

OHIO HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes: October 30, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Fred Previts (ex officio), Connie Conner (ex officio), Ron Davidson, Margaret Roulett, Cindy Hofner, Robin Heise, Tina Ratcliff, Meghan Hays, Virginia Dressler, Tami Kelly, Michelle Sweetser, Stephen Badenhop and Bill Modrow

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Burt Logan (ex officio), Russ Pollitt

OHC STAFF PRESENT: Debra Moorehead

I. **Welcome**

Ratcliff called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. **Consent Agenda**

- a. July 17, 2020 Minutes: Kelly motioned to approve and was seconded by Badenhop. Minutes and consent agenda approved.
- b. Ohio Electronic Records Committee Report
- c. County Archivists and Records Managers Association Report
- d. 2021 Meeting Dates

III. **Strategic Discussion**

- a. Ohio History Connection Update: Todd Kleismit was unable to attend. Previts reported the 2021 Statehood Day would be March 1 and will be virtual.
- b. Membership Update: This was Hofner's last meeting as she will be retiring at the end of the year. She will contact the Ohio Council of County Officials about her replacement. Badenhop shared that the County Archivists and Records Managers Association (CARMA) has reappointed him to serve another 3 years as its representative. It was suggested that John DeWees of the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library be approached as a gubernatorial appointee to replace Davidson who will be leaving the board due to term limits on March 31, 2021. Ratcliff also mentioned that Connie Conner will be serving as Deputy State Coordinator following Liz Plummer's retirement.
- c. OHRAB budget: Previts reported there is still \$12,000 not spent due to meeting virtually and not having the fellowship program this year because of the pandemic. The board will be applying for an extension from the NHPRC to offer the fellowships next year and also to hire another intern.

- d. **Committee and Organizational Updates:** Ratcliff reported that Leslie Korenko of the Kelleys Island Historical Association is the Citizen Archivist award recipient and will be receiving a plaque. However, she and the Kelleys Island Historical Association declined the funding for the professional development training. Ratcliff asked Previts to check with the NHPRC if the funding can be given to the 2nd place nominee.

Ratcliff mentioned that the professional development scholarships had 2 winners. Previts will post them on the web site. She also shared that the Achievement Award had 5 nominees. The Clark County Historical Society and the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library tied and there is enough money in the budget to recognize both. Everyone agreed to give plaques to both.

Davidson reported on the Regrant Committee. He said this is a slow time for the committee and the seven winners are working on their projects. Projects should be completed by January 31, 2021 and final reports are due February 7, 2021.

- IV. New Business:** Ratcliff mentioned that as part of its 2021 grant application the board was asked about promoting the regrant projects and increasing its followers on social media. She would like to restart the Advocacy Committee to promote OHRAB. Sweetser and Heise will serve as co-chairs and Dressler, Roulett and Conner will also serve on the committee.

- V. Closing**

Davidson motioned to adjourn; Hofner seconded; all in favor at 11:05 a.m.