

**The Lower Merion Historical Society
Minutes of the Executive Board of Directors' Meeting
Lower Merion Academy
Tuesday, June 19, 2012**

Call to Order: Jerry Francis called the Executive Board Meeting to order at 7:35 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Excused Absences: Bobbi McElroy, Anna O'Hora and Ross Mitchell.

The Minutes of the April 28, 2012 Executive Board Meeting were approved.

Attendance of New Directors

The two newest members of the Board, Maria Well and Alexander (Pete) Hoskins, were recognized and each gave a short description of their backgrounds and experience.

Cynwyd Train Station

Jerry Francis provided a PowerPoint presentation on the present and potential future renovation of the Cynwyd Train Station, including the stormwater projects to be undertaken in connection with that work. Sarah Francis discussed the stormwater remediation objective, and the proposed two-phase project - one to address water intrusion problems at the Station, and the second to address runoff from the parking area. Jerry Francis distributed a draft memorandum to Lower Merion Township Manager Douglas Cleland concerning remaining renovation work for the Cynwyd Station, and projected costs for such work (estimated at \$59,000 with the exclusion of the second phase of the stormwater project). Township Commissioner Brian McGuire discussed the possibilities for the Township providing funding for this work.

This began an extensive discussion among the members of the Board with regard to the renovation work and the approach to be made to the Township for funding. Although no votes were taken, as the matter was only being presented for discussion rather than decision, the apparent consensus was that (i) LMHS should ask for an amount sufficient to allow completion of remaining work (in view of potential contingencies, a request of \$75,000 was recommended); (ii) LMHS should make clear that there will be future costs to maintain the Station, but that the nature and scale of these would in part be dependent upon the sufficiency of the renovation plan which is eventually implemented.

Jerry Francis and Bruce Reed will have a meeting at the Station with Township staff and Commissioners McGuire, Manos, McElhaney and President Liz Rogan to discuss these issues.

Treasurer's Report – Sam Adenbaum

- *The April 30, 2012 [Jerry: I'm estimating on this based on the last Minutes, as I unfortunately don't have with me what Sam presented at the meeting.] Statement of Financial Position* was presented and approved.

Report from the President – Jerry Francis

- Comments about the Preserve America grant (still awaiting an RFQ from the Township).
- Comments about the impending rezoning of Bala Avenue.

The Next Executive Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, **[Jerry: Please insert the correct date]**, 2012 at 7:30pm at the Lower Merion Academy.

Respectfully Submitted by Bruce D. Reed.