

AMITE COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of June 14, 2014 meeting
Approved by vote of members attending the August 9, 2014 meeting

President Dawn Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:21 am in the meeting room of the Liberty library. There were 19 attendees. Walt Gaston gave the invocation and blessed the refreshments.

President Taylor remarked that one purpose of the meeting was to honor Mrs. Vera Prestridge for her service with the Little Red Schoolhouse. She gave a brief tribute to Mrs Vera and presented her with a thank-you gift from the society. Pres. Taylor then explained that all were invited to partake of the wide variety of refreshments once the meeting and the voting were completed.

Pres. Taylor then moved to the draft April and May meeting minutes. She asked if anyone had corrections or objections to the draft minutes. Hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve the April minutes. Sam King made a motion to adopt the minutes; Linda Lea seconded. The motion was approved by all present. The process was repeated for the May minutes with Debbie Miller making the motion to approve and Mary Ann Gerhardt seconding. The motion was approved.

President Report:

- Heritage Day went very well. She thanked all those who helped and thanked outside volunteers.
- Pres. Taylor and others met with the Chamber of Commerce about the Battle of Liberty observance.
- A new web page specifically for the Battle of Liberty has been created. Pres. Taylor plans to use a blog feature on this site to post more detailed write-ups about Amite County subjects.
- She thanked David Dreyer and Allen Terrell for donations of books to the society.
- She recognized Bert Blalock who presented a donated work of art created by a native of Amite County, Dennis Blalock

Vice President Report: VP Nancy Martin was not present.

Secretary Report: Secy. Anderson had no report..

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report shows a bank balance of \$10,889.99. Greg Barron made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report; Sam King seconded. The report was approved by unanimous vote.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

- The Battle of Liberty commemoration elements planned thus far include the commemorative doubloons, T-shirts, and tickets for the drawing.
- At the current time, arrangements have been made for three churches to operate food vending booths. Three more are being sought.
- The society will also commemorate the Battle of Franklin during the Battle of Liberty commemoration..

LRSB COMMITTEE:

- Greg Barron explained that he has replaced Mrs. Vera Prestridge as chair of the LRSB Committee but added that she is still on the committee.
- The LRSB was cleaned top to bottom at the first of June.
- There are an increased number of genealogical researchers coming to visit.
- He explained how the Battle of Liberty commemorative doubloon came about. This is the second issue of a doubloon, the first being the Bicentennial doubloon. More issues with other themes will likely be done in the future. The front side of each issue will reflect the theme or purpose of the doubloon while the back side will the same for all issues. The society has 267 of the Battle of Liberty doubloon to sell.

Greg Barron made a motion to accept the committee reports; Linda Lea seconded. The committee reports were approved without dissent.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

Other Business: David Cate suggested that the term "chair" be used instead of other forms of the title.

A final call for voting produced no one who had not yet voted so votes were counted. Linda Lea, Chair of the Nominating Committee, gave the result of 56 ballots cast with all incumbents being reelected for another year.

The business meeting adjourned at 11:09 am and was followed by a celebration of Mrs. Vera Prestridge's service as LRSH chair.