historic Preservation Office to accommodate the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission to sort out any problem that may arise over the course of the year regarding the approved 2017 budget. A MOTION WAS MADE by David Wolff and seconded by Richard Harnois to give the State Historic Preservation Office authority to approve supplemental budget line items and notify the Board of Trustees at the next scheduled board meeting and also include it in the Historic Preservation written board report. The motion was approved.

Chelle Somsen presented a Record of Deaccessions request. (Attachment #8). A MOTION WAS MADE by Laurie Langland and seconded by Richard Harnois, to approve the accession numbers as presented. They include: H2002-003/H2002-017/H2005-054; 79-157; 86-123; 86-139; 86-140; 88-008; 87-127; 87-109; 79-158; 83-025; 90-091; 78-001; 85-016; and 87-155. The motion was approved.

Jay Smith presented a Record of Deaccessions request. (Attachment #9). A MOTION WAS MADE by Peggy Sanders and seconded by Richard Harnois, to approve the accession numbers as presented. They include: 2003.023.002; 2003.023.003; 2003.023.004; 2003.023.005; 2003.023.006; 2003.023.007; and 2003.023.008. The motion was approved.

#### Other Business

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2016 in Pierre.

There were no Certificates of Recognition.

There was no executive session.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 1:45 p.m.

I, Jay D. Vogt, Director of the South Dakota State Historical Society, declare that these minutes are a true and accurate reflection of the business conducted at the September 9, 2016 meeting of the South Dakota State Historical Society Board of Trustees.

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Jay D. Vogt, Director  
South Dakota State Historical Society

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Caroline C. Uecker  
Recording Secretary