

Indiana State Historic Records Advisory Board  
Minutes – Thursday October 16, 2008  
Indiana State Library

I. Call To Order

Meeting Called to Order at 10:04am by State Coordinator Jim Corridan

II. Accept Agenda

Mr. Corridan asked that the Agenda be Accepted.

Motion passed. BANTIN – WITCHER

III. Roll Call

Present: Nancy Schuckman, Phil Bantin, Tom Krasean, Curt Witcher, Jim Corridan

Guests: Carol Graham, Maire Gurevitz

Absent: Sammie Morris, Steve McShane

IV. Next Meeting Date

December 11, 2008 – 10am – State Library

V. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 minutes were discussed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented passed. SCHUCKMAN – WITCHER

VI. State Coordinator's Report

A. Mr. Corridan distributed the form needed for the grant application for the SHRAB Governor's Award. A list of eligible people should be put together before the December 11 meeting for your review and be prepared to approve them at the December 11 meeting.

B. Mr. Corridan opened up discussion by stating that Curt Witcher had asked if the Board could include some discussion items during the meeting.

What is the role of SHRAB and its members? It allows for Indiana to receive federal funds and set priorities for records across the state. It should serve as an advisory panel to the State Archives and advocate for needs in the arena of records and records preservation, whether paper, electronic, or otherwise.

The State Archives is proceeding cautiously on the building of a new State Archives building, specifically looking at planning and architectural plans. The Friends of the State Archives are working with Rep. Matt Pierce, Bloomington, and Senator Jim Merritt, Indianapolis, to develop plans. The big issue right now is where to build the building. The hope is to have a new building by 2016.

SHRAB members asked if there was something they could do to help inform people what the Indiana State Archives is trying to achieve. Would it be helpful if SHRAB members had more of a presence and attended meetings with Mr. Corridan in the State when appropriate to help inform organizations what is being

done and what they hope to accomplish in the future. Mr. Corridan thought this was a good suggestion.

- C. Education/Marketing and a series of five Spring Workshops to help change the perception of the archives is being planned for across the state in early Spring. Mr. Corridan asked that the SHRAB members please attend and if able, to provide a workshop at the seminars when they are in their region.

VII. New Business

Mr. Corridan called NARA for a flood assistance grant for the floods that happened in Central Indiana this past summer. Indiana received a special \$10,000 grant out of excess funds that they had this year. NARA is being very supportive.

For the December meeting maybe we should discuss where archives should be in the next 20 or 30 years, what we should be preparing for, and what capital items should be looked at. What resources do we need in order to plan for the future. We have little money, we have lots of records, we have a small staff, and we have lots of expectations.

VIII. Adjournment

The board adjourned at 12:05pm.