

**Minutes for the Board of Governors Meeting held November 27th, 2018
TCHA History Center**

ATTENDANCE:

Pete Bill - President	Craig Graham (via phone)
Jeff Schwab – Vice President	Walt Griffin
Kevin Cullen - Secretary	Amy Harbor
John Thieme – Treasurer	David Hovde
Colby Bartlett	Quentin Robinson
Diane Begley	Benjamin Ross (via phone)

Unable to attend

Del Bartlett	Preston Smith
Erika Kvam	Phil Tucker
Pete Sherry	Shane Weist
	Todd White

Staff Craig Hadley
Kristin Krzic (Program Director)
Kelly Lippie (Curator)

Guests Ken Moder – Board candidate
Zula Mills Kress – Board candidate
Annie Hatke – Board candidate

Call to order at 5:15

Minutes from October 23rd meeting were reviewed. The minutes were accepted.

Officer's Reports

President

Ball Sholty Award selection. This award was created and initially given in memory and recognition of Mrs. Evelyn Ball and Dr. William Sholty for their significant contributions to the Tippecanoe County Historical Association. The annual honoree is selected by the governors and announced at the annual meeting. The names of the recipients are engraved on a plaque that is displayed in the Alameda McCollough Research Library. Larry Chowning was put forth as a nominee for his work in the archeological aspects of the original Fort Ouiatenon site and his participation at the Feast for many years as a silversmith and trader. Board voted unanimously to accept the nomination.

Setting of meetings for 2019 – the Board approved meeting dates for 2019 Board meetings. The 2019 meetings will continued appear on the front page of each Agenda.

Vice President – no report

Treasurer – no report – defer to Finance, Budget, and Risk Management Committee

Finance and budget report – Finance, Budget, and Risk Management Committee – Jeff Schwab chair, John Thieme, Todd White

- Budget committee will be meeting next week. A preliminary budget will go to the Executive Committee for discussion and revision. The second draft of the budget will be circulated to the Executive Committee for further comment. The second draft or any revision of the second draft by the Exec Com will then be sent to the Board prior to the Board meeting January 8th, 2019 for review. January 8th Board meeting will focus primarily on the budget and its approval.

Membership and History Center Report – Megan Lee

- Current membership stands at 426 (up from 404 last month). 53 renewal notices went out this month; some are 2nd notices.
- The “Your Voice Matters” campaign has started in the newsletter and will continue on social media.
- Wall graphics have been installed in the History Center. Up lighting (lights shining up on walls) have been acquired for adding to the ambience for events held at the History Center.
- Democratic Election Party was held in the History Center – many good compliments were received.

Programs Report – Kristin Krzic

- TCHA’s 90th birthday celebration will be held Dec. 2 at the History Center.
- Book talk and signing by the author Dr. Michael Townsley only had 3 people attend. Advertising was by social media. No e-mail blast was received.
- Fighting for Freedom is the name of the diversity program for 2019; Tuesday and Wednesday Feb 19-20 2019. Goal is 500 bookings of students and \$20,000 in sponsorships.
- School programs with Happy Hollow – 4 classes total with 1 class per day - \$885 made
- Program Brochure release will be late January 2019
- SIA Japanese Festival for 2019 – Craig has submitted a \$5500 sponsorship request to SIA. TCHA will sell tickets to this event.

Collections Committee – Kelly Lippie

- Strategic plan for Collections for 2019-2021 will be revealed at January meeting.
- Volunteers are scanning photograph collection, indexing J&C negative collection, and processing archival collections
- 2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 AM is the Collections Department meetings for all volunteers.
- Installed exhibit at Battleground Museum and installed a loaned musket there as well.
- Gathered images for photo mural for the History Center
- Helped winterize Blockhouse. Brought furs back to Arganbright for winter storage.
- Collaborative meeting with DAR – DAR has 125th anniversary coming up
- 21 items were put up for deaccession. All were accepted for deaccession by vote from the Board.

Nominating Committee – has received 3 new candidate nominations to date.

Battlefield Museum Report – Rick Conwell

- Taxable sales reached \$50K for the year weekend of November 3-4, 2018. On track.
- Nov 7th was 207th anniversary of Battle of Tippecanoe. Battle Ground elementary 4th graders visited museum.
- Saturday, Nov 10th was official commemoration at Battlefield. Reenactors and presentations by 3 individuals representing: Native Americans in Battle, American soldiers at Battle, and WWI soldiers (100th anniversary of WWI Armistice in November 1918). Double taps were played.
- Museum is slowing, as expected, in November after commemoration weekend. Museum is closed December 24 to January 11th and Holiday hours are in effect until February 28th.

Feast Report – Leslie Martin Conwell

- Grounds clean up went on into November; parking area was a mess
- Feast bills are still being paid. Food booth bills still being determined. Figures should be available for January 8th, 2019 meeting of Board.
- Attempting to recoup Feast expenses by selling leftover firewood, straw, and buffalo burgers.
- Feast steering committee had wrap up meeting November 1. Feast thank you dinner is Dec. 6.

Facilities Committee (formerly Buildings and Grounds) – Walt Griffin

- No report.

Membership and Development Committee – Erika Kvam

- No report

Ouiatenon Preserved Committee –Colby Bartlett

- OPI Board will have second meeting December 11th
- May be a meeting with Miami Nation about reinternment of bones from site.
- 1st CREP check was received by TCHA and OPI.

Executive Director report

- Legacy bricks - \$7200 received so far
- Getting quotes for price to repair roof of History Center – then will go for grants to cover
- Report in January on issue relating to insurance of Feast vendors (new insurance required)
- \$50K proposal to Lafayette Bank & Trust is still pending – nothing heard back
- Volunteer of the Year award will be granted to Van Sherry at the Ann. Membership Mtg.
- Funding received for birthday bash = \$1500, target is \$3600.
- Annual appeal is going out in December.
- TCHA Annual Membership Meeting February 2nd at History Center. Tickets available on line through Event Brite. \$10 tickets for dinner (counters \$40 original price suggested). Funding to cover gap between food cost and ticket price will be made up by sponsors.

Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned 6:54 PM

Minutes recorded and submitted by Pete Bill

BOARD OF GOVERNORS TERMS (3 Year Terms)

Name	Term Ends
Colby Bartlett	December 2020
Del Bartlett	December 2018
Diane Begley	December 2018
Pete Bill	December 2019
Kevin Cullen	December 2018
Craig Graham	December 2020
Walt Griffin	December 2019
Amy Harbor	December 2020
David Hovde	December 2019
Erika Kvam	December 2020
Quentin Robinson	December 2018
Benjamin Ross	December 2018
Jeff Schwab	December 2018
Pete Sherry	December 2019
Preston Smith	December 2018
Phil Tucker	December 2019
Todd White	December 2018
John Thieme	December 2019
Shane Weist	December 2019

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (1 Year Term, not more than 5 consecutive terms)

Position	Name	First Term Began	Current Term Number	Re-election eligibility ends
President	Pete Bill	June 2016 (for 2016 term)	3	January 2021
Vice President	Jeff Schwab	February 2017	2	January 2022
Secretary	Kevin Cullen	February 2018	1	January 2023
Treasurer	John Thieme	February 2015	4	January 2020

STANDING COMMITTEES - 2018

* indicates Chair

Executive Committee

Pete Bill *
Jeff Schwab
Kevin Cullen
John Thieme

Nominating Committee

Quentin Robinson*
Preston Smith
Pete Sherry

Finance, Budget, and Risk Management Committee

Jeff Schwab *
John Thieme
Todd White

Facilities Committee (formerly the Buildings & Grounds Committee)

Walt Griffin *	Colby Bartlett
Amy Harbor	Kevin Cullen
Pete Bill	Erika Kvam

Collections Committee

Kelly Lippie*	Carolyn O'Connell
Pete Bill	Quentin Robinson
Leslie Conwell	Mary Springer
Rick Conwell	Marsha Selmer
Kevin Cullen	Kristin Krzic
LA Clugh	Craig Hadley

Ouiatenon Preserve Committee

Colby Bartlett *
Del Bartlett
Di Begley
David Hovde
Leslie Martin Conwell

Development & Membership Committee

Erika Kvam *
Craig Hadley
Pete Bill
Megan Lee - Membership Director

Program Advisory Committee

Walt Griffin
David Hovde
Shane Weist
Pete Bill

TCHA Foundation Board Liaison

Del Bartlett