

HAF Board Meeting Minutes
2/17/2008; ACHM

Present: Ross, Michael, Coleen, Elliott, Marlene, Roy, Robert, Jim, Lynn Harrison, Sharon, Donna, Dede.

Guest: Nancy Wilds.

Welcome new board members-Sharon and Lynn.

Old Business:

1. Nancy spoke to the board regarding Anne Morgan Colgin marker on Park Ave facing the Morgan fountain. She spoke on the history of the family and why the marker was appropriate. Anne helped preserve Aiken. HAF decision will go to City Council. The marker might say "In honor of Anne Morgan Moore Colgin, granddaughter of, a dedicated preservationist, and a loyal friend to Aiken." Include dates. There was discussion. The procedure is to submit letter (include pictures) to Roger for city council and attend meeting. HAF will pay. Vote was for.
2. Annual meeting discussion-Positive and negative. Board discussed moving time frame away from MLK holiday weekend. May want to change by-laws (agenda item). The presentation was great. Facility was accommodating. We should pre select for next year. Hospitality and awards committees did a great job. We need more coverage from the Aiken Standard-with an article and more pictures. However we should be careful with our approach. We may want to beef up pre meeting advertising but be mindful of space and refreshments. Suggestion for a telephone tree for the paid membership. Presenter for next meeting (agenda item)? There has been an awards and certificate change.
3. Roy- Book discussion. We still have 1st edition. Retail is \$40. How much HAF receives is inconsistent. Other locations possible as Aiken Office Supply and other retailers-antique mall, hotels-Wilcox, Art center. Roy will continue research for next meeting (agenda item) and will give recommendation. Lynn pointed out importance of uniform and/or justifiable position with all outlets
4. Website-changes? Enhancements? Use Pay Pal for on line joining-cost? Discussion of membership list on website. Handbook can go on website as well as other links. Marlene will research. Coleen will write up summary of DRB for the website.
5. Treasurer's report- Paid membership-131. As a reminder that HAF membership is tax deductible-put in newsletter. Discussion on acknowledgements.

New Business:

6. Landmark conference – in Columbia, SC on 3/26 & 27. Ross will be going. Anyone else?

7.HAF office-contribution to ACHM? We gave \$1000 in May 2007. For 2008 and 2009 will give \$1000.

8. Spring project – for general membership. Discussion included Preservation Park-for private tour in the fall – check with Elliott. Coker Spring? Cooperative project-adopt a highway –clean up Richland Ave. Museum?-Ask Elliott. Decision and general plan to be accomplished at April meeting

9. Question about Walmac Stable – no information

10. Façade easements – what position does HAF take? Tax advantage for owner. We need expert-architect? History discussion of present easements.

10. We need a new board member – Susan Jacobs has declined. (agenda item or send by email).

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