

## **Kendallville Heritage Association Meeting Minutes**

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The regular meeting of the Kendallville Heritage Association met January 18, 2021 at the Community Learning Center.

Amanda reported that member, Cindy Wilkes passed away. No services were listed. Cindy will be missed. She had a great deal of knowledge of our community's history which she loved to share. And she had so much enthusiasm to learn more.

Amanda reported that we did not receive the grant we applied for due to no income. We will need to find a way to generate income at this time.

- Julie Olin recommended sending out donation request letters.
- Amanda suggested we charge membership dues. If we do charge membership dues we will need to consider what benefits there will be for members. We could look at having occasional speakers and a quarterly newsletter as a benefit to our members. Newsletters would contain minutes, historical facts and upcoming events and projects. Possibly charge \$10 per year / \$15 for family. That seems to be in line with other historical organizations.
- Annie Bozeman suggested we have a kick-off campaign.
- Annie also shared an idea for a fundraiser selling historical playing cards. We could have local businesses and residents sponsor a card. Each card would have a photo with historical information. Sponsorship for these cards would cover the cost of shipping and printing. The sales of the cards would be our profit. We could even offer ½ off membership dues for the first year with purchase of a deck of cards.
- Once covid is no longer an issue, we could organize a euchre or bridge tournament.
- Previously Josh Ogle and Craig Munk suggested having a pop museum which we could charge admission for. We could coordinate with the farmer's market.
- We could sell tickets to have dinner at historical homes. Some homeowners may want to provide dinner, and some may want to have it catered. We could look for sponsors such as liquor stores and caterers to donate wine, food, etc.
- We could have porch tours. They were successful during the Sesquicentennial.

Next meeting will be February 15, 2021 at the Community Learning Center Board Room.

### **Meeting was adjourned**

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Daniels, Secretary