

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TSHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, June 18th, 2025 at 10:00am
Breitung Community Center or Zoom (see email for how to join)

Call to Order/Roll Call: President Nancy Larson at 10:00am

In-Person Attendance: Nancy Larson-President, Linda Folstad-Secretary, Cliff Koski-Board, Louise Gately-Vice President, Diane Meehan-Treasurer, Alan Kilberg-Board, Dick Peyla-Board

Virtual/Phone Attendance: Linda Haugen-Board, Mary St Onge-Board,

Absent: Cookie Bonicatto-Board, Richard Hanson-Board

Approval of Agenda and Action Items:

Motion by Louise Gately to approve the meeting agenda with additions.

2nd by Linda Haugen

Motion carried 9-0

Meeting Minutes: May 21st, 2025

Motion to Approve

Motion by Alan Kilberg to approve the minutes of the May 21st, 2025, meeting as presented.

2nd by Dick Peyla

Motion carried 9-0

Treasurer's Report:

- May 2025

Motion to Accept Treasurer's Reports:

Motion by Louise to accept the Treasurer's reports as presented.

2nd by Linda H.

Motion carried 9-0

Motion to Authorize Disbursements: May 2025

Motion by Cliff Koski to authorize the disbursements for May

2nd by Linda Folstad

Motion carried 9-0

Executive Committee: *No Activity*

***Committee Reports:** (Per By-Laws, the President, or in his/her absence, the Vice-President, shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.)

Standing Committees and Leaders:

1. St. Louis County Historical Society: Linda Folstad – See attached
2. Cemetery-on-Line: Karen Officer – *No report*
3. Communications: Louise Gately, Nancy Larson – See attached
4. Depot Museum and Trains – Facility Management: Linda Folstad, Linda Haugen, Nancy Larson – See attached

*Train Cars

*Settlers Cabin

*Depot Museum Management

5. Fire Hall Management: Leone Graf, Nancy Larson – See attached

6. Fund Raising (Pledges, Capital Campaign): Louise Gately, Nancy Larson – See attached

Everyone received their 52 Club envelopes with the tickets they need to sell during today's meeting.

There is also an info sheet in the envelope to explain all the guidelines we work under.

7. Grant Writing: Nancy Larson – See attached

8. Membership: Linda Folstad – 97 Active Members as of 5/31/2025

Project Committees and Leaders:

1. Annual Meeting: Louise Gately, Linda Haugen, Nancy Larson – *No report*

2. Events/Programs: Louise Gately, Nancy Larson – See attached

3. Life Stories Video History: Cookie Bonicatto, Nancy Larson – *No report*

4. Nominating: (Appointed in July) – *No report*

5. Past Perfect Web Edition: Nancy Larson – See attached

6. Soudan Mine Memorial: Elaine McGillivray – *No report*

Committee Reports Questions/Discussion:

Motion by Diane Meehan to authorize Karen Officer to purchase a back-up drive for Cemetery Online.

2nd by Louise

Motion carried 9-0

Alan got the name of a gentleman from Duluth who ran the restoration side of the museum there. He plans to contact him to come up and look over the train cars and give an assessment on what types of cosmetic renovations (not restoration) would be needed to get them in the best shape for going forward.

There will likely be a new Newsletter Committee with members Louise, Mary St Onge and Richard Hanson. In the meantime, we need to figure out a way to send electronic newsletters to members as the Past Perfect software does not allow for attachments.

Motion to Approve Reports

Motion by Diane to approve the Committee Reports as presented.

2nd by Alan

Motion carried 9-0

New Business:

- Proposed historic collection donations to TSHS:

- Trout Late Portage sign which was accepted and is now on display in the Depot

- Functional circa 1912 Aeolian Player Piano and 75 rolls of music

- The family would want to make sure it is protected from damage by kids and adults. The donation would not have to be accepted immediately, so it could be moved in when we are ready to accept it.

Motion by Dick to accept the piano and music rolls donation

2nd by Linda H.

Motion carried 9-0

- Original bar section from Tower's municipal liquor store
Motion by Louise to accept the bar section donation
2nd by Dick
Motion carried 9-0

- Videographer Update: Owen is available for the August 29th event, and we are working with him on the July history talk date. He is also lined up for the annual meeting speaker and has a backup person if needed since his wife is due around that time.
- September 19 Train Depot Tour Request: A vintage car group will be in town that day and are requesting tours of different sites starting with the Depot. Cliff volunteered to be available that day, and at least one more volunteer will be needed.
- Proposed July 16 meeting time change: The July 16th meeting will start at 9am.
- Lake Vermilion Community Bash Posters: See committee report for details on artwork information.
- Volunteering: It is very important that all volunteer hours are reported as they are forwarded to St. Louis County Historical Society and are considered when they determine our funding amount.

Adjourn:

Motion by Diane to adjourn at 11:44am

2nd by Linda F.

Motion carried 9-0

Next Board Meeting is July 16, 2025, at 9:00am.

****Please review the attached most recent committee list and responsibilities (located at the end of the board packet). Contact Linda F. if you wish to be added or removed from any of the committees listed.***