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AGENDA ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 18, 1999 - L. W. CHASE HALL

Opening comments	Bob Kleis
Minutes of September 21 meeting	Glenn Hoffman
Financial report	Shirley Trauger
Directors report	Bill Splinter
Curators comments	Lou Levitius
NE State Museum Director report	Jim Estes
Nomination report-and action	Bill Splinter
Bylaw amendments action and mission statement	Bob Kleis
Program activities for 2000	Earl Ellington
Other items as desired	

RECOMMENDED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

1. Incorporate newly adopted "mission statement" as the "purpose" item in the Bylaws
2. Incorporate Lester F. Larson into the name wherever located
3. Indicate status as an adjunct of the Nebraska State Museum wherever relevant
4. In Article VI, Section 1 - Annual meeting date - change October to January
5. In Article VIII, Section 3D-Secretary term of office - delete "--- to one additional term"
6. Article IX, Section 1D - Ex officio members of Board of Directors - add the Curator and Nebraska State Museum Director
7. Article IX, Section 2, Sentence 3 - Directors terms - delete the clause "but shall serve no more than two consecutive terms"
8. Article IX, Section 4C - change to read "A quorum shall be a simple majority of the Board members of record"
9. Article X, Section 1B, to read "The Nominating Committee shall consist of the President, all participating Past Presidents and the Director of the adjunct Museum

NOMINATIONS

OFFICERS - 2000

Bob Kleis - Pres.  
Earl Ellington - V. Pres.  
Glenn Hoffman - Sec.  
Shirley Trauger - Treas.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Lester F. Larsen  
William E. Splinter  
Fred Chase  
Wallace Giles

BOARD MEMBERS

Chas Borcharding, Harold Borman, Ervin Rolofson  
and Mark Lynott of Lincoln, and Bill Overturf of Oak, NE

## **Tractor Test Museum Minutes January 18, 2000**

**Present:** Bashford, Borcharding, Borman, Byerly, Hoffman, Kleis, Kohl, Leviticus, Lievlsinger, Nickolaus, Nyffeler, Overturf, Rolofson, Sack, Splinter, Strasburg, Tooker, Trauger, Vanderholm

**By Phone:** Fenster, Smith

### **Treasurer's Report (Trauger)**

Bank balance is \$4,820.10 as of 1-15-00  
\$46.15 interest earned during 1999  
\$1,400 in expenses in 1999

### **Director's Report (Splinter)**

Report is attached  
No cost estimate yet for replacing the large overhead door on the north side of the museum.

### **Curator's Report (Leviticus)**

- Want to show what we have that is unique. Dynameters, to display include a traction type, the J.B. Davidson's model, and a large (belt) dynameter.
- Need to develop a web page to attract visitors to the museum.
- Large number of carburetors and magnetos and parts belong to the museum. The curator is currently sorting these out. Overturf suggested a display of these rather than selling them.

### **NE State Museum Report**

Relationship with museum is working well. Will do more advertising when the door and restroom are renovated.

### **Nomination Report (Splinter)**

Splinter moved that those nominated in the attached meeting agenda as officers and board members be elected. Bashford seconded motion. Motion passed. Term of office for members on the board is three years. Splinter moved and Trauger seconded the honorary life board members be Lester Larsen, William Splinter, Fred Chase, and Wallace Giles.

### **Bylaw Amendments (Kleis)**

Following are recommended changes:

1. Incorporate "vision statement" as the purpose in the Bylaws.
2. Place "Lester F. Larsen" to the Museum name throughout the Bylaws.
3. Place NE State Museum as a collaborator in the Bylaws.
4. Change annual meeting from October to January in Article VI, Section 1.
5. Elect secretary for term of two years with eligibility for reelection in Article VIII, Section 3D.
6. Add Curator and NE State Museum Director as Ex-officio members of Board of Directors.
7. Directors will now be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms as noted in Article IX, Section 2.
8. Change quorum from 2/3 to simple majority of Board Members present in Article IX, Section 4C.
9. In Article X, Section 1B, nominating committee shall consist of President and all participating Past Presidents and Director of the adjunct museum.

Splinter moved and Tooker seconded that these amendments be approved. Passed unanimously.

### **Program Activities for 2000**

Possibility of raffling a duplicate tractor from our collection to garner funds was discussed. The Woodpecker tractor brought in \$2,300 and the auction value of the tractor was \$500 to \$600. Not sure Successful Farming would advertise or provide raffle tickets as before. Another possible way to dispose of duplicates is by auction. May want to sell at Camp Creek Threshers show.

### **Publicity**

Borcherding suggested that we need a glossy folder for convention bureau and business groups to pass out to visitors.

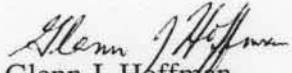
### **Potential New Signs**

Need bigger more prominent sign. Need sign for along freeway and at various places around camps.

New visitor's map of campus should show museum.

April 18, next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm

  
Glenn J. Hoffman  
Secretary