

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MUSEUM DIVISION
ST MARY'S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS, AND COMMUNITY
SERVICES**

**November 10, 2008
Recreation, Parks, and Community Services Conference Room**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
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Lewie Aldridge, Jr.

James Banagan E

Rose Davis
Helen Dorsey
Steve Dunlap
Susan Gough
George Kennett
Shirley Leyland
John Madel

Frank Maio E
Claudia McAuliffe E

ADVISORS PRESENT	ADVISORS ABSENT
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Debra Pence, Museum Director

Phil Rollins, Director Recreation, Parks, &
Community Services

Call to Order

President Shirley Leyland., called the meeting to order at 08:06 am. The Board pledged allegiance to the flag and observed a moment of silent reflection.

Roll Call

The Secretary called the roll and announced presence of a quorum. A member of the public was present.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the September 8, 2008 meeting and the agenda for this meeting were delivered electronically to Board Members. Rose Davis moved that the September 8, 2008 minutes be approved. John Madel seconded the motion and the motion passed by voice vote.

Old Business

The museum Director sends each board member a monthly report. There were no questions on the September report.

New Business

Debra commented on the increases in attendance at all Museum Division venues that she presented in her October report.

The Director addressed the coming year budget direction she has received from the county. She described the two budgets she will submit. The first is an actual operating budget. The second is a reduced operating budget. The direction for the coming year is a five to 10 percent reduction.

Debra reported for Phil Rollins that the erosion project at Piney Point is underway and is being accomplished from barges. This means that heavy truck loads of rocks and equipment will not be moving up and down Lighthouse Road. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year and will ensure that the Lighthouse does not wash away in a major storm in the future.

Lewie reported that the Friends are working on their budget for the coming year. Their second project is construction of the Collection Management Facility. The Friends are also planning events for their 25th anniversary celebration next year.

John Madel reported that 3000 plus visitors were on the island for the Blessing of the Fleet. They were only able to accommodate about 1000 visitors to the lighthouse. The Foundation is reviewing their procedures for moving visitors through the lighthouse.

The Blackistone Foundation is responsible for the physical aspect of the lighthouse. They made this agreement with the State of Maryland in order to construct the lighthouse on State property.

John also reported that 400 Black Eyed Susan plants were planted last week. Those plants were paid for by the St. Clements 100.

Susan Gough presented the nominating committee report of nominations for Board officers for 2009. She reported that the following will stand for the office indicated: Shirley Leyland for President, George Kennett for Vice President, and Steve Dunlap for Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor. Election of officers will take place at our January meeting.

President Leyland recommended the 2009 meeting schedule shown in the table at the end of this document. Lewie Aldridge moved that the schedule be accepted; second by George Kennett. The motion passed by voice vote.

Up-Coming Activities

President Leyland reviewed the Upcoming activities in the agenda.

Adjournment

With no further business, George Kennett moved to adjourn, second by John Madel. We adjourned at 09:26 am.

Next Meeting Date/Location

The table below is the meeting schedule for calendar year 2009

2009 DATES	MEETING TIME	MEETING PLACE
January 12	08:00	Recreation & Parks Conference Room
March 9	08:00	Recreation & Parks Conference Room
March 25*	TBD	Maryland Day SCIM
May 11	08:00	SCIM
July 13	08:00	Recreation & Parks Conference Room
September 14	08:00	PPLHM&HP

November 9	08:00	Recreation & Parks Conference Room
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* Not an official meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Dunlap, Secretary