Berkshire County Historical Society

Annual Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2019

After a brief cocktail hour and fine buffet at the Pittsfield Country Club, president Charles Flint called the meeting to order.

* The minutes of the 2018 annual meeting were unanimously approved as written.
* Betsy Sherman, interim director, noted that copies of the budget are available on the tables.
  + The budget for the current year was accepted unanimously.
  + Three grants are currently in process
    - CPA grant was received in support of re-siding the barn. It was last done in the 1970s.
    - We will hear about the MHC grant for $50,000 on or around June 12. That also will go toward re-siding and improving the drainage around the barn
    - We’ve just submitted a $5,000 grant **request** to the Berkshire Bank, which will be used to upgrade our technology.
* John Dickson of the Search Committee spoke for the Board when he said how sad we are that Will Garrison had left his position as Executive Director and Curator of our organization. He also introduced our new Executive Director, Lesley Herzberg.
* The Nominating Committee moved that Cindy Brown be the next Board president. Bob Salerno and Don Pfeifer were unanimously appointed for two-year terms, and Betsy Sherman was voted on to the Board. The slate of officers was passed as follows: Cindy Brown, President; Charles Flint, Vice President; Bob Salerno, Treasurer; and Katharine Westwood, Secretary.
* Katharine read a report honoring our past president, Charlie Kaminsky, who passed away unexpectedly earlier this year.
* Lesley outlined plans for the summer season, which will open on Monday, May 20 (See attached).

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.