Heritage Network Approved Meeting Minutes June 21, 2010

I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Minutes

President Joe Barreca called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at Kettle Falls Visitor Center.

Board members present: Joe Barreca, De Pelan, Kathy Berrigan, Bill Sebright, Janet Thomas, Ted and Dianne Eppler, Grady Knight, Joan Nullet, Harold Ingram Network member present: Glendine Leonard

Motion to approve May 17, 2010 meeting minutes made by Janet, seconded by Bill, passed.

II. Treasurer's Report

No treasurer's report was available.

III. Open Issues

Preserve America: The County posted job openings on Work Source to close July 11. There will be a meeting with the committee to make recommendations to the commissioners on whom to hire. Grady is to apply, and Joe already has. Part of the process is to draw up a plan and get it approved. There are no official forms to track hours yet.

Janet suggested that we need to refocus on what is to be researched. The Crossroads theme would include waterways, foot paths (to be funneled into tours around the County). We need permission to add books, and entries can be labeled with copyright info on the page. Discussion of searchable text vs. copy-able text. Museum people will learn about metadata, to be added to all scanned photos which will make them searchable. This will need to match what we are told to use – the server will dictate what is listed. Joe is to consult about direction to go, but he is waiting until he is officially hired to move forward with a meeting.

Prestini: The place that Glendine planned to rent on Main Street is not available, so another location is needed. The publicity is out and will be sent to museums: nice posters to distribute, postcards, flyers, hand outs. There is also an "interested party" mailing list, and more names can be added. The Italians in Trail might be particularly interested in Prestini. Flyers can be printed out from the Website, and Joe will send a reminder out to members after July 4 to that effect. Jack Nisbet is working on a story for *the Columbia Monthly*. Glendine has been communicating with Tom Bristol about publicity (Chewelah) and De is handling the Deer Park paper. Asked in paper if anyone has info or Prestini items. WA Museum Assn. was asked for a mailing list. There are many papers and outlets including e-mail that can be used.

SCC is to have a bus tour on the 21st to Clayton and Colville, then to Loon Lake. Tour guides would be nice to have, people who knew Leno to answer questions. Should we figure out how to record this info? De has a digital photo frame. A woman has photos who will meet with De and Karen Meyer on Tuesday.

Eagle: The Clayton eagle was wrapped in shrink wrap to protect it, but it was hard to remove. Grout was cleaned, the cracks widened and epoxied. Further restoration work will utilize silica sand and cement. It will be painted this week and seal coated. Grady advised using an alternate product rather than sealing with epoxy paint which can also seal in moisture. The eagle's loose head was remounted, and it is to face toward the old site of the terra cotta works. The footings (from Boundary Dam) were installed. A flagpole will be installed near the eagle. Discussion of donations that made installation happen. It will be unveiled on August 7 at Clayton Brickyard Days. There will be publicity in the local papers and on the Clayton/Deer Park Website.

Clay: There are some leftover tiles, some flowers. Replicas can be made, and a possible use is in benches. There may also be other pieces available.

Bill brought a 1904 photo of Springdale (by Denuty), Clayton kiln 1912, flume from Loon Lake to Arcadia/Deer Park, Clayton School 1918. Note that the old school at Marcus is made of Clayton clay.

THN maps: Joe brought maps for us; corrections can be made —send to Grady. New maps can be printed off the Website, and hours can be changed to stay up to date. De could resize it to a foldable size at some point. Discussion of how to handle non-renewing members. All were notified of need to renew dues. The best way may be to list non-members on a link. Ask individuals when they join if they want to be listed as "supporting members." Another possibility is to list the name only of non-member groups with no blurb. Let Grady handle it. List all dues payers. Grady moved, Janet seconded, motion to check Grady's listing, put together pages, look at and decide next meeting how we like it; motion passed.

THN mini-grant: So far, no applications have come in.

History Dollar: Jo read the poem called "A Plea for Kettle Falls" by Ben Camp Jr. (who had a ferry), the subject being the loss of the falls to Coulee Dam.

Bruce Brauner's film clips from 1939 were shown – Grady is picking up the complete original tomorrow. To watch later - the Dodd DVD.

We watched the Ceremony of Tears DVD, 1940 photos taken by Walter Gamble of Spokane. Senator Clarence Dill, responsible for the Grand Coulee Dam project, was speaking to the crowd, which included the San Poil chief. The DVD came to us by way of Sherry Dial of Northport. Another video at the Spokane library is "Echoes of the Past."

Next regular THN meeting is Monday, July 19 at 9:30 a.m. at the Chewelah City Hall downstairs conference room.

Recorded by secretary Kathy Berrigan