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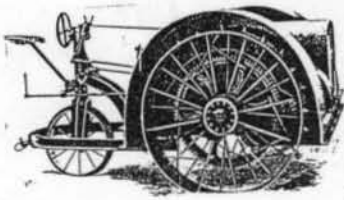


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September 6, 1999

From: Bob Kleis, President

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1:30 P.M.  
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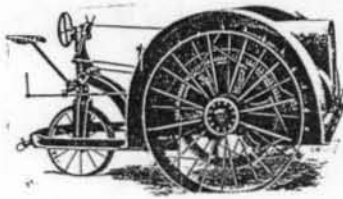
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**Tractor Museum Minutes**

*Sept 21, 1999*

Present: Kleis, chair, Leviticus, Vanderholm, Hoffman, Splinter, Nickolas, Trauger, Tooker, and Ellington.

By phone: Smith and Fenster

Also present: Susan Sack from UN Foundation (472-2151)

Minutes for 6/15/99 approved as mailed (Hoffman)

Treasurer's report: \$4917.31 (Trauger)

\$2329 of this total came from raffle tickets for Woodpecker tractor

Harriett Holman from Plattsmouth, NE won the Woodpecker tractor at the state fair

Director's Report: (Splinter) introduced Susan Sack

Endowed fund is currently \$344,000. This can be used as a "leader" to solicit additional funds. Long-term goal is \$ 1 million. Will now approach individuals and corporations to reach goal. UN Foundation personnel (Kevin Meyer and Susan Sack) will pursue large potential donors. Because of our tool collection in the museum, manufacturers and clubs of hand tools will also be solicited. Susan encouraged solicitations from the donor clubs we already know.

Curator Report: (Leviticus)

*Luis Vasquez*

Levi Vaskes, a graduate student from the UNL museum program, has been making some very interesting discoveries in our collection. For example, a John Deere open yoke and old Stanley tools have been identified. The list identifying all tractors is being completed. Total number of tractors in museum is now 35. We have other tractors stored in the livestock pavilion. When completed, the list will be part of future minutes. The completed list will include detailed description of each tractor and an indication of repairs needed. If we start to repair tractors, we will need insurance coverage.

Lou, has started working on dynamometers in our collection. One dynamometer was built before 1914. Some are mechanical, some are hydraulic types.

Livestock Pavilion will be torn down within the next year. We have 15 tractors stored there which will have to be stored elsewhere. Lou and Bill will investigate further.

Announcements:

Letterhead and logo for the Friends group was discussed in detail. Ellington moved, seconded by Sack, to approve the letterhead and logo. Motion carried.

This group needs to develop a "mission statement". The purpose statement of the bylaws may well serve as a mission statement with some updating. Ellington moved and seconded by Trauger to update the purpose of the bylaws into a mission statement.

Ellington moved and Leviticus seconded to approve changes in the 1996 by laws. Motion passed. Revised bylaws will be sent to membership in December.

Kleis appointed Splinter to nominate new officers and members.

Smith suggested adding relationship of Friends group to the UNL Museum to Article I of the by-laws.

Trauger new address: 2007 Road 22

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