

## **ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Bob Zahler, President, called the Board Meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 7:08 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116. The directors present were Sheldon Barthel, Rose Ann Gindele, Brendan Sage, John Robeck, Stephen Barthel, Matthew Eiyneck, John Jaeb, Lisa Marx, Harry Welter, and Earl Vetsch. A few corrections were made to the minutes from the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, a motion was made by Harry and seconded by Lisa; the motion carried.

### **Reports & Business**

**President's Report** – Bob had nothing to report, but thanked Sheldon for acting as president at the last meeting.

**Treasurer's Report** – The balance was reported to be at \$7,614.44 with a total of \$58.78 in expenses, and \$150.00 in deposits.

**Website** – Over the last month the website visits numbered 32,486. Steve shared that the new photos of members were sent to Emily to update to the “meet us” portion on the website; Bob suggested sending the pictures to Curt since Emily is no longer with the website host company.

**Media Specialist** – Crystal could not attend the meeting.

**Newsletter** – Sheldon discussed potential ideas for the next newsletter; possibly on Fr. Dennis Dease the University of St. Thomas president who is a St. Michael High School Alumni and is retiring. Also, another article included would be part two of Bob's civil war story.

**Membership** – Sheldon informed the society that the member total is currently at 96 members.

**Old Business** – Although there was no great turnout to the Gravestone Preservation Seminar, a few members cleaned a handful of gravestones that are now identifiable thanks to their efforts. The event did raise awareness to the gravestone preservation issues the cemeteries are having. Bob reminded the society that it still has to raise the money for the “Illumination” project but there is nothing new to report. Also, the city will take care of the contract with “Kilian Electric” and is still in progress. The society's responsibility is simply to provide the digital photo display. The fire department is on board with the society using a historic fire truck for the “Daze and Knights” parade thanks to Calvin Schoen. Matthew motioned to participate in the “Daze and Knights” parade; Harry seconded it. The motion carried.

**New Business** – There was no new business to discuss.

**Announcements** – The next meeting will take place on July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116.

**Adjournment** – Harry motioned to end the meeting; Lisa seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendan Sage, Secretary