Historic Carter House Society Inc. Meeting Minutes April 11, 2013

Vickie Robinson, President, called to order the meeting of Historic Carter House Society Inc (HCHS) held at 30325 Carter Cemetery Road, Springfield, LA at 2:10 PM.

Attendance: Vickie Robinson, Linda Simoneaux, Wanda Loupe, quorum met.

Old Business

1. Motion passed to approve board meeting minutes March 19, 2013

New Business

- 1. QUILT TRAIL
 - Carolyn Szabados was unavailable for meeting
- MARKETING PROGRAM
 - a. Vickie has list of photographers to send fee schedule and brochures when printing is complete next week. She has provided available copies of brochures to LPVB to include in bags for upcoming events
 - b. no recent update on facebook from Shelley Simmons, who was unavailable for meeting
 - c. Lois Wax has pictures of tea & wedding to submit
 - d. Beverly hasn't gotten wedding photo album yet
 - e. CoCo has copy of websites to link & will investigate them & google others to add
 - f. Vickie contacted Denise Martin to add our link to LC&VB, but hasn't had response

3. FINANCE

- a. Bank balance @ 3/29/13 is \$4,279.74. Has \$240 additional to deposit from pool house rental, St. Patrick's Day raffle and Maddry's membership
- b. Jan Pretus needed balance at end of 2012 to complete tax return. Possibly ready Friday, 4/12/13

4. LPCofC

- a. One-time application fee of \$25 and annual membership dues of \$175. We will postpone joining until at least after the golf tournament.
- b. advantages
 - 1) added to website
 - 2) invited to all grand openings, luncheons, functions
 - 3) included in networking
 - 4) mentioned in publications as participant/donor

5. GRANTS

- a. Water connection waiting to hear
- b. Amerigroup waiting to hear
- c. State of LA Off of Cultural Dev, Div. of Hist. Pres. acknowledged receipt
- d. Walmart waiting to hear
- e. Ameriprise application date changed to 5/1/13
- f. Entergy waiting to hear from MJ, then apply for \$1,000
- g. Shaw Group waiting to hear
- h. Civil War & Battle of Blood River listed as a skirmish rather than a major battle. This one may not proceed
- LANDSCAPE & LIGHTING OF SIDE YARD
 - a. waiting to hear back from MJ

7. MEMBERSHIPS

Vickie will provide Wanda with updated list of previous members who have not renewed to prepare an email requesting renewal. Also provide an updated fee schedule to help entice renewal with possibility of discounted rentals.

8. FUND RAISERS SCHEDULED

- a. I-12 Flea Market Booth
 - 1) Vickie & Linda will visit site Friday, 4/12, to decide what type of booth is needed & possibly sign agreement for 4/20-21
 - 2) If that weekend is successful, we may store remaining unsold items for \$5 & contract for the following weekend. If unsuccessful, we will discuss sales of remaining items (in bulk) to other garage sale participants rather than restoring items or we may donate any unsold items to charity
 - 3) Wanda will get peg board & hooks for display and has one 6' table. Will check with Tammy Welsh and Sandy Martin if more are needed
 - 4) Tania Feneck will provide an additional 6' table
 - 5) Vickie has bookcase for display

b. GOLF TOURNAMENT

- Wanda will modify contest signs so that all cash will be kept by HCHS rather than splitting the pot with the winners. John will have to find physical prizes for those events.
- 2) Vickie has acquired a \$25 gift card from LeBlanc's and will make application for same from Carter's
- 3) Vickie has prepared letters of invitation/sponsorship for politicians and will deliver Monday

9. ADDITIONAL RUND RAISERS for 2013

a. will discuss at a future meeting

10. PICTURES ON CH PROPERTY BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, 04/06/13

a. Beverly & Vickie were present. Two cars showed up, but neither was interested in paying fee

11. PICTURES ON CH PROPERTY BY CARTER PLANTATION BRIDES

- a. Vickie had confrontation with photographer/bridal group. was told that they had permission from Denise. asked for completed agreement/deposit. Hasn't heard back from anyone. We need to provide forms/information to everyone involved at Carter so that this doesn't happen in future
- b. Wanda suggested that Vickie request a minimum \$50 contribution be made to HCHS for any brides that are currently scheduled to use the property for pictures & that all future agreements include our fees, make application and become a part of the contract
- 12. HCHS TELEPHONE DUTY Vickie will keep for another month
- 13 NEXT MEETING
 - a. Scheduled for Tuesday, 05/21/13 at 2 PM