

**Mansfield Female College Museum  
State Governing Board Meeting  
Wednesday, June 25, 2014 -1:30PM**

**Members Present: Beverly Bedsole, Riemer Calhoun, Jr., John Freeman, Raymond Powell,  
Jeannie Rogers and Sandy Spaulding**

**Members Excused: Ellen Abington, Beverly Bruce, Britney Green, Carolyn Huckabay, Johnny  
McFerren and Judson Rives**

**Guests: Mr. Wayne Waddell, Co-Director of LA. State Museums**

**Mr. Dudley Glenn, President, Friends of the MFCM**

**Mr. Jack Sibley – DeSoto Historical Society**

**Mr. Rodney Clements - Administrative Assistant – LSEM**

**Staff: Barbara Valentine**

**The State Governing Board of the Mansfield Female College Museum met in regular session  
Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 1:30PM at the MFCM. Mr. Raymond Powell, President, called  
the meeting to order and led in prayer. Mr. John Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Mr. Powell introduced our guests for the meeting. Mr. Wayne Waddell gave an overview of  
the budget for the Secretary of State's Office and told everyone that now was the time to ask  
for what was needed for the museum.**

**Motion was made by Ms. Sandy Spaulding and seconded by Mrs. Beverly Bedsole to approve  
the minutes of the April 3, 2014 board meeting as printed. Minutes were approved.**

**Renovation of the museum is complete except for a few minor places that need a little touch  
up. This will be finished sometime in July.**

**Mr. Dudley Glenn, President of the Friends of the MFCM gave a proposal from a benefactor of  
the Friends to take down the pillars at the front entrance of the museum at Monroe Street  
and allow him to place a fountain on the grounds. A quote is expected for this project  
sometime this week. Also a sitting area will be made around the fountain. Mr. Powell  
informed the board that electricity and water was already available at that area. He also  
asked the board to endorse the proposal except the taking down of the pillars. He wants to  
preserve them as it adds to the dignity of the museum. Also the board should state in their  
motion that the state would be in charge of the maintenance of this project. The motion was  
made to accept the benefactor's proposal with the exception of taking down the pillars and  
that the state would restore them and be in charge of the maintenance. Mrs. Bedsole made  
the motion and Ms. Jeannie Rogers seconded it. Motion approved.**

The board needs to get two or three bids on: 1. Maintenance of the property of the MFCM; 2. Restore the sidewalk that was taken up by the contractor doing the work on the outside of The building that went to the front entrance of the museum with it being extended to the driveway; 3. Get quote for someone local to do the landscaping on the flower beds soon so the plants will survive ; and 4. Need water system for the property. Proper requisitions need to be submitted to the state for approval before anything can be done. After much discussion motion was made by Ms. Spaulding and seconded by Mrs. Bedsole for these items to be done. Motion approved.

Mr. John Freeman made the motion for a long term project to be made concerning the entrance to the museum. The drive cannot be used by school busses or tour buses as it is at the present time. Plans must be made to make this drive accessible for these vehicles in order for the education of the children on the MFCM. Ms. Rogers seconded the proposal and the project was approved.

A new display case has been donated to the MFCM by Mr. William Storey for use in the Alumni Room in order to display more artifacts from the graduates of the MFCM.

Always, a great big THANK YOU to Mrs. Powell for all the nice refreshments that she has for us to enjoy during our board meetings. They really make things nice for us.

There being no further business the motion was made by Ms. Spaulding and seconded by Mr. Freeman to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned – Next Meeting October 2, 2014 at 1:30pm please mark your calendars.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Valentine, Director  
Mansfield Female College Museum