

The March 14, 2010 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Manning Association was called to order at 12:20 pm by President Leonard Manning. Trustees in attendance: Leonard Manning, Peter Stuart, Nathaniel Manning, Lee Manning, David Warren, Tawny Beckmann, Jeffrey Manning, Melanie Claeys, Becky Warren, and Carolyn McLean.

Reports

On a motion by Peter, seconded by Tawny, the minutes of the December 6, 2009 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report with a copy of the Manning Association Balance Sheet and Annual Budget overviews were submitted by Peter Stuart; on a motion made by Becky, seconded by Melanie the report was approved with a vote of 9 yes, 1 abstain and placed on file.

Old Business

Peter reported on the status of the Manning Association stock certificates issued between 1962 and 2005. On a motion by Peter, seconded by Nathaniel, the Treasurer is authorized to re-issue new stock certificates to active stockholders and to rescind and cancel all other certificates. Motion passed. It was noted that we can only issue up to 3,000 shares, with a maximum of 25 shares per person. Peter estimated there are about 700 active shares in existence.

It was noted by Membership Chairperson Melanie Claeys that Manning Association dues are: \$25 for an active member and \$400 for a life membership.

New Business

Septic System - Len reported on the status of the septic system at the Manse. The cost for a permit to connect to the town sewer is over \$85,000; which does not reflect the cost of installation. The current septic system is functioning and regular cyclic maintenance is scheduled by the tenant. On a motion by Becky, seconded by Nathaniel, we will maintain the current septic system with oversight by the tenant and Leonard for regular maintenance. An amendment was made by Leonard to have a professional entity check on the current status of the system and provide recommendations to the Board, at the cost to the Manning Association. Amended motion was passed unanimously.

Manning Manse Messenger – Tawny offered to create and send out a flyer to promote the annual stockholders meeting on June 26, 2010.

Sales Items – Carolyn compiled an inventory the Association's sales items.

1 tote bag, 6 t-shirts, 8 stationary packages, 6 Key of Libberty (soft cover)
and 1 Key of Libberty (hardcover)

Carolyn will contact Peter Cooper to inquire about the Manning Manse cup plates. Jeff offered to store all sales items at his house and will ship orders as they come in, except for Manning Genealogies which Peter will handle.

Tawny is arranging an order for Manning Association polo shirts, tee shirts, and tote bags. The Board discussed styles, colors, and pricing.

Website – Lee is maintaining the Manning Association website. He procured the domain name of www.ManningManse.org for a period of 5 years (November 2009 – 2014) at a cost of \$135. He is working on procuring www.ManningAssociation.org.

Artifacts – Jeff connected with Pamela Hartford and procured the Manning Association trunk and its contents. Jeff reported that he has been looking into the Manning Association archives at the Mogan Cultural Center in Lowell and working on organizing the artifacts upstairs in the Manse.

Reunion – The Annual Stockholders Meeting and Manning Reunion will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2010 at the Manse. Folks can arrive at 11:30 to view the Manse with Nathaniel serving as the greeter. Len and Melanie will bring pop-up tents for the lawn area. A buffet lunch is scheduled for 12:30 pm in the Manse. Peter offered to provide dessert and Carolyn offered to purchase gifts. The program will include an overview of Lee's work on the Manning Association website.

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2010 after the annual meeting.

On a motion by Peter, seconded by Lee, the meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

s\\ Rebecca A. Warren

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Secretary