

**Westampton Township
Timbuctoo Advisory Committee
Second Quarter Meeting
May 18, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Guy Weston at 12:10 PM. Attendees were Denita Curry, JoAnn Donnelly, Machell Still-Pettis, Linda Hynes, Kent Pipes, Guy Weston, Lynda Williams and resident Nancy Burkley.

On May 1st, a curriculum development meeting was held with JoAnn, Guy, 2 teachers from Westampton Middle School and 2 from RVRHS to introduce Timbuctoo history into the local school systems. The middle school will focus on six graders. The high school will target 10th grade and will also have an art contest focusing on the *Battle of Pine Swamp*. Winners and prizes will be awarded in September. The next meeting will be in June via telephone.

40 T-shirts were purchased from Custom Ink by Lynda with funds from the grant. Members of the Committee received a shirt along with the teachers participating in the curriculum development. There are 3 events coming up that we will be able to sale the T-shirts for \$20 each. (History Fun Day, Farm Fair and Timbuctoo Day).

Grant applications have been written by Guy for cemetery preservation, educational programming and general operating support. Applications will be submitted to Bank of America, Campbell Soup, PNC Bank, Walmart and the Stafford Foundation. The grant amounts range from \$5,000 - \$15,000. A suggestion was made to contact the Rowan Foundation.

An inspection of the house at 114 Church St. is schedule for next week. There have been reports of mold and areas within the structure that are not suitable to walk on. It must be determined if the house is structurally sound before we can move forward.

Timbuctoo Day Planning:

- . September 21st rain date September 28th.
- . Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The start time this year was changed to 11 am from 12:00 pm. The following areas were discussed and assignments were made.

Publicity/Outreach

- . Guy will do press releases, Facebook and social media.
- . New website – LearnTimbuctoo.com
- . JoAnn will promote in schools via school websites and flyers. She will setup contest for students attending Timbuctoo Day and contact churches in the area.
- . Guy to have flyer available by July 1st.
- . Machell suggested we used *Evite* to gauge attendance, promote T-shirt sales, school contest, etc. She will setup an account.
- . Check Comcast for public service announcements.
- . Nancy Burkley will put on websites.

Hospitality

- . Denita will head this function which includes tent setup, seating, greeters, ushers etc.

Township Support

- . Guy to provide Linda with a list of items needed.
- . Landscaping
- . PA system previously provided by Change Church, need Mary to check.

Food

- . Machell will be in charge of food. Need food to be kid friendly. Last year food plate was \$9:00 need lower price and larger selection.
- . She will check with Todd in Recreation to see if a grill and equipment from the snack bar can be used.
- . Kent will check with Vince's Ice Cream
- . Contact food truck in Philadelphia

Logistics

- . Guy will check with Mary to be responsible for this.
- . Use of school bus to transport attendees from Holly Hill parking lot.
- . JoAnn doesn't think a bus is available, will check with Wills Bus
- . Parking at Timbuctoo was an issue. Linda suggest we provide a list of who is authorized to enter to the officers at the entrance.
- . Guy will provide Linda a list for proclamations.
- . Nancy will check on getting name badges for the committee.

Program

- . Guy will take care of the program
- . Entertainment – choir, praise dancers, spoken word, story teller, dance troupe. Need to contact RVRHS.
- . Color guard from RVRHS, need to contact now before school closes
- . Theme: Support of Local Quakers
- . Contact the Color Troops – cost \$250
- . Contact local Quaker group
- . Machell suggest that all members of the committee participate in the program.

Other

- . Machell will request a donation of flowers from Home Depot.
- . Guy will check on white grave markers

We will have an update conference call on **Thursday, June 27th at 7 pm.**
Guy will provide conference call information. The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted.
Lynda Williams, Secretary