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**Minutes of the Board of Directors
 Pratt Hall, Montgomery Village
 Wednesday, October 19, 2011 @ 5:30 PM**

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

Board Members and Members Present:

Board Members - Scott Perry, Sue Wilson, Pat Farmer, Parma Jewett, Elsie Saborowski

Scott called the Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Recognition visitors/guests: None

History Quiz:

The 1871 Beers map of Montgomery shows a building called the Town House in Montgomery Center. What is there now?

- a. The Town Hall b. [The Town Office](#) c. Cota's Nursery d. Inn on Trout River

What was located there previously, circa 1971? [The Town Garage](#)

Show and Tell: Jean Cyr donated old pictures of Montgomery including one of the Clapp Farm, the Common "tennis court", and the Methodist Church parsonage. Scott also shared the Civil War miniature quilt Sharon made IHO his great grand father Hiram. Scott also shared a draft "Short History of Pratt Hall" to leave in the pews to answer frequent questions.

Minutes: Minutes from September 21st were accepted as written as moved by Parma and seconded by Pat with the motion passing unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report – 10/19/11:

Checking balance \$ 6,274.80
 Lalia Pratt Hays CD 594.45
 Stained Glass windows CD..... \$ 5,785.51
 Michael Domina Print Savings Acct..... 707.89

Loan balance: \$ 0.00

72 Affinity members

Art Show / Member Reception showed a profit of \$530.82. This was due to the sale of the Franz Pichler painting donated to the Society by Bob Bonnell. The picture was purchased by his family.

The 2011 "Concerts By The Common" showed a profit of \$1,145.26. Sue noted the Diller Quaille grant was crucial otherwise the series would have broken even.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted by acclamation. Motion by Elsie seconded by Parma.

Membership: Not available at the meeting but reported via phone afterwards as 211 members and membership donations totaling \$11,200.

Old business:

A. Pratt Hall: We are waiting for the final wall and ceiling patch work and finishing before painting, floor finishing and electrical.

B. Town History Book Update: Nothing further.

C. The events list was reviewed. Two speakers are being line up for next spring.

D. Zack's Celebration of Life: Cleaning and set up will be on Oct 28th at 9:00 a.m. This will likely include a "flash" exhibit which we hope to keep up for a week or two afterwards.

E. Scott and Parma are continuing work on the calendar and hope to have it finalized by Oct. 29th.

F. Scott, Pat and Marijke attended the meeting of the Franklin/Grand Isle regional Societies held at Richford earlier in the day.

G. Radar scope:

- Teaching American History Grant
- Domina print fundraiser
- Old maps project
- Grant writing
- VT History Expo 2012 (Civil War)
- Ave Leslie presentation will be in the Spring.
- Speakers – Group of Seven Art Movement in Canada, & Ethan Allen and the Canadian Connection will be next year.
- Clayton Fuller artifacts/Ephemera
- VHS Annual Meeting, Sep 24th, Montpelier
- LLHS Annual Meeting, Nov 4th, Montpelier. Scott, Bill, Pat, Marijke, Parma, Sue, and Elsie will attend (so far).

New business: Water to Pratt Hall will be turned off on October 31st. Scott will winterize and check to see if we need any fuel oil.

Adjourn: Parma moved and Pat seconded a Motion to adjourn. The meeting ended at 6:15

Next meeting Wednesday, November 16th, 2011 - 5:30 PM at the Public Safety Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Perry