The Heritage Network Board Meeting July 18, 2011

In attendance: Susan Dechant, Barbara Swanson, Bill Sebright, Grady Knight, Sue Richart, Joe Barreca, Janet Thomas, Jackie Franks, and Lynn Wells

Meeting called to order: President Joe called the meeting to order at 9:34. Meeting held at the Chewelah City Hall.

Minutes of the June meeting: Corrections and updates were made. Bill moved and Sue Richart seconded the approval of the June Minutes. Motion carried.

800 Number: Sue discontinued the 800 number. The Historical Society will receive messages on its phone – 509-684-5968.

Next meeting: Cutter Theater and Joe will try to make arrangements to visit Tiger Historical Center.

Financial Report: Attached

Preserve America: Joe is scanning at the Library and the Historical Center. Mostly school yearbooks.

Sue is working on Chewelah, mainly Colonel Jenkins. She is also scanning other things as well such as the Bank of Chewelah papers. The list is too long to mention in detail here.

Volunteers are needed to do details on the project. It is time to do the recruitment. Their matching hours are needed for the grant.

Oral History Projects: Ray Depuydt, at NPS, is now requiring bids on the projects we have done in the past. He hopes to get three bids. A memo of understanding could be done and then this wouldn't be quite so hard.

Member updates: <u>Clayton</u> Brickyard Days and the Clayton Fair are coming up. Old Deer Park Newspapers have been digitized. People can contact Bill for copies. Prestini project is going on. Wally is transferring some audio tapes to digital.

<u>Valley</u> is working on the School House, but funds are weak. School quotes \$100,000 to fix it – due to it being on school property. Horizons will be working with them on possible funds

<u>Chewelah</u> museum is working on a full inventory of artifacts. Security cameras have been added to the museum. They are working on the inventory of books to evaluate the need for further security.

<u>Lynn Wells</u> reported on her personal work in the far southern part of the county. Avista has building that need to be in the hands of a non-profit organization rather than giving it to the State Parks system.

<u>Stevens County Historical Society</u> is seeing an increase in visitors. Mt. St. Michael is working on a museum. Grady has donated an outhouse to be used as a powder house in the mining display. The map project is moving along with Peter Coffin donating several recently. The Cabin project is moving ahead. The Colville Tribe has now responded and wants to be involved. Janet interviewed a McPherson descendant and got more details.

<u>NeWGS</u> is working on the names on the veteran's monument in the lawn at the courthouse. They are doing bios of the vets. Also working at digitizing some old newspapers that were microfilmed earlier.

Mini – Grants: No applicants have been received although some have filled out the application.

<u>History dollars</u> – Janet reported on a photograph in the museum of a man who served in the HBC Fort Colville.

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