**JOURNEY THROUGH HALLOWED GROUND PARTNERSHIP**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**HELD**

Via Conference Call

June 4, 2019

9:00 a.m.

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

Members attending: JTHG Team attending:

Chair Chuck Ledsinger Bill Sellers

Treasurer Chris Miller Michelle Burrelli

Secretary Jim Campi Laura Lake

Peter Friedman Katherine Wilkins

Gertraud Hechl Penny Williams

Kathleen Kilpatrick

Betsy Merritt Other Attendees:

David Williams

Brent Glass

Hilary Strimple

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

Chair Ledsinger confirmed the notice of meeting was given, and confirmed there is a quorum present.

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the March 3, 2019 Board meeting.

MOTION BY: Chris Miller

SECONDED BY: Kathleen Kilpatrick

NONE BEING OPPOSED, THE MOTION CARRIED

**Financial Discussion**

Mr. Miller stated that the Board is receiving a complete, transparent financial picture from Ms. Williams and passed the discussion to Ms. Williams to review the numbers. Ms. Williams reviewed the Executive Summary of Financials.

Chair Ledsinger suggested we think about banking relationships holistically and delegate a motion regarding banking changes to the finance committee.

Ms. Williams stated that the CDs are maturing in June, and we need a Board motion to liquidate them to roll them into the new Money Market account.

**Motion:** To liquidate the two CDs when they mature in June and move the funds to the Money Market account earning over 2% interest.

MOTION BY: Chris Miller

SECONDED BY: Kathleen Kilpatrick

NONE BEING OPPOSED, THE MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Miller complimented Mr. Sellers on the recent Route 15 efforts.

**Tin Shop Report**

Ms. Burrelli provided an overview of the renovations made to the Tin Shop, and the open house the previous weekend.

**Fundraising and Recruiting Report**

Mr. Sellers updated the Board on our relationship with the College Board and the summer break programs they have proposed for next year. Mr. Sellers also discussed his recent meeting with the Charles Hayden Foundation, who helped recruit five students from NYC who they will be paying a portion of the tuition for.

Mr. Sellers and Mr. Glass provided a fundraising update. Mr. Sellers gave an update on foundations and the NEH Chairman’s Grant, and Mr. Glass mentioned the meeting with Reggie Chapple, Chief of Partnerships and Philanthropy for the National Park Service, who is interested in partnering the National History Academy with different National Park Service Units across the country to engage students more deeply.

Chair Ledsinger thinks this is a unique opportunity, and an extension and enhancement of the mission of the Journey. It will bring more national recognition to the National Heritage Area. Mr. Williams agrees, but adds that he hopes that by taking advantage of this opportunity, we do not lose the pursuit of the overall mission of the Journey to become solely focused on youth education.

**Discussion of JTHG Programs**

Mr. Sellers reported to the Board about the meeting with VDOT scheduled in Richmond tomorrow to review the Wayfinding effort. Mr. Sellers also provided an update on the Route 15 efforts, which we learned over the past weekend has been approved to be 4-laned to the Potomac River.

The JTHG website should be completed later this summer.

The Extreme Journey Camp is near full for all three sessions that will be run this summer.

**Other business**

* Next meeting: September/October 2019

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting.

MOTION BY: David Williams

SECONDED BY: Chris Miller

NONE BEING OPPOSED, THE MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.