



Museum Committee Meeting – Minutes
Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Members Present:

Dot LaMarche
Sue-Ann Hansler
Joyce Moran
Bill Rhodes
Bill Battle
Eric Johnson
Beverley Hammond
Paul Bergen
Aubrey Conger (Student)

Members Absent:

Christopher Carnes
David White (Alderman)

Staff in Attendance:

Ron Oestreich

Prior to Call to order, our new Student Rep, Aubrey Conger introduced herself. The Committee introduced themselves as well.

1. Dot Called the meeting to Order at 12:00pm

2. Approval of Minutes from 5/28/24 Meeting

Motion: Joyce

2nd: Bill R

Motion Passed

3. Election of New Officers

- Bill Rhodes nominated Sue-Ann Hansler for Chair
- Bill Battle nominated Bill Rhodes for Vice-Chair
- Bill Battle nominated Joyce Moran for Secretary – she declined.
- Bill Rhodes nominated Beverley Hammond for Secretary.

FY25 Museum Board –

Chair – Sue-Ann Hansler

Vice-Chair Bill Rhodes

Secretary – Beverley Hammond

Motion: Dot

2nd: Bill Battle

Motion Passed

4. Committee Goals FY25 – Ron

- **New Chair Sue-Ann asked Ron to report.**
- **Ron updated the Committee on Dot's report to the Board for FY24 activity**
- **Ron then introduced the FY25 tentative Goals**
 - Ron shared the new Battle of Campbell Station Greenway Historical Marker that will be installed. He suggested the Committee be part of the unveiling of the marker when it is scheduled in September.
 - Assist with Freaky Friday Fright Night at Mayor Bob Leonard Park on Friday Oct 25.
 - Plan and execute a Battle of Campbell Station event in November.
 - Plan and execute a Day of Infamy event in December.
 - Plan and execute a Grand Re-opening of the Museum in the Spring.
 - Recruit more volunteers for the Museum.
 - Develop a program for the Spring / Summer.
 - Develop and execute a new Parade Float idea. (one idea discussed was a birthday cake for Admiral Farragut – since his actual birthday is July 5.

5. Review of Trip to East Tennessee History Museum and Maybrey-Hazan House - ALL

- **After a review of both locations, the Committee discussed the following items as potential improvements.**
 - Asking Adam from ETHM to assist with our displays.
 - Look into purchasing new display cabinets for the 3 Museum Room.
 - Once opened – make it a goal to rotate the artifacts in museum the 3rd room more often.
 - Create a website system to show all of the Farragut Museum artifacts.
 - Use the stage more for events at the Museum
 - Have weekly or monthly times in which we have a volunteer serve as Admiral Farragut and walk people through the Museum.
 - Paul asked us to consider a display of horse teams that took people across the river.
 - Develop some fun special events such as Night at the Museum and Music nights using the Stage.
 - We need to determine Museum hours when we get closer to opening.

6. Battle of Campbell Station Event Discussion

- Event is secured for Sunday 11/17 at Community Center Assembly Hall.
- Eric expressed desire for us to reach out to the 3 local historians to do the event.
- Bill Rhodes will contact Gerald Augustus, Jerry Key, and Bill Hopwood.
- Ron will call Tim Vane to see if they want to contribute.
- Sue-Ann will lead the book sales.
- More on this at our next meeting.

7. Upcoming Committee Activity - Freaky Friday Fright Night – October 25 (MBLP). 5pm to 7pm

8. Motion to Adjourn at 1:10pm. M – Bill Battle. 2nd. – Bill Rhodes.

Upcoming Museum Committee Events Dates

Tuesday, September 24	1:00pm	Committee Meeting	Farragut Community Center
Friday, October 25	5 to 7pm	Freaky Friday	Mayor Bob Leonard Park
Tuesday, October 29	1:00pm	Committee Meeting	Farragut Community Center
Sunday, November 17	1pm to 2:30pm	Battle of Campbell Station Event	Farragut Community Center
Tuesday, November 26	1:00pm	Committee Meeting	Farragut Community Center
No Meeting in December			