

**Brownsburg Community Association
Board of Directors Meeting
September 18, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Brownsburg Community Association Board was held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2008, at Asbury United Methodist Church. Members present were Betty Brown, Bob Driver, Richard Kauffman, Dot Martin, Joe Skovira, Margaret Skovira and Mary Helfenberger. Dick Barnes, Marsha Jones, and Rachel Koeniger were also present at the meeting.

President Joe Skovira called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: After a motion by Margaret Skovira and a second by Bob Driver, the board approved the minutes of the August 21, 2008, meeting, which had been circulated by e-mail prior to the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Approximately \$2600 remains in association accounts after paying picnic expenses of \$1754. Some of the picnic expenses were covered by donations.

To date \$207,000 in donations has been received for the museum. In addition, \$30,000 in association funds was allocated to the museum. Pledges in the amount of \$65,000 are due by 2012.

Of \$1000 budgeted, \$945 in membership dues have been received this year. The article in the last newsletter generated interest in business memberships.

Museum Advisory Committee: Museum interior construction has been completed, and exterior construction is expected to be complete by September 24. Approximately \$96,000 of \$125,000 budgeted three years ago has been spent on museum construction to date. Dick Barnes noted that Spencers provided guttering at cost, and Michael and Dee Papit donated all of the interior track lighting. Dick requested an additional \$3,000 to cover final construction expenses. Bob Driver moved that the request be approved. Dot Martin seconded the motion, which was carried by the board. The interior has been turned over to the museum acquisitions committee pending final building inspection.

Beautification: Milton Reid has requested that a hose be purchased for watering new shrubs near Richard Kauffman's house. The purchase of the hose will be covered by the \$500 budgeted for beautification for the year.

Publicity: Rachel Koeniger sent a picture taken at the community picnic to the News-Gazette. The picture is expected to be published on September 24.

Articles for the next newsletter are due to Rachel by Thursday, September 25. Rachel will include at least one photo from the picnic. Dick Barnes will write an article on museum completion and museum donations. Isabelle Chewning will write an article on museum acquisitions. Richard Kauffman will write an article on the election of the mayor of Brownsburg. Rachel Koeniger will write an article on the annual meeting. Margaret Skovira will provide the membership list for publication. Three business memberships will be profiled.

Special Events: No report.

Membership: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Election of Mayor of Brownsburg: Two nominations – Gwen Campbell from Brownsburg and Tim Smith from Batesville – have been received. The current priority is to get more nominations. An article in the newsletter and a postcard to be sent in mid-October are the principle means of soliciting additional nominations. Any nominations received by Margaret Skovira by Wednesday, September 24, will be mentioned in the newsletter.

Nomination of New Board Members: The nomination committee, which is headed by Bob Driver, has identified nominees for two of the three board vacancies. A third candidate is likely to accept the nomination for the third opening.

Asbury Church Windows: Replacement of the church windows has been completed.

NEW BUSINESS

Fundraiser

Marsha Jones led the board in a discussion of an arts and crafts show to be held next year, preferably in the spring. These topics were discussed:

- How much money do we want to raise?
- What media will be accepted?
- What rules and regulations will be in place?
- Where will the show be held? If the show will be held outdoors, will the artists be required to bring their own setups?
- What parking will be available?
- What lead time will be required? (applications may be due back four months before the show)
- How much commission will be required? (anywhere from 20 – 50%)
- Will an entry fee be required? (no more than \$25)
- What will distinguish this show? If the show will feature local artists, how will we define local?
- What costs will be involved?
- How much effort will be required?

Next year's board will decide what fundraising activities will be conducted. The current board will develop a proposal for consideration by the new board. Next month the current board will continue the discussion, with the objective of identify task areas and types of decisions that will have to be made.

Cards

The board will send a sympathy card to Gwen Campbell whose father recently passed away, and a get well card to Don Firebaugh who has been ill.

Next BCA Board Meeting: The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 16, at Asbury Church.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Helfenberger
Secretary