# **Durand Heritage Foundation (DHF)**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors Saturday, April 6, 2019 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Location: Residence of Anna and Jack Webber, 6620 250<sup>th</sup> St., Elko, MN 55020

Present: Alice Durand Keppel, Chair (2018-2021)

Anna Olson Webber; Vice-Chair Mike Durand –Treasurer/Membership

Marilyn Durand – Co-Treasurer/Membership

Ellen Durand Olson; Secretary Ed Durand, Research Chair Audrey Muller Johnson Maryfrances Evans

Call to Order: 10:44 a.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of 4/28/2019 Minutes: Two corrections noted. (1) Maryfrances attended the 2018 meeting by telephone, and (2) the first name of the DHF website manager is Mark, not Mike.

Motion: Maryfrances Evans: Approval of April 28, 2019 meeting minutes as corrected.

Second: Ed Durand

Approved.

## **Committee Reports**

## **Chair:** Alice Durand Keppel

• The chair formally recognized the sudden passing of board member Jennifer Olson Bayoumi in October 2019.

## Treasurer: Mike Durand

	Beginning Balance 2018	April 6, 2019
General Fund Checking	\$ 924.49	\$ 2,478.08
Scholarship Checking	\$ 7,486.78	\$ 5,036.78
Scholarship Fund (Ameritrade)		
Investment Account	\$ 50,838.92 (04/06/19)	\$ 52,971.61
TOTAL	\$ 61,268.19	\$ 62,505.47*

• Mike noted that an additional \$300 would be deposited. A membership mail-merge brought in \$2000 with several members renewing for four years. Mike is setting up an email data base. He noted that he will transfer \$4000 from the general checking acct. to the scholarship investment fund, or perhaps go to cash to protect it from market correction.

Motion: Not to transfer \$4000 to....

## Newsletter: Anna Olson Webber, Ellen Durand Olson

• The delayed newsletter publication date was due to the death of Jennifer Olson Bayoumi. There was discussion of what to do with the accumulation of DHF archival materials.

Newsletter ideas included: an article on DNA testing; heart issues; after JRide, now what?; Hank Durand (Canada); How we are connected...

## Membership: Marilyn Durand/Mike Durand

- We currently have about 90 members. At one time DHF had 160 members.
- We need to expand membership to the younger generation.
- Marilyn made personal calls to thank renewing members and received several expressions of gratitude to DHF: "Thanks and appreciation of all you and your officers have done to keep DHF in good standing..."

**Research:** Ed Durand will chair this committee.

**Media:** Maryfrances Evans, Anna Olson Webber

• We need build awareness of DHF on social media platforms. 80% of Boomers are on FB. Maryfrances will be in charge of the FB project, i.e., get link from Peter and link FB to the DHF website.

Motion: Accept committee reports (Anna Webber) Approved.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Mike would like to pass on some of his responsibilities. He emphasized the need for new people in DHF, and drafted an organizational chart to help build a framework for DHF going forward. He will elaborate his ideas in written form for chair and board review. From this information Audrey Johnson will build a PowerPoint presentation and Maryfrances Evans will set up Google account for email and collaboration.
- The possibility of Peter Durand taking on the role of treasurer has often been discussed. Alice will bring this discussion to Peter. Hopefully, the transition from Mike to Peter will be completed before the 2020 board meeting.
- Mike asked the board to approve expenditure for a reprinting of the little Family Tree book. Board approved.

#### Adjournment

• Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted. Ellen Durand Olson, Secretary