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Tractor Test & Power Museum Board

Minutes

January 15, 2002<sup>3</sup>

Earl Ellington, President Presiding

Meeting started at 1:35pm in room 225 of LW Chase Hall.

Everyone present introduced themselves. Attendance list attached.

Interim Museum Director - Leviticus  
report attached

Minutes from previous meeting on October 16 were attached to the agenda for the meeting. Minutes were approved after Bob Chalmers was corrected to Allis Chalmers.

Financial Report

report attached

Treasurer bought a CD (certificate of deposit) with 3.44 APY for \$4,756.79. The maturity date is 11/16/02. Report approved.

Curator's Report

Included in Interim Museum Director report.

Splinter, with the help of the foundation (Susan Sack), will solicit funds for renovating the exterior walls and the garage.

Museum will have an "Open House" on Saturday, May 4, 2002. Event will be similar to previous years.

State Museum Director's Report

(Jim Estes was not present for a report)

Newsletter Editor Report (Bob Kleis)

Put out three newsletters last year. He suggested Judy Ray be the new editor since she was the main preparer of the last two newsletters. She agreed to become editor.

Museum Docent Report (Mark Nickolaus)

(Information on Hay Forks attached)

Museum has forks numbered 2, 3, and 4.

During 2000, had 149 visitors sign in. During 2001 had 260 visitors. The museum had many other visitors who did not sign the register.

Museum Secretary Report (Judy Ray)

Has been painting, preparing newsletters, and trimming trees. They have also acquired safety pictures from Rollie Schnieder. Bashford announced that there were many old pictures in the NE Tractor Test Laboratory. The museum may want many of these pictures. Some of these photos would make an excellent display for the Museum Open House.

Honorary Membership Candidate (Earl Ellington)

Mark Nickolaus nominated for honorary membership. Mark was elected unanimously. He was presented an honorary membership certificate.

New Officers Report

Officers for 2002 are the same as for 2001 because offices are for two years.

Museum Help (Leviticus)

Lou suggested a list be prepared for two volunteer Friends to have the museum open on Saturdays. Would set up a docent course for all the Friends (new docents) to learn the details of the museum. If agreeable would then advertise that museum is open on Saturdays. Asked Friends of the Museum to provide list of potential docents for Saturdays. Motion moved to send out a flyer to inquire of interest in becoming docents of the museum on Saturdays. A friendly amendment was that this was a worthwhile activity for the friends.

Museum Website (Gail Ogden)

Gave a demonstration of what is on the website.

Tractor Raffle/Membership Report (Borcherding)

1671 tickets sold  
\$1,411 intake  
30 new memberships

2001 Raffle (Borcherding)

John Benes of Raymond, NE was the winner of the tractor.  
Ticket #: 400994  
7704 West Davey Road  
Raymond, NE  
Phone: 783-2308

Meeting Dates for 2002

April 16, 2002  
July 16, 2002  
October 15, 2002  
January 15, 2003

Time and Place for all meetings: 1:30pm 225, LW Chase Hall.

Activities for 2002

Minneapolis Moline Z potential tractor for raffle. Will decide on a raffle later if the Moline tractor is not appropriate.

Annual dues are due

Meeting adjourned 3:15PM