

Historic Havre de Grace Foundation

Meeting Minutes



Historic Havre de Grace Foundation Meeting of March 25, 2025

Meeting done via Zoom

Present: Randy Menard, President, Kathleen Lee, Secretary, Diane Pearson, Treasurer, Kathleen Keen, Judy Plitt, Carol Nemeth, Mary Rasa.

Randy started the meeting at 6:45 PM. All acting officers are now officers. Randy is going to set up a meeting, with the Board of the Foundation, with Matt Brown, Ron Browning's investment advisor as soon as possible to discuss Ron's investments which have been left to the Historic Havre de Grace Foundation.

There was discussion about APGCU 30 to 90 day notes. The Foundation has some funds, left to it by Ron's insurance policies, to invest to create more funds. After discussion the members decided to let Diane Pearson, Treasurer, visit the local bank branch and find out about various programs available including certificates of deposit, savings accounts, and other money makers programs.

Discussion was held about the various items, now in Ron's house, of items that have been left to the Foundation. Bankers boxes or archival boxes can be used to store smaller items. An inventory of all items must be done asap. The items can be stored at the local "Stack and Store" in Havre de Grace. The units are all climate controlled and secure. We need to know just how many items are being left to the Foundation as we need to know how large a unit to rent. Mary Rasa said the Foundation needs a scope of what we are collecting also and where is it all going. Ron's collection of B & O china for example. The Aberdeen Train Station Museum is not ready to accept any of it at this time. Should the Foundation sell it all, donate it all to the B & O Railroad Museum in Baltimore City or store the items until the Aberdeen Train Station Museum can accept them?

It is unknown when Ron's house will go up for sale so the Foundation needs a plan for when that happens so the items left to the Foundation can be safely and efficiently removed.

The Music of Lafayette concert will be April 27, 2025 at the Havre de Grace Opera House. All the members present at this meeting agreed that we need a table for the Foundation at this event and also a table for the Foundation at the May 29th Ellsworth Shenk lecture.

The Foundation Website is being created per Carol Nemeth and will be ready to view soon.

The Lafayette 200 Committee has asked the Foundation for a \$1500.00 donation for the upcoming "Lafayette" visit to Havre de Grace in July. Randy, and the Foundation, would like to see a rough draft of what this committee would be spending this money on.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Lee, Secretary.