

The Heritage Network  
Board of Directors  
November 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Jo Nullet, Vice President, at 1:34 PM at the Kettle Falls District Office of the National Park Service.

**Present** were Sue Richart, Bill Sebright, Kathy Berrigan, Karen Struve, Jo Nullet and Janet Thomas Secretary. Brandon Cadwell of Park Service was the host.

**Next meeting location:** Absent President Joe, the Stevens County Historical Society Learning Center was selected. If he changes the location he will notify the membership. The next meeting will be in March 2017.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** Karen moved and Bill seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Sue submitted the report.

**Revisit our bylaws:** A discussion was held about the bylaws particularly about membership. Sue moved and Karen seconded that Sue, Joe and Susan be a committee to start reviewing the bylaws for a major overhaul. Motion carried.

**Election of Officers:** A motion was made by Bill to case a unanimous ballot for those submitted on the ballot by Karen and Susan. Kathy seconded and the motion carried. It was suggested that President Joe contact Jackie and De to see what their interest in continuing as board members. Circumstances have been such that both have not attended for a year. See President Joe's attached notes.

**Network Map:** Jo routed around and a stack of forms for each group to fill out with details about their facility. Bill shared a copy of the current map for members to review. Sue will contact everyone who has a sheet but not here to determine their interest.

**Tri-County Historical Tours:** See President Joe's notes attached.

**Network Display:** See Joe's notes attached. Karen gave Sue Lori Matlock's contact numbers. Lori is the Fairgrounds Manager where the display is stored. Sue will make a contact with Lori about it and then get the information to Don's family who wants to use it for a display at his services December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Indian Agency Cabin:** Sue reported that the first payment was received. There is still some money being held until more work is completed.

At the urging of the State Historical Society DAHP was contacted regarding the shingles SCHS is planning to use and about the procedures used in restoring the windows. They agreed that SCHS was OK with both. Although they do not have approval they have been helpful and are the state clearinghouse for the National register/

The dedication is scheduled for late April of 2017. There are no details yet only that the cabin and grounds need to be in good condition by then.

For this project, Don McLaughlin was taking the lead in Visitor services and fund raising. So SCHS is trying to regroup on a fundraising plan.

Around the table:

**Sue:** Sue took digital copies of the Simms Papers to all three local tribes and will later get a copy to the Couer d' Alenes. She informed the group that the Spokanes have two offices that have information. One is the Membership Office and the other is the Preservation Office.

She also referenced the map that has recently surfaced by Do McConnell when researching in the National Archives.

Sue shared some letters from the Simms Papers with a Maryland Historical Society because of the content.

She finished book D of the County Commissioner's papers and is moving on to book E. In about 1907 the handwritten minutes turn into typed.

**NEWGS:** Susan reported that the Crossroads project is still going. They are getting contacts as a result.

The Ferry County View had a nice article about the Railroad Convention and the related materials.

The Grand Coulee project is still going. She took one name of and put another one on the list. Susan and Karen visited the area around the Dam regarding the site of the new monument. Susan got a contact from someone who wants to make a list of everyone who worked on the Dam. There is a Facebook page on the subject.

The NEWGS will have a monument for the Civil War Vets at the Evergreen Cemetery. It will be ready for Memorial Day 2017. Two more Vets were discovered and will be added.

**Kettle Falls Historical Center:** The Trail of Trees went on but without the entertainer who was ill and didn't show. They still have trees for sale, mostly fir.

**SCHS:** The Christmas tour will be December 2-4. There will be a contest about finding the mice in the house. There will be outside lights that can be seen from 395.

**Clayton/Deer Park Historical Center:** The Eagle was inspected and only a minor flaw was found and reported to the company who painted it and guaranteed the product used.

Some changes have been made in the town of Clayton near the eagle. Lots of trees have been taken down.

**Brandon:** Back in September they did a Moonlight Tour of the area near St. Paul's with Friend of Spokane House there to represent the fur traders. Although there were many competing activities and heavy rain all day there was a good crowd. The Friends activity at the Park is the weekend closest to the full moon in September.

They will be doing work in the cemetery area near St. Paul's mission for future displays.

**Kettle Falls Public Library:** There is a new display of photographs from their collection similar to a photo frame on a big screen.

Meeting adjourned by Jo