MUSEUM OF SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORY HISTORICAL COMMISSION June 19, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Donna Bundy, Rosalie Cook, Robert Hughes, Eunice Mann, Beverly Mason, Esther McKean, Johnnie Richardson, Jim Robison, Cecil Tucker, Bob Turnage and Paul Zuromski.

Members Absent: Carolyn Bistline, Ettie-Jane Keogh, Beverly Myers and Imogene Yarborough.

Guests: Jeff Eldridge & Diane Koschwitz with the Employee Academy, Don Epps and Mrs. Cecil Tucker.

Staff Present: Kim Nelson and Kathi Clifford

Location: Museum of Seminole County History 300 Bush Blvd. Sanford, FL 32773

Johnnie Richardson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. There is **a quorum** in attendance.

Opening Ceremonies:

- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Richardson introduced the guests, Jeff Eldridge & Diane Koschwitz with the Employee Academy, and the new member, Bob Turnage, who gave a brief bio of himself.

Mr. Richardson asked if there are any additions, corrections and/or deletions to the May meeting minutes. There were none. Beverly Mason made a **motion** to accept the minutes as submitted. Donna Bundy seconded the motion. The minutes were **approved** unanimously.

Museum Monthly Report

-Ms. Nelson distributed and reviewed the Museum's May monthly report. Discussion followed.

Society Report – Don Epps Reported:

- The Centennial Book will be sold at the Geneva 4th of July celebration. The Sanford Airport has been reimbursed 61%.
- At today's Society meeting Mr. Tucker advised he has a grove tractor he could donate to the Museum. The Society is considering siding for the Pole Barn as well as a permanent plaque listing contributors for the Pole Barn. There was also discussion of a bronze plaque listing those instrumental in starting the Museum.
- -Mr. Epps announced that the new Historical Marker Tour Book with GPS coordinates has arrived.

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-The speaker at the Society's August 14th quarterly meeting will be Walter Scudder.

Subcommittee Reports:

- Accession Subcommittee Paul Zuromski said there has been no activity and there is nothing to report. He did remind members the stall at the Antique Mall can use donations.
- **Programming Subcommittee** –Jim Robison has nothing to report.
- **Historical Marker Subcommittee** Mr. Tucker said he will get more information for the Experimental Station Marker from Walter Scudder at the Society's August meeting.

Old Business

- **Grant Updates-**Ms. Nelson reported that she submitted a Florida Cultural Arts grant for the Sanford Herald digitization project. She also submitted a Florida Humanities Council grant for next year's summer exhibit of the artwork from pieces of The Senator.
- Ms. Mason asked about the status of the **camphor tree stump project**. Ms. Nelson reported that the project is on hold. Ms. Nelson has not been advised if the BCC will be looking for the funds to restore the stump or if she needs to find time to prepare a grant request.

New Business:

- The Alligator Exhibit opening went well. Jim Duby spoke about alligators. About 30 people attended. Foot traffic has improved with the opening of the exhibit.

Other Business:

- Ms. Nelson reported that on Saturday, August 9th, from 10 11:00 a.m. there will be a children's program with alligator themes.
- Mr. Hughes advised that the Museum might be in possession of some prints of The Senator that belong to Don. They are numbered and he can provide a list. Mr. Hughes will have him get in touch with Ms. Nelson.
- Mr. Tucker mentioned that he thinks there is room in the pole barn for his grove tractor. Much discussion followed.
- Mr. Richardson asked if anyone had information regarding an ice cream social in Geneva. Mr. Hughes said he thinks it is being held at the Geneva Museum.

Mr. Richardson advised the members that the next meeting will be held on July 17th.

Adjournment: There was no other business and Donna Bundy moved to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Beverly Mason. Mr. Richardson declared the meeting **adjourned** at 3:50 p.m.