

Blackstone Valley Tourism Council, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

175 Main St
Pawtucket, RI 02860

May 22, 2013

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Attendees:

David Balfour, Chair
Barry Mechanic, Vice Chair
Jacqueline Boudreau, Treasurer
Sue Tessier MacKenzie, Secretary
Paul Eno, Member
Moe Rondeau, Member
John Lefrancois, Member
Mary Lynn Bosiack

Absent:

Carl Freedman, Member
Keith Fayan, Member
Louis Yip, Member
Dave Richards, Member
Judy Fischbach, Member
Debra Fournier, Member
Robert Conway, Member
Anthony Capuano, Member
Mark Brodeur, Member
Helen Moroney, Member
John Gregory, Member

Also Attending:

Robert Billington, President
Natalie Carter, Director of Operations
Dianne Mailloux, Coordinator BV Beautiful/ BV Environmental Education
The Meeting was called to order at 12:00pm with a quorum present.

2. Minutes

On a **MOTION** by Sue Tessier Mackenzie, Seconded by Moe Rondeau the Minutes of the March 15, 2013 meeting were approved as presented and filed.

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Boudreau presented the 2013/14 Budget for approval. Several questions about the budget were fielded by Ms. Carter to the satisfaction of Treasurer. Boudreau. Treasurer Boudreau then advised the Board that the 2013/14 Budget should be approved as presented.

Upon a motion by Sue Tessier Mackenzie and a Second by Barry Mechanic the 2013/14 Budget was unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

Treasurer Boudreau presented the Treasurer's Report dated 05/17/13. She reported there was \$81,941 in Net Income. Upon a Motion by Moe Rondeau and a Second by Paul Eno the Treasurer's Report was Unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

4. **President's Report**

President Billington updated the Board on several projects including:

- Tour Southern New England
- Blackstone Valley Leisurely Bike Tours
- The Rhode Island Cherry Blossom Festival
- The Chocolate Mill Overlook Bridge Lighting
- The planting of 17 Cherry Trees along Roosevelt Ave in Central Falls and Pawtucket
- Blackstone Culinaria
- The Rhode Island Music Hall of Fame
- The Rhode Island Chinese Dragon Boat Races
- The Blackstone Valley Explorer
- The Blackstone Valley Polar Express
- The Blackstone Valley Heritage Golf Tournament
- The Ghost Army Exhibit at the Museum of Work and Culture
 - Billington thanked The Call for their support in the sponsorship of the Stadium Theater presentation of the movie the Ghost Army in November of this year. Mary Lynn Bosiak expressed her eagerness to begin to promote the event. Billington spoke about a top-secret fund-raising effort for the night of the movie.

5. **Other Business**

Billington introduced Dianne Mailloux who explained her event that she is coordinating for the Explorer's 20th Anniversary. She asked the Board for their support.

Upon a Motion by John Lefrancois and a Second by Moe Rondeau the meeting was adjourned at 1:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Robert D. Billington, President