

BROWN-FISHER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
15 JULY 2017 10 A.M.

The 2017 second quarterly meeting of the Brown-Fisher Association, Inc. was held at Michael Braun's House in GRANITE Quarry on July 25, 2017. President Stephen W. Brown called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: Stephen W. Brown, S. Deane Brown, Patricia B. Beck, Larry Brown, Juanita Lagg, Cathy Kirchin, Sarah Z. Brown, Doug Robinson, Norman Ribelin, Debbie Taylor, Paul Bryan Walker, Rod Kesler, Carolyn Miller, Ken Clifton and Aaron Kepley. Special quest: Kat Clifton and Randy Lassiter. Absent: Linda Shelton, Candace Brown and Keith Wolf.

Aaron Kepley served the board members sausage cooked on the open fire and biscuits baked in the newly reconstructed period-correct oven. Cinnamon buns were also baked in the oven. Stephen Brown brought a yummy pound cake. Larry Brown furnished the beverages.

GERMANFEST – President Brown recognized Randy Lassiter who talked to the board about the upcoming events connected with the Germanfest event on Saturday, September 17, 2017 on the grounds of the Old Stone House. This event is a fund raiser for the Rowan Museum and the Old Stone House. Larry Brown discussed the 4K walk that will also take place that day.

MINUTES: Minutes of the April 29, 2017 meeting were distributed and approved.

TREASURER: Larry Brown distributed copies of the current financial report and reviewed several items.

MEMBERSHIP: Juanita Lagg reported 238 members and 167 Life Memberships to date. Members discussed ways to recruit new members, and new ways of paying dues, such as PayPal.

OLD STONE HOUSE PROPERTY: President Brown opened the floor for discussion regarding the caretaker's house. Caretaker Andy Eller has been renting and is still living in the house. S. Deane Brown made a motion that Aaron Kepley be authorized to send Mr. Eller a letter by registered mail informing him that he should be out of the house by August 10, 2017. Sarah Brown seconded the motion and the motion carried.

WEBSITE: Kat Clifton, our website manager, updated the board on the workings of the website. She has yet to bill us for her services. Kat answered questions from the board members. She will tie in our website with the Rowan Museum and other web sites pertaining to our organization. Discussion occurred regarding enhancing the website with board member names and reunion information. The secretary will furnish her with updates on board members and reunion material. Our websites are www.brownfisher.org and www.brownfisherassociation.org.

PARKING LOT: Aaron gave a review on how the parking lot is being used to the advantage of the Old Stone House.

LAND SCAN: Norman Ribelin has a new program he has used to scan the property of the Old Stone House and surrounding property. (I reviewed the program later and it is fascinating.)

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be on Saturday 21st October 2017 10 a.m. at the Old Stone House, followed by a tour of the caretaker's house.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting closed at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia B. Beck, secretary