

## 1814 Board

Meeting via ZOOM

Friday, October 14, 2021

4:04 pm-4:57 pm

### **Board Members Present:**

Tom Donahue	in person
Forrest Edwards	in person
Richard Frost	in person
Vicki Giroux	in person
Jim Guinness	in person
Charles Loscalzo	via zoom
Chris Ransom	in person
Mary Simmers	in person
Samantha Williams	via zoom

### **Board Members Not Present:**

Wendy Gilchrist  
Tim Horn  
Judy Lefebvre  
PJ Miller  
Emily Moosmann  
Lana Putnam  
Linda Masterson Ward

### **Welcome and Agenda**

President, Tom Donahue called the meeting of the Board of Directors of 1814 Inc. to order at 4:04pm and welcomed everyone.

Tom moved to approve the agenda for the meeting, Chris seconded, and all approved the agenda.

### **Board Meeting**

Tom reported that by our Bylaws we should meet six times a year on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month. We could meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday in November, January, March, May, July, and September. There was discussion about how many Board meetings were needed per year and many felt that four per year would be adequate. Tom suggested that someone could write a resolution to change the meeting frequency of the Board from six time per year to once each quarter.

### **2021 Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration Reports**

Tom commented that almost everyone submitted excellent reports on the activities they were involved with. Reports are still coming in.

### **2022 Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration**

The Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration is usually held the second weekend in September, the first weekend after Labor Day. For 2022 this would be September 9, 10 and 11. There was discussion that we might need to tentatively pick dates for more than just a year ahead so maybe at least for 2022 and 2023. These would be tentative.

### **2021 Commemoration Video**

Bruce Carlin videotaped the entire weekend. He needs at least \$1,000. to edit the recording. Forrest moved to pay up to \$1,500. to Bruce Carlin for editing the video tape of the 2021 Commemoration.

Rich seconded.

All in attendance approved.

Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Forrest presented the Treasurer's report.

There was discussion on the report and Forrest answered everyone's questions. It was noted that the values of In-Kind contributions are included in the budget. The greatest discount on services was given by Bruce Carlin. Forrest noted that 1099s will be issued, as required, to all individuals who received \$600. or more.

Mary moved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Vicki seconded.

No further discussion.

All present approved.

Motion passed.

### **Meeting with the City of Plattsburgh**

Tom said that Vicki and he would be meeting with representative of the City of Plattsburgh this Monday, October 18. They will be meeting with Courtney and Skippy from the City. They will be reviewing the 2021 Commemoration. They will give the City our 2022 tentative date of Sept 9-11, 2022, and request that other, not related activities not be scheduled on those dates if possible. They will talk about closing the streets, access to rest rooms, increasing waste receptacles, adding recycling receptacles, liaisons from city and 1814 group. One idea is to engage the Scouts in a project to increase recycling. Tom and Vicki will ask about the use of Wilcox Dock for battles on the water.

### **Nominations to the 1814 Board**

Tom described the current slate of nominations:

President	Tom Donahue
Vice President	Co Vice President Vicki Giroux and Co Vice President Timothy Horn
Treasurer	Forrest Edwards
Secretary	Chris Ransom

Individuals interested in remaining on the Board in addition to the Officers listed above are:

Richard Frost  
Wendy Gilchrist  
Jim Guinness  
Judy Lefebvre  
Charles Loscalzo  
Mary Simmers

Linda Masterson Ward would like to continue to be active in the Battle of Plattsburgh but does wish to continue on the Board.

Samantha Williams will be consulting with the Board of the Kent Delord House to see if someone is interested in serving on the 1814 Board as Samantha lives a distance from Plattsburgh and someone who lives closer might be better able to attend Board meetings.

Of the sixteen current Board members, Tom has not heard back from Lana Putnam, PJ Miller, and Emily Moosmann.

Board members were asked to give suggestions for Board members. Mary Simmers suggested Bruce Moore, Steve Peters, and Kristin Collins.

Vicki will create a form for an email vote.

Tom moved that the current nominations be accepted.

Forrest seconded.

There was no further discussion.

All present approved the current nominations.

Nominations will be accepted until next Friday, October 22, 2021.

Vicki will create a form for voting and the voting will be conducted by email.

According to our Bylaws we can have up to 20 Board Members. We currently have 16 Board Members.

### **Reenactors**

Sam spoke to the challenge of attracting reenactors to our event. She said that museum staff (New York State and Vermont) let each other know when they are planning activities. She has given Crown Point our tentative date of Sept 9-11, 2022, and they plan to avoid scheduling activities during that time. Museums post their activities schedules on their web sites. Sam pointed out that reenactors are very interested in battles on the water. Currently the water in the Saranac River is too low for battles on the water. She is investigating the use of Wilcox Dock. Wilcox Dock is walking distance of downtown and there is area available to park.

**Quilt Raffle**

The quilt will be displayed in the mall the beginning of November. Please email Linda when you can sell raffle tickets at the mall while the quilt is on display. The quilt will be raffled on Veterans' Day.

**Business After Hours**

Tom and Forrest are planning to attend the upcoming Business After Hours at Olive Ridley's 5:30pm to 7pm on Thursday, October 21. Tom encouraged BOP members to attend. Business After Hours provides a good opportunity to thank our supporters and to educate people about the Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration.

**Signs**

For future events, we will try to design signs with a space to add stickers for the date so that the signs can be reused each year, only changing the date with new stickers.

**Cards**

Chris will send sympathy and get-well cards from 1814 Battle of Plattsburgh to Judy and Lana, respectively.

**Board Meetings**

Tom asked Chris to see if the auditorium in the Plattsburgh Public Library is available for Friday, November 5, 2021, from 4pm to 6pm.

**Adjournment**

Forrest moved to adjourn the meeting.

Jim seconded.

All present approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:57pm

Respectfully submitted:

Chris Ransom, Secretary

**Attachments:**

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1814 Commemoration, Inc. Balance Sheet, as of October 14, 2021, Profit & Loss Nov 1, 2020 through October 14, 2021 and Transaction Detail By Account Nov 1, 2020 through October 14, 2021

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