

Minutes from

9/99

Jeff Cross calls meeting to order

Roll call, Jeff Cross Jim Morrison, Dave Ponder Jim Hamilton Joe Hess Dick Bennett Linda Blizzard Denny Burnes Glenn Dickey Micheal Pullins Darril Hagar Clarence Coble Rick Blizzard and Visitor Bob Miller every body that is present

Jeff opens the meeting by light the pipe and passing it around using a primitive firestarting kit.

Jeff Cross: I would like to welcome everybody and let everybody know that I certainly appreciate the job you have done up to this point and the job that you are going to do this upcoming year It is going to get a little bit easier it is someitng that we will have to attrend to all the time We have go a really start on what w began and let us keep this going keep this ting moving in the direction it needs to go and we spirt of family and broherhood and sisterhood we have come a long way and we have a long way to go and unity is the watch word and we need to present a united front to these folks to get started on this meeting I will have Rick the treasurer go over the finalncial report that was passed out yesterday at the meeting. Go along with it and get our financial report.

Rick Blizard: Everbody will get out the Living histroy Foundation Treasures report As I go over this you can follow along with me As of the month of September 10<sup>th</sup> 1999 the main account has a balance of \$ 47551.87 along down thorough there the Midwest has been closed out and the Old Northwest still has \$978.92 it has not been closed due to not having all the paperwork to close the account this needs to be brought up later in the meeting. The Northeastern has a checking accoutn out \$ same thing hter we have not received the final work on them the Southeatern 2000 checkbook was just relased they have a blance of \$2000.00 which basically gives us a cash balance of Receivalbe from the NMLRA are \$1780.00 we have recied part of that and this is off just a hair our cash assets is \$ 53708.00 . Our office equipmetn is \$2200.00 and our Foundation total assets if \$ 55908.00 does anybody have any questions about where we stand ?

?? Does that include ..... Rick up to Septebmer 10

Linda: There are still some Eastern receipts that came in after that That did not get on there I had pre registration coming in until Thursday before the Rendezvous.

Rick: This is the report to September 10<sup>th</sup> with Jeff.. and will taken care on the next issue of our treasurer report

Jeff; Dick you had a question?

Dick: no question on this report. For any of the new people can you give a brief descirptin of how that money can be speten What it takes to sepdn that moeny it is a board approved expenditure basically.

Rick you mean as for how it is spent

Dick: The southearten got there balance of \$2000.00 out. And when they turn in theeri receiptps When that money falls below \$2000.00 Do they have a limti ??

Rick They have a limit yes. They are aloeed only to spend up to \$150. Checks and they have to follow by vouchers and anything over that to dollar limit has to the fact up on a purchase order -and approved a stately the foundation takes care of thatat the often one they have been approved or the expensefollow Booshway is have a budget which have been looked atan approved by other members of this boardtherefore everything has a triple check cyst so that the money is our controlled Very where

Linda and Rick: if they do not sand in expand vouchersfor their checks they do not yet replenishment on their checkbooks

Dick i.e. paint you are doing a good job there are no questions by M. S. counted

Rick Thank you and a hand and applause for Rick and Linda

Jeff: I would like or you I know you do not have our figures but can you get us an ideaof where the eastern is at this point yesterday at the meeting we have 2836 heads accountable heads that we could put paper where where that is the number we want to use to vote on money wise

Rick let Rick let Linda take care of this she is the work for the Rendezvous basically I take care of the outer structures and the clerk take care of the inner structures of the monies lid that do you have anything on that

Jeff the we are not wanting hard that in the years down to the penny

Linda : if you all look at the first, on these brand sheet that is the eastern and as of September 10 everything has been paid now and the bottom line profit at that point out of that what needed to be paid was was basically what we had a lot of or medallions the rest of the router money we made a litter deposit trash had to be paid for and the water that was the deed items that what laugh are here after that it still shows a profit and everything coming in the the use showing a profit and I took in about 22000. Roughly the bar and there's still money coming in the gate to the our only 30 is the week and make the 30 everything seems to be going wealth

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Jeff Super  
 Dick What is the 30 you are talking about  
 Rick and Linda that is the 30,000 dollar profits from this eastern Rendezvous is basically what we are looking at  
 That is terrific.  
 Rick if we can't be on this strand this is the first year this will be the first-time in a very long time that three  
 Rodman was in one year strike a profit basically we are doing at end it is coming together its 14 we have let back  
 through records airway cannot find the last kind that we had three Ron Wagner is the same year edition profit I think  
 we are all the right track we need to continue on the hard wind carry is this is now business cannot give a checkbook  
 of let them Ron making the people responsible his dad of letting them doubt  
 Linda: lit explained or mans bridge the classes and headings and all the expenses are in their columns  
 keeping in did that the Northeastern and the old Northwest accounting is not done I do have vouchers and expenses  
 are my desk that I did not get to the cousin working on the eastern those are any complete figure at this point I do not  
 know where they stand the foundation college shows that donations became an end and papers and postage for  
 expenses the 25 NRC is the insurance  
 ?? that is or all the events total  
 Rick: gas isall of this are covered  
 Linda: I will be sending a bill to the MRI rate for the to collect for the money they owe for DEV at insurance  
 when they received to do they would pay for the insurance for the first year the to the last call and that shows the total  
 for the entire foundation  
 Rick This is up to the 10<sup>th</sup> and everybody understands that  
 Jeff: any other quick questions on our financial report  
 Dianne?? Patty a lot established a procedure for a contingency fund in case there is some dire saying that  
 happens at the Rendezvous touches washed out if there any money put aside from each one of these city in a fund  
 Rick: pace deeply right now we did not have fund we argue starting at an brand new  
 Dianne?? Do we have a method of creating that which he is what we should start right now we're making money  
 right now bleak and have one wash out  
 Rick and Jeff: that is what we're talking about making break that has been the whole thing that we Inc. a  
 contingency fund  
 Dianne: were each one of the Rendezvous  
 Jeff: for the two major Rendezvous it we had enough money to weather Eastern and state the  
 northeastern or the southeastern the laying under in the same year due to weather then we be all that that is a large  
 enough than pensions the and then we feel we could go back the other way on are the schedule any other questions  
 on the fine and in a bit I think Rick and Linda have done a tremendous job in putting together a keeping track of it I  
 know I would not have wanted to do that and I have a little bit of accounting background myself I know high would not  
 want to keep up with all of it  
 Jim Morrison I think of band need to know in the bottom problem cop problem item 764 4735.75 is money that we  
 owed the end array for Easter expenses I air to April and it paid out of three British Jewish is into we got their pay our  
 Right  
 Rick No Linda there was a 4735.75 chat issued at the old Northwest to the NMLRA and that is with Can  
 whoever came to that meeting can they didn't pay off we received a 14 about the check that with the bounds of the  
 payoff of all the Rendezvous money and at the same time the eastern of the 4000 a within back to the NMLRA  
 Jim Morrison: that's what I'm saying it was paid back that with money that was owed to them up to that point  
 Linda: at that time we us who that the other Eastern was good idea well and there was 20,000 hours the  
 money in eastern setting and will be used that for setup and it was not there  
 Jeff: live on to a next date the strategic planning committee this year Glenn Dickey what the pad of yet plant  
 to you have her for its I know this year has been sort of healthcare scalp her an why we have had to adapt to them  
 what we've had to deal with all the people in his been hard to do any strategic planning into we've had some floating  
 under wraths you've got the floor  
 Glenn Dickey: this year like you say at the end all of those have been working hard to get this set up there are the  
 ground I have not done a lot of strategic planning to 6 p.m. and I do have a letter ROM and count bid who may be  
 interested in doing a Web site for the foundation I am flying to work on getting a couple more quotes or budgets what  
 ever for that we need to get a WebSite out and get the information count on a WebSite beyond that we have not been  
 in much for this year and following year I would like to see our committee is active annex gap is putting together  
 sounds is committee of entrée a and strategic planning an event and everything that is about our have for now  
 Jeff: P/R committee was wary sense and a nine to take a whole lot was 9 on that committee and due to the  
 hectic nature of the past year I think that PR is probably our biggest area in which we are acting we have got to get  
 something going on that to get information out to the people we need and as we go into the next base of our meeting  
 where we will be electing a secretary we need to keep that in mind we need somebody that is willing not only can but  
 is willing to write for us and contact the magazine a get this tap out to the people at let's start putting this information in

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Jeff: that would be under old business

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Rick I think that this transition year that we have lareday went thourgh. It wasn't too bad with the new Foundation .. new prices going in versus the old prices that are in the Muzzel Blasts and stuff like this hear.. So I don't think it going to be hard.. to do another change Its just going to require another transition year.

Glenn I just wanted to make a point was This again comes up with the new one we are going to do but that in many cases the new changes are going to be money back to em so its going to be an easy one for them to swallow

Jeff and that will be ok for me

??? I don't the lady back here but she was talking about meny that availbe through grants does the Booshways for the 2000 have all that information

Jeff Problaly not yet I had no idea it was available.

Discussion That sounds like a great idea to us depends what stings are attached to it We could find out and pass that along as quickly as possible

Linda Uinfortualty it is ogint ot vary from state to state and they are going to have to check out it very carefully in their indivual states part of the money that could have granted or whatever to this Eastern Rendezvous we turned down because there wa some stipulations that went with it that did not meet with our Foundation type rules

Joe Like it has to open to the public everyday

Linda Exacty

?? There is a way to get arund that

Linda I was inexperinced at the time we'll work on it

??? You just put the sutlers where the people can get to them all the time and it is not going to bother anyone in camp Like the southeastern

Jeff Sometimes the lay of the land precludes that That is one of those situtation things that the delegates for that rendezvous and Booshway will need to get together on and make the decision toghther

Jeff Asks around the tent to each person

Glenn The MOU that we have sighend and have in place right now actulally is has an experiation date of Jan 1 2000 or December 31 2000 possibly under new business if we need to we'l just dicuss that and decide whether or not we are going to run with that for another year There is a coupel of things in there that ouwould be non existant points for the year 2000 some of them were for the 1<sup>st</sup> year only We will need to duscuss that under new business We can discuss it now if peope would like

Jeff It is up to you guys if you want to discuss it under od busines its not exactly old buinssess until that one runs out

Dick We would have to suspedn the order of business to discuss that

Jeff Lets do that with hew business

Dick nothing but about a comment from the Eastern for next year in a discussion what the Foundation fees like to fess should be in that we are going to have so much money next year that we will not have to worry about that and that kind of mind set I have talked to Rick B about that kind of stuff we have to keep that mind set out of peoples heads an make sure that they understand that it is a buinssess and each rendezvous on its own has to make it They are not going to dive into the coffers and burn up the money that is sitting there That there is a reason for it

Jeff Speaking of that Rick Flick with Red came over last night and sat down at my table and we talked for about 30 to 45 minutes byt the time they go up and left They have a new outlook on the Foundation now and they understadn what we are going to do and they realize that they have to play within our accounting system they cannot go outside of it and that their accounting system is redudent and I told them that in no uncertain terms I said its frine if you want ot have yoru independt audito come behind and check your books that's fine cause everyting is open to everybody but as far as putting in a new system on top of ours that will not happen cannot happen

Dick This is from the NMLRA the last time the CPA mentioned it an organization such as the NMLRA in these modern times with evetns changing as fast as they can should have a reserve of no less than 3 times their operating budget and possibly 4 times their operational budget to have a cushion for the future events That is something to thing about

Seems like a lot

Jeff What we had talked about up at the Northeastern was 100,000 when we put 100,000 in and then get on top of that 100,000 our operation budget for the year which I'm Rick I don't know what our operating budget for a year is we will know about that after this evetn over Im looking a probaly a totoal of at the most 150,000

Rick actually we will not have a total budget until after the Southeastern because the Southeastern was run under the NMRLA

Jeff When we get roughly 150,000 I think that with our acctoung systme the way it is and with the good heads we have behind it now I think that 150,000 is enough for us to weather a coupel of pretty bad storms cause we are not going to weather them and then not fix the boat after it starts leaking if you understadnw hat I'm saying

Jeff Glenn in old busiones I would like for you to bring us up to date on what happeneed at the September board meetign

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Glenn As far a Foundation we ran through the by-law amendent by-laws change the by-laws change was paroved by the NMLRA so that is a reality now because our board had already approved it For information see the copies I informed the new adminstination at Freidnship that I was interested in working as Chariman for you peple if you so want me and If I was elected to that position I would drop my membership on the Baord at Freidnship and that will happen as far as I am concerned the instant that takes place and he knows that and Mr Fulmer can take that inforamtion back to him

Meeting adjourned

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