

LINCOLN LEGACY COMMITTEE

Urbana Free Library, Ground Floor Conference Room

210 West Green Street, Urbana, IL

Tuesday, October 25, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Wysocki called the meeting of the Lincoln Legacy Committee to order at 5:06 p.m.

Roll Call

Committee members present: Barbara Wysocki, Anke Voss, Kay Grabow, Kent Tucker, Jack Anderson, Ray Cunningham

Others present: None

Approval of the Agenda/ Addendum

Cunningham moved and Tucker seconded to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

Approval of the minutes

Grabow moved and Anderson seconded to approve the September 27, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion approved.

Public Participation

None

OLD BUSINESS

1. General updates

Grabow said she heard that Bloomington and Alton received Lincoln highway signs that were not DAR, or Lincoln Trail signs, but from the Lincoln Heritage Trail. Tucker said he would check on it with the ALPLM.

2. Review of meeting with local historical organizations

Cunningham said that the Cattle Bank has been spruced up.. Grabow said the improvements should help with upcoming exhibits. She said accessibility was good, but ramps will be needed.

Voss asked if the Cattle Bank will be opened in winter. Wysocki said right now the CB is open on weekends.

Anderson said in California, artifacts are moved to work environments for viewing. He said it increased interest in history. Voss said there needed to be reading material and school visitors to increase interest as well.

Wysocki said she will approach Jim Cheek at the Rantoul Historical Society to have the next meeting.

Anderson said the Open Meetings Act could be met by having a regular meeting 15 minutes prior to the other meeting in Rantoul.

3. New meeting schedule

Wysocki said the LLC members talked last month about a quarterly meeting schedule. Tucker said it would be in January, April, July and October on the last Tuesdays of the months. Anderson moved and Tucker moved to adopt the new quarterly meeting schedule as discussed with special meetings as needed. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Wysocki said the LLC needed to discuss adding new members and for having a member on the State Bicentennial Commission. Wysocki suggested Michael Pollock, a history teacher. The LLC members discussed Pollock's background. Voss asked if the University of Illinois was interested in having a representative. Wysocki said the U. of I. may put forward a name, but the LLC needs one now for progress continuation. Wysocki suggested Antionette Burden, a retired U. of I. History Department member.

Anderson said we need a person who is action oriented. He will see if the county can contribute mileage money, but no promises.

Wysocki said she can approach Michael Pollock.

The LLC members sketched out criteria for a new LLC member who would also be on the State Bicentennial Commission. Thee LLC members decided the person should have an interest in history; be a liaison with local groups; be a spokesperson for local events and project; be a fundraiser. Anderson said we may want local representatives and senators to submit names. Anderson suggested contacting Mike Frerichs for names. Wysocki said she would.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

The next LLC meeting will be November 29, 2016.

Adjournment

Anderson moved and Cunningham seconded to adjourn. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Kent Tucker

Secretary