

## **February 5, 2026 meeting minutes**

### **Financial Summary**

Motion to Approve: Pat Barrett

Seconded: Al Taylor

### **Financial charities report:**

Motion to Approve: Mary Sue Meyers

Seconded: Mary Ann Hoffman

### **Secretaries Report:**

Motion to Approve: Rob Zelenak

Seconded: Al Taylor

### **Fridley Grant Update**

-Mary Ann signed the grant agreement through the MNHS. She also received the contract from Steve.

-She mentioned that Steve will mostly likely want to meet with the board soon.

-We will be using part of the matching \$2,000 toward expenses during the grant period.

-She is still working on the research plan and bibliographies.

### **Membership Update**

134 members as of February 2026

### **Maintenance Report**

-Adams Pest inspected the building.

-Salting and shoveling outside continues.

-Several board members took everything out of the closets in the basement.

-The mold mitigation man advised that the museum downgrade to lower MERV furnace filters.

-Mark (building and grounds) from the school district assessed the back door. The school district will take care of the installation, permits, and the society will pay for the door.

-Estimates for a new door are expected to be around \$5,000.

-A board in the furnace room holding up the back room stairs will be looked at soon.

### **Newsletter Discussion**

-Newsletters were mailed out.

-Deadline for next newsletter will be confirmed in March.

### **Archives & Social Media Update**

-Pat and Rob interviewed Don Meyers and it will be uploaded to the YouTube channel.

-Leon M. and Bill D. are possible subjects for future interviews

-A box of yearbook and memorabilia will be given to Pat

### **Pasta Dinner Discussion**

-Having less prizes was agreed upon by all

-The possibility of going from 25 down to 15 gift cards

### **Mold Mediation Discussion**

\$980 to have six rooms tested // '1000' is the mold mitigation threshold

*upstairs west room: 358*

*storage room under stairs: 1400, black mold was found*

*storage room by kitchen: 300*

*storage room #2 (back furnace room) 1350*

*upstairs east room = 220*

*main basement room = 5000*

-The company said we'd be better off taking care of it ourselves, being that the museum has many items that can be damaged

-Recommendation of getting a dehumidifier for each floor.

-No floor drains for the water to drain into. Options for getting a drain connected to the kitchen tub

-Air scrubber (not an air purifier) with a charcoal filter was recommended \$400 to cover 800 sq feet. All doors would be left open in the basement

-A spray called "Concrobio" is sold at Home Depot - wear gloves, use a mask, spray on a rag, spray the concrobio and rub onto the surfaces.

-A second air test would then be conducted to see if the recommended actions made a difference.

### **Storage Room Updates & Discussion**

-More items that are up for donation

-Suggestion of using plastic bins to store items in basement

### **Open Forum**

-Insurance company requested an inventory list. After much discussion they declined

-Front door alarm is working again