Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, June 7, 2012
Old Courthouse Museum

Present: Virgil Andersen, Sandy Dean, Michelle Erpenbach, Ron Helwig, Mary Dean Janklow, Beth MacDonald, Glenda Schmid, Tim Schendel, Bill Hoskins, Robert Kolbe (President of the Minnehaha County Historical Society)

Absent: Pat McGreevy, Jeff Barth, Marty DeWitt

Tim Schendel called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM.

The minutes of the May Meeting were adopted as printed.

Public Input:

Copies of Newspaper articles and Thank You notes were passed around.

Reports:

Beth delivered the Alliance Report. The Pork Raffle is planned for the Flag Exhibit opening on June 14. Planning for the next Historic Homes Tour on July 19 is moving forward.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director briefly reviewed the Financial Report for April and May, 2012 which was e-mailed to board members prior to the meeting. Bill also handed out a print out of the County General Fund Balances as of April 30.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director presented the Director’s Report for May including some highlights for the month. Highlights included:

- Overall attendance is up 8.6% over the same period last year.
- Underwear Exhibit closed and Flags is being installed. Scheduled to Open Flag Day, June 14.
- The sign for the Collections Center is up.

Regular Business

The Chair directed that the July Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 12 at the Old Courthouse Museum instead of on July 5.

Bill handed out a proposal from Bob Winkles with attachment. Sanford is requesting the removal of soil from the right of way for 54th Street for use by Sanford in their project.
Motion by Virgil and seconded by Michelle;

A resolution recommending the Minnehaha County Commission approve a proposal from Sanford Health Systems regarding the rough grading for future 54th Street right of way. WHEREAS, the Siouxland Heritage Museums, an organization created by Joint-Cooperative Agreement between the City of Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County; And WHEREAS, Bob and Kari Hall gave Tract 1, Hall’s Addition to Minnehaha County to provide a location for the construction of a facility dedicated to the safe, secure and environmentally controlled storage of the Museum’s Collection; And WHEREAS, The future access to the Minnehaha County Property shall be from the future 54th Street; And WHEREAS, The proposed arrangement will save the taxpayers of Minnehaha County approximately $222,000 in the development of the Museum site; and WHEREAS, the proposed grading is to the mutual interest of Sanford Health and Minnehaha County in furthering access to public projects: Now therefore, be it resolved by the Board of the Siouxland Heritage Museums: That the Siouxland Heritage Museum Board recommends the approval of the Sanford Health proposal of June 1, 2012.

The motion passed on vote.

Bill reviewed the process for the sale of County Property. There was some discussion of how much property should be retained, costs of the project, funding of the project. The Chair directed that the Museum Director prepare a draft resolution for the Museum Board’s consideration for the August Meeting.

Robert Kolbe, President of the Minnehaha County Historical Society and Member of the Century Fund Board reported on the activities of the Century Fund Board relative to the historic buildings at the Sioux Empire Fair Grounds.

The meeting Adjourned at 12:35 PM.

Museum Mission: “The Siouxland Heritage Museums is dedicated to enhancing the experience of learning for our community, its families and visitors through collections, preservation and interpretation of history”