

# ALMA FOUNDATION

## Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2011

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm on January 25, 2011 at the Town Hall by President Tim Balough. Members present: Shannon Hessian, Ellen McMichael, John Deagan and Tim Zingler. Public present: Sheryl Ransom, Caroline Gannon, Jara Johnson, Mark Bond, Nancy Comer and Andrew Zimmerman.
2. Approval of Agenda: Nancy Comer added Thai One On to 12a. Ellen made a motion to approve the agenda, Nancy seconded, all ayes. Motion carries unanimously.
3. Community Comments: None at this time
4. Approval of December 28th minutes: John Deagan made a motion to approve the December minutes, Tim Zingler seconded, all ayes carrying a unanimous vote.
5. Foundation Brochure and Logo: Andrew, with Rita Zimmerman's permission, has donated her Paris Mill painting to the Alma Foundation to be used in the brochure. It will be used as a watermark behind the back of the foundation stationary, either in gray scale or in color, with Bonnie Paffenroth's logo on the top. Nancy will create for review at the next meeting.
6. Alma Cabin update: Ellen gave the cabin update stating that Jeremiah is working on the roof and needs a check for \$17,000 from the historic fund. Everything (every expense) needs to be cleared with the historical society.
7. Softball field update: Andrew stated he talked to the town board and has permission to write a letter if needed to the homeowners. John Deagan stated that we do need a written agreement with the land owners and the liability terms covered by the town.
8. Bingo update: Andrew stated that we need to get more people involved in getting certified, and they must go to class for this. Tim Zingler will email the dates of the class. Nancy Comer suggested that since we have \$996 in the Bingo account that that account reimburses the foundation the \$400 it owes. Leaving a \$596 balance to be spent on the expenditures of the people going to the Bingo certification class (at \$20 per person). People interested in going to the class are Mark Bond, Caroline Gannon, Shannon Hessian, Andrew Zimmerman, and Tim Zingler. John Deagan made a motion, Tim Zingler seconded, all ayes, carrying a unanimous vote.
9. Murder Mystery Review: The foundation purchased two plays. The first play the foundation broke even with 18 people signing up and a \$225 income so actually breaking

even. The second play is scheduled for March 26 at the town hall. Nancy suggested that more invitations be sent out as well as more advertising. A call list was suggested to be used to bring in more participants. Nancy will look into getting a liquor license for the foundation, so we could sell drinks at the party instead of asking for donations. Tim Balough suggested keeping the donation container while Jara suggested a minimum of a \$2.00 donation per drink. Everyone that attended had a great time at the play and look forward to the next upcoming one.

10. Community Building Discussion: Andrew suggested that the foundation make the community building (the Ladies Aide building) a long term goal.

11. Alma Festival in the Clouds/MRHI run to Kite Lake: Jara Johnson suggested MRHI's run to Kite Lake (about a half of a marathon) be tied in with Alma's Festival in the Clouds. Tim Zingler was concerned with construction feasibility with Buckskin Gulch this summer. Caroline suggested we table this discussion.

12. Festival Artwork: Artwork of local artists and local children's art class designs were reviewed. Most members liked Scott Bullock's artwork but are requesting he submit another piece of artwork similar to his previous one but with redoing the hat on the artwork to symbolize more of our area. John Deagan will call Scott and ask him for a reentry of the redesign because of the sombrero. Caroline will contact the two students that the foundation selected for their artwork and re-due or re-modify their design in color and black and white. Round two will be discussed at the next meeting.

12a. Thai One On: The Thai Mini Cafe, Poncho Springs, has quoted the foundation the same price as last year. Jara's mom will let us use some of her sternos and chaffing dishes for the event. Phone calls and word of mouth will be our best advertising. Nancy will provide a call list. No silent auction will be held at this year's Thai One On because of the economy. There will be two servings, at 5:00 and 7:00 pm. Nancy will also print out tickets to sell for the event.

13. Officer's Report: Tim Zingler suggested we design Bingo shirts to sell. Tim Balough reported that the donation form for the freshwater has been taken care of. Caroline questioned if we were going to do a school scholarship fund again this year. John suggested we keep what we have been doing for so long and keep the scholarships at 2 scholarships at \$750 per. Tim Balough suggested that Ellen do a forecast of expenses and income (cash flow) for the year to come. John Deagan made a motion, Ellen seconded, all ayes carrying a unanimous vote. Ellen provided a year end report (12/31/2010) to the Bingo Account which holds \$996.00 and the Money Market Account holding \$13,131.03.

14. No community comments.

15. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35. Motion made by John Deagan, all ayes, carrying a unanimous vote.