

**Durand Heritage Foundation (DHF)**  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, October 25, 2025  
12:25 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Location: Home of Roger Durand, 76 Marcin Hill, Burnsville, MN 55337

Present: Jim Evans: Chair  
Roger Durand: Vice President  
Anna Webber: Treasurer  
Ellen Durand Olson, Secretary  
Cheryl (Cheri) Durand Askew  
Ed Durand  
Alice Durand Keppel

Absent: Maryfrances Evans, Peter Durand

Call to Order: 12:25 p. m. A quorum was present.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 30, 2024 was approved and passed.

**Officer Reports:**

Chair: Jim Evans. No report.

Vice President: Roger Durand: See Committee Reports, Membership, Newsletter

Secretary: Ellen Durand Olson. No report.

Treasurer: Anna Webber presented a line item description of DHF Legacy fund account activity from November 2024 to October 2025. Account cash balance as of October 24, 2025 is \$4,304.40.

Operating costs to date are approx. \$1,081. Annual Mailerlite program cost is \$108.

Motion to approve treasurer's report passed.

See Attachment #1 for proposal to increase annual \$500 stipend from Legacy Fund to \$700.

**Committee Reports:**

Membership: Roger Durand

DHF 2024 membership report noted 39 members. DHF 2025 subscriber report notes 105 email subscribers. Of these, 85 subscribers are active (DHF emails opened) and the rest are inactive (DHF emails unopened). Subscribers must initiate their DHF account and can unsubscribe at any time.

Newsletter/Bulletin: Roger Durand, Anna Webber

The quarterly DHF *Bulletin* has replaced the printed and mailed newsletter and is available online under the DHF website durandfoundation.com. Roger Durand will generate content and distribution and Anna Webber will format content which will include DHF updates, scholarship information, obituaries, a chronology of past newsletters and other items of interest to subscribers. Anna Webber redesigned the cover page to better display DHF's logo and specific content. The next *Bulletin* will be issued in January, 2026

#### Scholarship 2025-2026

See Attachment #2 for Peter Durand's summary report on scholarship activity 2025.

Following discussion, it was agreed that an increase from \$500 to \$700 from the scholarship fund towards DHF operating costs will ensure 8.6 years coverage for same.

Motion approve and passed to increase operational cost stipend from \$500 to \$700.

Anna Webber distributed copies of pictures and thank-yous from 2025 scholarship recipients.

#### Research:

Roger Durand reported on the significance of Msgr. Durand's original records of early French Canadian settlers in Rice County, MN. These records will eventually be added to DHF's Legacy Library. The Legacy Library content will include several Durand historical publications as well as the extensive historical records of Beatrice Durand Derrick. The Legacy Library will be online after January 1, 2025 at durandfoundation.com.

Roger reported that there are currently 16,995 names in the DHF family tree genealogy. The merger of the DHF and Canadian genealogies is in progress.

#### New Business:

Alice Durand Keppel and Peter Durand (absent) were reelected to the board of directors for additional three-year terms.

Respectfully submitted: Ellen Durand Olson, November 10, 2025

Commented [Unknown A1]:

ATTACHMENT #1

## Durand Heritage Foundation Treasurer's Report

Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 2024

Submitted by Anna Olson Webber

As of 11/30/2024 the DHF checking account contains \$3,972.95.

\$2,252.65 belongs to DHF, the remaining \$1720.30 is owed to Roger Durand for the advance monies paid out for the reprinting of the Durand books.

Total owed to Roger is \$7059.00 to be paid out in \$1,000.00 increments as books are sold. \$2,250.00 has been paid out to date, leaving \$5,054.00 outstanding.

DHF has accumulated \$302.93 in profit from the book sales to date.

Profits are calculated based on book cost subtracted from the sale price minus PayPal fees, postage and boxes. Total for the postage and boxes to date are \$199.14. See below.

### Hard Cover Book, 28 Total Books

Cost = \$152.68

Sold at = \$160.00

Profit = \$7.32, minus the PayPal fee of 1.99% of total dollar amount sold +.49 per transaction

### Soft Cover Book with Family Tree, 28 Total Books

Cost = \$63.88

Sold at = \$75.00

Profit = \$11.12, minus the PayPal fee of 1.99% of total dollar amount sold +.49 per transaction

### Soft Cover Book with no Family Tree 28, Total Books

Cost = \$35.40

Sold at = \$50.00

Profit = \$14.60, minus the PayPal fee of 1.99% of total dollar amount sold +.49 per transaction

