

INNSBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

11 February 2025

Present: David Boeckmann, Wayne Edwards, Teresa Edwards, Mary Ann Barton, Paula Dooley, Debbie Price, Rick Baldini, Brad Hanson, Bernie Cosby, and Kris Doder.

Meeting convened at 1:00 pm

MEETING:

1. Minutes -

Minutes of the 12 November 2024 Meeting were seconded and approved.

2. Financial – Teresa Edwards.

- a. The Closeout Financial Report for the fiscal year 2024 was reviewed, seconded and approved.
- b. The Budget for the fiscal year 2025 was reviewed, seconded and approved.
- c. There was a discussion on establishing a “Rainy Day Fund”. Teresea Edwards will research the tax implications of such a fund.
- d. Teresa Edwards was nominated, seconded, and approved for the position of Treasurer.

3. Membership Drive Update – Paula Dooley

- a. The Membership solicitation letters were released in January.
- b. Currently there are 57 new memberships (\$22,000).
- c. Reminder letters will be sent at the end of February.

4. Barn Dedication/Opening – Wayne Edwards

- b. There will be a Barn Dedication. Date to be decided.
- c. It was proposed that railings be installed around the Cabin to assist those who have trouble walking. What type of railing, costs and where it would be installed needs to be explored.

5. Driveway Update – Dave Boeckmann

- a. A decision was made to hire Niemann Services to address issues with the Cabin driveway.
- b. Niemann Services will be donating time and machinery. IHS will only pay for materials.

6. Discovery Day—Paula Dooley

- a. Discovery Day will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2025 from 1:30 to 4:30 pm.
- b. There was a discussion regarding what would be included in the program. Paula will convene a committee meeting later in the month.

7. Golf Tournament—Scott Francin

- a. Scott was unable to attend the meeting. His report was presented by David Boeckmann.
- b. The Tournament will be held 19 May 2025 at the Innsbrook Golf Course. The cost remains \$90 per golfer for 18 holes. Starting time is 11:00, with golf beginning at 1:00. There will be lunch, raffles, and gift bags. This year a team may only play nine (9) holes, if they desire. However, they will still be required to pay \$90 per golfer. Sponsors and volunteers are needed. “Save the Date” information will be published.

8. Wifi/Cellphone for Village area – Dave Boeckmann

- a. A router was installed in the School House by Mike Lyles. It has been placed out of reach of the public.

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- b. The following companies will be installing 'hot spots' to enhance Wi-fi coverage: AT&T, Verizon, and T-Mobile.
- c. A plug has been installed at the School House.
- d. Looking forward to having the work completed by the end of March.

9. Cemetery Tour—Elizabeth Mohrman

- a. Elizabeth Mohrman was unable to attend the meeting. Her report was presented by Paula Dooley.
- b. Cemetery tour date – Saturday, October 11 12 to 4 pm
 - **Cemeteries:** Hoping to have all the cemeteries from the last tour, also Middelkamp Cemetery. Will be contacting the property owners asap for permission.
 - **Committee:** Working on assembling the committee, already have five thinking of up to ten for the committee itself. The first meeting will be determined shortly.
 - **Volunteers:** So far 44 people have volunteered to help! Curtis will be creating the map again as he did for the last tour, huge thanks to he and Terri for doing this.
 - **Docents:** Hoping to have some of the same from the last tour, if they are available. Additionally, we might have some Middelkamp (if we are able to have that cemetery on the tour) and Schnuck family descendants at the event to meet and talk to people as well as Roger Held, with his family cemetery.
 - **Biographical Information:** Have everything from the last tour and have been able to add more. Will continue to work on this. Will also have a binder of pictures, census copies, Civil War records, etc if any care to peruse it.
 - **Publicity:** The word is already being spread, thanks to the IHS. Will also utilize the various Facebook pages for the community. Planning to come up with an eye-catching flyer.
 - **Clean-up:** Met with Jerry Prouhet, who has been working on some headstones at the Harmonie cemetery. The Middelkamp and Schnuck families both plan to hire him to work on their respective cemeteries to preserve them better this Spring.
 - **Permissions:** I contacted Dawn Scott, the program director for the Missouri State Historic Preservation office, to be sure we were not doing anything we should not be doing as far as the Schnuck cemetery. She clarified that we are not, permissions for all cemeteries for anything done is up to the respective landowner. Also, Missouri law states that descendants have the right to visit family cemeteries, even if located upon private grounds.

10. Education at the Village – David Boeckmann, Kris Doder, Mary Ann Barton

- a. IHS will be exploring the possibility of contracting local storytellers to speak at the Cabin. These occasions could be advertised like Porch Music events.
- b. Kris Doder will be work with the St. Charles City Home School Association to schedule Field Trips to the Innsbrook Historical Village.
- c. Kris is working with Camp Innsbrook leaders to provide event days at the (June 6 and July 11, 2025) at the Village. Also, to have Story Hours at the School House on June 12 & 28, and July 17, 31, 2025.
- d. Volunteers will be needed to assist with these events.

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11. Missouri Historical Society Membership—David Boeckmann

It was proposed that IHS continue their membership in the Missouri Historical Society. This motion was seconded and approved.

12. IHS Website Coordinator—David Boeckmann

The Website is aging and requires update. David Boeckmann will be contacting IBK to discuss the issue with their website developers and to research a way forward with this project.

13. Maintenance of Cabin, etc. – Brad Hanson

- a. Issues need to be addressed concerning the cleanliness of the restrooms.
- b. Sherry Wyatt needs to be kept informed of events that will be taking place at the Village.
- c. Items are being dropped off and removed from the Cabin and other displays without the knowledge of the Archivist. An issue that needs to be addressed.

14. Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 pm

15. Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 1:00 at the Commons.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Price, Secretary, IHS