## **Lower Merion Historical Society**

Minutes of the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Meeting Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Lower Merion Academy, First Floor Meeting Room

After 30 minutes of fellowship, the meeting was called to order by President Gerald Francis at 7:30 in the Meeting Room of *the Academy*, home of the *Lower Merion Historical Society*.

## Those in attendance were:

Gerald Francis, Leon Levine, Perrin Hamilton, Bobbie McElroy, Christina Fink, Carole Strickland, Joanne Murray, Gary Brock, Max Buten, Pete Hoskins.

Excused Absence: Ken Brier, Martha Moffat, Bruce Gill, Lou Barson

The assembled pledged their allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

This meeting began with a presentation by Janet Frazer of the plans for the *Merion Friends History Festival* on the grounds of the *Merion Friends Meeting House* on Saturday May 20, 2017 from 10 AM until 3 PM. After discussion of this event, several members of the *Historical Society* volunteered to participate in this event.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: The minutes of the meeting of the *LM Historical Society* of January 17, 2017 were approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Leon Levine presented the Treasurer's Report with an explanation of many of the society's financial activities. Gerald Francis informed us that there was currently \$58,000. in our checking account.

**L.M. Horse Company Report**: Christina Fink informed us that there has been meetings and communications regarding our newly acquired *Lower Merion Society for the Detection and Prosecution of Horse Thieves and the Recovery of Stolen Horses* which was founded in 1818. In this past year, the *LM Historical Society* has acquired this organization along with its treasury of more than

\$7,000. On these funds are being sequestered for the L.M. Horse Company. Christina Fink, Chair of the L.M. Horse Company Committee of the Historical Society, plans for this committee to meet in June of 2017 to draft a Mission Statement and plan on how to best integrate this society into our historical society.

<u>Financial Review</u>: No report at this time. Perry Hamilton will report in September.

**Nominating Committee**: Gerald Francis reported for the Nominating Committee. The following are nominations:

President Gerald A Francis
Vice President Kenneth L Brier
Treasurer Leon Levine
Corresponding Barbara McElroy

Secretary

Recording Perrin C Hamilton Jr

Secretary

Nominations for the Board of Directors for the class of 2020: Christina Fink, Martha Moffat, Carole Strickland

The report of the Nominating Committee was approved. There were no additional nominations from the floor. The proposed slate of the Nominating Committee was approved unanimously by vote of the assembled membership.

Dates of Responsibility:

May 20, 2017 Merion Friends History Festival

June 20, 2017 Meeting of the Board of Lower Merion Historical

Society

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM with the Welsh proverb: "There's reward in every goodness".

Respectfully submitted,

Perrin C Hamilton Jr, Recording Secretary of the LM Historical Society