Joseph Landry Foundation

Meeting of the Board of Directors

12-7-13

President, Mary Ellen Stinski, called to order the meeting of the Board of Directors via Skype at 10:00 A.M. Central Standard Time/ 9:00 A.M. Mountain Standard Time.

In attendance were Mary Ellen Stinski, Jim Safford, III, and Margaret Safford Canella. Current officers are: Mary Ellen Stinski (President), Susan Judice (Vice President of New Members) and Margaret Canella ( Secretary Treasurer).

Mary Ellen began the meeting with the previous years’ minutes being read by Margaret Canella. Minutes were approved and accepted as read.

Margaret Canella made a Treasurer’s report, stating that she does not have a final amount, since the bank does not send out statements on inactive accounts. Previous balance was $995.00. Deposits for dues and some donations have been made ($150.00 for dues and $60.00 in donations) in the past month. A confirmed balance report will be made once a statement is received.

Discussion then went to the Foundation’s lapsed 501 © (3) Tax Exempt status. The IRS has agreed to expedite processing to re-instate our status and has assigned our case to specific person. Mary Ellen’s goal is to have the status re-instated by April 2014.

Next, the condition of the tomb was discussed. Mary Ellen asked what the current status was and no one in attendance has seen it recently. It was agreed that Margaret would contact Dan Safford and ask that he take a photo for us to document its condition at present.

Next, the current status of Board Members was discussed. Initially, the Board consisted of 7 members in the Articles of Incorporation, with the ruling that the Board consist of not less than 3 and not more than 11 members. Of the original members, both Walter Landry and Claire Safford are now deceased. Ed Whitson and Lynda McVille resigned. Current members are:

James C. Safford, III

Margaret S. Canella

Marjorie LeBlanc

Mary Ellen Stinski

Susan Judice (member at large)

Nomination for three new Board members was opened and the following were recommended:

Priscilla W.DiLorenzo (daughter of Ed Whitson)

Celeste Landry (daughter of Walter Landry)

Brett Landry

Nomination was closed and unanimously approved. Mary Ellen agreed to send contact letters to the 3 nominees. Margaret will send her the contact information.

The Foundation website was discussed and it was agreed that work would resume on it in January 2014. Mary Ellen agreed to contact Susan Judice regarding Landry sub groups who are interested in turning over their files to our Foundation.

A site visit to the Tomb was scheduled December 2013, but had to be cancelled. The visit was rescheduled for 2014, the first week after Easter. The visit will be by Michael Trinkely with the Chicora Foundation and Patrick Sparks, a structural Engineer. They will assess the tomb. They will need a bucket truck to assess the roof. A trench also needs to be done around the tomb. Mary Ellen will ask Susan Judice to check on getting a bucket truck arranged.

Without further discussion, the meeting was called to close at 10:30 A.M. Central Standard Time/ 9:30 A.M. Mountain Standard Time

Margaret S. Canella

Secretary-Treasurer

Note: A confirmed balance on our Joseph Landry Foundation account is $1175.00. Deposits since our 4-12-12 meeting were $205.00 in 2012 for Dues & Donations.Deposits were made this year in November & December totaling $225.00 for Dues & Donations. Expenditures since the 4-12-12 meeting were:

**8/23/12 $100.00 Internal Revenue Service**

**11/5/12 $300.00 United States Treasury**

**12/7/13 $15.00 Louisiana Secretary of State**