

Claiborne Association Board Meeting
May 15, 2025

In Attendance: Jennifer Shea, Phil Sayre, Terry Babb, Will Murdoch, Maura Bollinger, Martha Hamlyn, Suzanne Todd, Carrie Kahn, Jim Wilkens

Minutes: March minutes distributed in advance were approved by motion and vote.

Treasurer's Report

- General Operating Account = \$14,569; Building Reserve CD = \$15,210; Endowment invested with Wm Blair = \$153,611. Relatively unchanged – just a few reimbursements.
- Phil e-filed the federal tax form (no tax due). Also filed with State of Maryland so we remain in good standing. Will owe \$70 in July for Bay Restoration Fund. Maura took a quick look at what was filed verifying it was correct form based on the endowment and value of the building.
- Phil is waiting for return call from insurance agent to schedule a review. The insurance premium is our biggest expense. It includes property as well as officers and directors liability (after this meeting it was confirmed we do not have D&O insurance at this time). The building is insured for \$388,000. Will said actual replacement is probably 3X that amount. Some questions are whether to insure full value, increase to higher deductible. If we were to put in a sprinkler system Will felt it would be about \$10,000. We could also get other quotes.

Fundraising

There hasn't been any active fundraising. We lost Jeanne Kuperberg on the committee and need a replacement to join Libby and James.

History

- Marty Bollinger is taking over the history project and will be meeting with Priscilla and Kirke. He came up with the tag line "A Century Apart – A Century Together".
- Jennifer will include the "then and now" photo in the Clarion with a link should anyone want to purchase their own. In the meantime the photo will be framed and displayed with the original.
- There was discussion whether we should consider using the photo as a donor gift.

Welcome

Carrie and Josh put together a list and found that a lot of the information is on the website so people can be directed there. They have come up with a google map to use as they meet people they can fill in names and other notes associated with the houses.

Program

- Martha reported on recent activities. Movie night finished up with a meal and as a result well attended. The Spring meeting and potluck was held with the photo reenactment. Followed by Cinco de Mayo, Abby's engagement party and spring cleaning.
- While cleaning notes were made on items for repair – for example the screen frames needed to be sanded and painted. Rob has removed them for now. There was discussion that

Program Committee shouldn't be organizing spring cleaning – we need a building maintenance committee.

- Upcoming events are an Art Night with Cathy Evans, 4th of July parade and ice cream. Cathy will connect with Alan Wright to schedule a presentation of his photography.
- Busy Graham hasn't come to us with any concerts so far. Summer picnic/general meeting will be August 16.
- Rebecca Cockey has a connection with Mike Milke (??) a local farmer who could give a presentation of what's going on in the farming community. Priscilla may be able to schedule a talk by Dan Small, Washington College, on his Natural Lands project.

Grounds

- There are people interested in helping but no one stepped up to manage. To do ourselves, we need a manager and 2 to 3 people on a team.
- When Libby's crew comes the next time Carrie will meet with them and see what he does and how he charges.
- Discussed how the lawn is getting cut. We haven't been charged and at least need to post a thank you note in the Clarion.

Building

Will reported the AC units will have spring maintenance next week.

Nominating

The Committee, Kirke, Mary, Pat, will be approaching people and work up a slate to present for vote at the summer picnic.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8 p.m. Next meeting Thursday June 19.