MINUTES
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AND RESORTORATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014

PRESENT:	Gretchen Cash Marjorie Cutler Ron Doerler Angie Mayo Patsy Mayo Roger McKemie Andy Olivo Barbara Sisserson – Honnoll Beth Wood Jan Woody	STAFF:	Derrick Birdsall Historical Park Supt.
		GUEST:	Clare Connally

ABSENT: Jamie Jewell

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. with Patsy Mayo presiding.

APPROVED MINUTES: Jan Woody moved to accept the minutes from the August 26, 2014 Board meeting, Ron Doerler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VISION STATEMENT: Clarification between the Mission statement and Vision statement was reviewed. In short the Vision statement reports what the Historical Park is going to do with the Mission statement reporting what the Historical Park does. The two options for the Vision statement were discussed at length, the difference being in the first sentence of each statement. Of the two statements, the last sentence included Texas in both. Jan Woody moved to accept Vision statement one. Ron Doerler second. Motion carried unanimously. Marjorie Cutler moved to delete the word Texas from the last sentence of the Vision statement. Ron Doerler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

WITNESS TO HISTORY: Gretchen Cash and Barbara Sisserson – Honnoll provided a written report and discussed their findings of potential candidates for the *Witness to History* award. This included one business and three individuals. After much discussion the business was eliminated, however all three individuals would be invited to complete an application for the *Witness to History* award. Marjorie Cutler moved to extend an invitation to Ruth Ann Parish, Barbara Bonneau and Doris Taylor to fill out an application for the *Witness to History* award for 2014. Andy Olivo second. Motion carried unanimously.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Schedule of upcoming events was included in the Board packet, along with informational flyers to include but not limited to Vintage Base Ball, Star Parties, Blacksmithing Demonstrations and remaining Historical Park events for 2014. The Cemetery tours for 2014 were a success. Attendance was excellent for one night compared to two full weekends in the past, as well as competition from other events the same evening. Discussion is in the process for tours to include more than one night, however to remain in the same weekend for future tours. Angie Mayo inquired about the upcoming Chili Cook-off, whether any of the money would be earmarked for the Historical Park. Derrick Birdsall stated he would follow-up.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. COLLECTIONS: The Curatorial Report is included in the Board packet. Derrick Birdsall added he made a visit to a potential donor in Denton. Other discussion included measures of accepting donations. A suggestion was made for a presentation regarding The Historical Park's criteria for donation acceptance.

B. FINANCIAL: Copies included in Board packet. The balances are as follows:

Board (Travel, dues, etc.)	$ 172.69
Wardrobe	$ 161.96
Museum Store	$2,061.08

C. FRIENDS: Angie Mayo reported The Friends of the Historical Park reception will take place on October 17 during the Bloomin' Bluegrass Festival, in the Dodson House, at which time officers will be elected. Two grant requests were received and approved. One for the restoration and installation of the bell for the Church in the amount of $18,340 and the second for tools in the amount of $333.

D. ORAL HISTORY: Jan Woody reported she interviewed Judy Byrd, she has also received names of potential individuals to interview.

E. MUSEUM EDUCATION: The Education Report is included in the Board's packet.

F. MUSEUM STORE: Gretchen Cash reported traffic from school tours and walk-in business.

G. EDUCATION CENTER: Marjorie Cutler reported the tour to the Grand Prairie and Weatherford museums was beneficial in obtaining valuable information on everything from building height and views to kitchen size. Staff will be scheduling a meeting for Rick Herold to speak with the Education Committee regarding branding and advertising. Angie Mayo presented a discussion on partnering with the Parks Department, Firehouse Theater and others to push for a convention center to be located at the former Fire Station off of Valley View Lane. Allowing for the building to not only accommodate The Historical Park Education Center, but other amenities and to be centrally located. Jan Woody added as work progresses on I-35 and business move in they will be looking for Convention Centers for retreats and other functions.

DIRECTORS REPORT: A copy of the Director's Report was included in the Board packet. Derrick Birdsall added that Richard Graham is now a full time employee.

ADJOURNMENT: Jan Woody moved that the meeting be adjourned. Gretchen Cash seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Beth Wood, Secretary

Patsy Mayo, Board Chair