

**Tippecanoe County Historical Association  
Board of Governors Meeting**

*Mission: To Enrich the Lives of Tippecanoe County Residents and Visitors by collecting, preserving, researching, and sharing our unique and diverse history.*

**AGENDA**

**5:15 PM, March 26, 2024**

**HYBRID MEETING – IN PERSON and ZOOM**

**Members of the Board** (total: 21 – quorum: 11)

Jeff Schwab – President	Del Bartlett	Quentin Robinson
Dave Sattler – Vice President	Pete Bill	Marsha Selmer
Nick Schenkel - Secretary	Jeff Burnworth	Bridget Slack
Lorita Bill – Treasurer	H. Kory Cooper	Jeremy Spann
Rosanne Altstatt	Walt Griffin	John F. Thieme
Cassandra Apuzzo	David Hovde	Whitney Walton
Colby Bartlett	Tara Raber	Todd White

**Meetings are Hybrid unless otherwise noted. In person at the History Center and available on ZOOM.**

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## **FUTURE DATES FOR MEETINGS and EVENTS**

**Executive Committee (agenda setting)** – 5:15 the Thursday before a Board meeting  
(currently Zoom meetings)

**Board of Governors – Fourth Tuesday of the Month** at 5:15

- April 23, 2024
- May 21, 2024 (Moved due to Memorial Day Holiday)
- June 25, 2024
- July 23, 2024
- August 27, 2024
- No September Meeting due to Feast setup
- October 22, 2024
- November 19, 2024 (Moved due to Thanksgiving Holiday)
- December 17, 2024- Budget Meeting (Moved due to Christmas Holiday)

## AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Minutes from February 27, 2024 Board meeting – *Pages 4-7*
- Officers' reports and business
  - President
    - Eberle Core Responsibilities – Oversight (separate document)
  - Vice President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer – *Pages 8-10*
    - TCHA 990 Review (separate document)
- Executive Director Report – Claire Eagle – *Page 11*
  - Office repainted and file cabinets being cleaned out
  - Fire inspection of History Center found a few issues
  - Working on annual campaign letter
- Battlefield Museum Report – Trey Gorden – *Page 12*
  - Visitor numbers are up
  - Adjusting prices at the gift shop
- Membership Report – Kelly Lippie – *Page 13*
  - Newsletter has gone out in email
  - TCHA supporter stickers going out to new/renewal members
- Collections Report – Kelly Lippie – *Pages 14*
  - Volunteer/Intern projects continue
  - Loaned items for Grand View Caretaker's Cottage Exhibits
  - Compiling photographs and artifact images for the Bicentennial Book
- Library Report – Amy Harbor – *Page 15*
  - Low interest in Genealogy class so far
  - May 18 Cemetery tour needs a couple more volunteers
  - Ten volunteers working on library projects
- Feast Report – Brooke Sauter – *Pages 16*
- Notes from Committees – *Pages 17-19*
- Any Other Business
- *END AGENDA*

**Minutes for February 27, 2024**  
**TCHA Board of Governors Meeting**  
**In Person at the History Center and Zoom Meeting**

Board President Jeffrey Schwab called the TCHA Board of Governors to order at 5:17 pm at The TCHA History Center.

Governors attending in-person were Jeff Schwab, Dave Sattler, Lorita Bill, Cassandra Appuzzo, Pete Bill, Jeff Burnworth, H. Cory Cooper, David Hovde, Tara Raber, Quentin Robinson, Bridget Slack, Jeremy Spann, Whitney Walton, and Todd White.

Governors Colby Bartlett and Nick Schenkel attended online.

Governors Roseanne Altstatt, Del Bartlett, Walt Griffin, Marsha Selmer, and John Thieme were not present in person or online.

Executive Director Claire Eagle, Curator Kelly Lippe and Feast Coordinator Brooke Sauter were present in person.

TCHA staff members Amy Harbor and Trey Gorden attended online.

The Minutes of the December 19, 2023, Board Meeting were presented and approved, with corrections, by voice vote after a motion and second from Quentin Robinson and Dave Sattler.

President Jeff Schwab introduced the new board of governors.

He reported on the Annual Meeting, held on February 3, 2024, noting sixty (60) TCHA members attended. Teay's Brewing was thanked for their tasty catering and the speaker, Ms. Patricia Goodman from Wolf Park, was thanked for her welcome presentation of Wolf Park's history.

President Schwab circulated Conflict of Interest and Whistleblower forms, asking board members to read, fill out, sign and return soon.

Committee Assignments were discussed with President Schwab noting that each board member is expected to serve on a minimum of two TCHA committees. Each board member should let President Schwab and ED Claire Eagle know of their desired committee assignments. Note: President Schwab stated the Feast Committee, and the Acquisitions Committees are both filled (though if a board member has a serious interest in either committee please talk with President Schwab)

The Vice President had nothing to report.

The Secretary had nothing to report other than the Minutes previously approved.

The Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report for February 2024, pointing to the 4+% interest rates received for investments in the cash accounts.

She explained TCHA's Investment Accounts intended use and the 2024 distributions procedures; most useful as they can provide cash for Operating expenses if the Feast of the Hunter's Moon does not have a successful income year.

She noted that the last two years have seen the board invest \$50,000 into the TCHA trust; she will lead discussion of possible additional investment at the March meeting.

She reminded the board that additional income streams are needed to diversify TCHA's long term financial health.

She concluded with a review of the Budget vs. Actuals report for January 2024 (see attached) and pointed the board's attention to the \$5,444.25 positive variance in net income for actual vs. budget.

Board Officer elections were held with all current officers agreeing to serve another one-year term. No new nominations were made, and nominations were closed on a motion by Pete Bill, seconded by Todd White with an affirmative vote by the board members present.

Motion to approve officers as presented was made by Quentin Robinson and Dave Sattler, voice vote of board members present confirmed the motion. Officers elected for 2024:

President – Jeff Schwab

Vice President – Dave Sattler

Secretary- Nick Schenkel

Treasurer – Lorita Bill

Claire Eagle presented the Executive Director's Report (see attached), pointing to reports covering Administration (board members are encouraged to attend one or more Eberle Series programs along with the ED), programs (noting the new dinner series with chef Lauren Reed), Facilities, and Grants and Donations (responding to a question from a board member she told us about fifteen (15) donations were received to repair the Reifer's neon rocking chair).

Trey Gorden presented the Battlefield Museum Report (see attached). The Battlefield opened for the year on February 1 and visitor numbers are modestly up from February 2023. Trey announced the Miami Tribe will participate in this year's Commemoration ceremonies. More information will be provided in future meetings.

Kelly Lippe spoke to us about the Membership Report (see attached). The total number of memberships continues to increase. The first membership newsletter of 2024 will be issued in early March.

Kelly Lippe presented the Collections Report (see attached). Ms. Lippe explained TCHA's deaccession process and explained "out of scope" items on the Deaccession list presented at the board meeting were mostly placed in the TCHA collections before a written collections policy was approved several years ago.

Pete Bill moved, and Todd White seconded that the Deaccession list of items presented for board consideration be approved as presented. A voice vote by members present approved the motion.

The Librarian's Report was presented by Amy Harbor (see attached). She drew the board's attention to the May cemetery tour scheduled at Spring Vale Cemetery, noting more volunteer docents at the cemetery tour are always welcome.

Brooke Sauter presented the Feast Report (see attached). This year's Feast is scheduled for October 5 and 6. The Feast will feature the Blockhouse.

Discussions continue with the Peoria and Miami tribes and both plan on attending.

The initial Food Booth meeting is scheduled for April 24.

Applications for Feast participation are moving into a more digital oriented format.

Sponsorships will be emphasized for the 2024 Feast, focusing on both existing and new donors.

Additional work to prepare is underway as Feast planning continues to be a year 'round effort.

Other Committee Reports were presented (see attached).

Brooke Sauter spoke for the Development and Membership Committee with these highlights:

- New membership logos have been ordered for distribution to members and a potential member's packet has been developed for use with recruiting.
- The 2024 Annual Appeal will be issued in Spring instead of Fall this year.
- Seeking grants from new sources is underway.

Jeff Burnham reported for the Facilities Committee. Highlights:

- Roof repair work at The History Center will be done by Thayer's and
- plans for chimney work, lighting and kitchen work – all in The History Center – are under consideration by the Committee.

Trey Gorden reported for the Historic markers Committee. He noted work to develop funding for repairs and for new markers and reminded us that the historic marker noting the career of local poet/author/illustrator Evaleen Stein will be installed and celebrated May 23 at 5:30 pm outside her former home at 708 Hitt Street in Lafayette.

Jeff Schwab reported for the Bicentennial Publications Committee, noting the committee has in-hand over one third of the articles planned for the book and continues to seek authors and articles for the goal of 200 articles for the book.

Korey Cooper reported for the Ouiatenon Preserve Committee, noting that grant work is proceeding for two Committee projects.

Claire Eagle presented on behalf of the Program Committee and urged board members to consider joining the committee. She highlighted the program schedule for the remaining first quarter and the new historical dinners with chef Lauren Reed (intended as historical events and as fund raising opportunities for TCHA). Volunteers are needed to help with the dinners.

The Publications Committee had no report; work is focusing on the book celebrating the Bicentennials of Lafayette and Tippecanoe County.

Additional information shared with the Board:

Kory Cooper and Jeff Schwab reported the recent book party for the new book “The History and Archaeology of Fort Ouiatenon: 300 Years in the Making” edited by Misty M. Jackson, H. Kory Cooper and David M. Hovde was well attended and the book available at the event sold out! Copies are available at TCHA, local bookstores and online.

David Hovde urged us to attend the Maple Sugaring event this weekend. He shared enthusiasm for the number of kids and families and the fun and knowledge shared by the maple sugar re-enactors. Claire added that TCHA has scheduled four re-enactor events for 2024, maple sugaring is one of the premier events.

There being no additional business, Whitney Walton and Todd White moved adjournment and the motion was approved by a voice vote at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Nick Schenkel, TCHA Secretary

**Treasurer's Report  
Lorita Bill  
March 2024**

<b>Tippecanoe County Historical Association</b>			
<b>Selected Accounts</b>			
<b>February 2024</b>			
	<b>2/29/2024</b>	<b>1/31/2024</b>	<b>Change from Last Month</b>
<b>Bank Accounts</b>			
<b>Petty Cash</b>	572.17	572.17	-
<b>First Merchants Checking 1%</b>	47,834.30	35,089.54	12,744.76
<b>First Merchants Operating MM 4.75%</b>	325,365.26	324,170.88	1,194.38
<b>Em Maint &amp; HC Restricted MM 4.75%</b>	36,536.32	36,402.20	134.12
<b>Ouiatenon Preserve Account 4.75%</b>	105,715.43	105,566.85	148.58
<b>Feast Rainy Day CD 5.25%</b>	103,959.85	103,521.85	438.00
<b>Undeposited Funds</b>	542.73	60.85	481.88
<b>Total Change in Cash</b>	620,526.06	605,384.34	15,141.72
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<b>Accounts Payable</b>	(7,075.48)	(5,030.55)	(2,044.93)
<b>Credit Card</b>	(4,215.74)	(1,632.87)	(2,582.87)
<b>Cash less current obligations</b>	<b>609,234.84</b>	<b>598,720.92</b>	<b>10,513.92</b>



	<b>2/29/2024</b>	<b>2/28/2023</b>	<b>Change from Last Year</b>	
<b>Bank Accounts</b>				
Petty Cash	572.17	571.64	0.53	
First Merchants Checking 1%	47,834.30	258,269.35	(210,435.05)	
First Merchants Operating MM 4.75%	325,365.26	-	325,365.26	114,930.21
Em Maint & HC Restricted MM 4.75%	36,402.20	36,011.48		
Ouiatenon Preserve Account 4.75%	105,715.43	88,848.14	16,867.29	
Feast Rainy Day CD 5.25%	103,959.85	100,047.05	3,912.80	
Undeposited Funds	542.73	136.93	405.80	
<b>Total Change in Cash</b>	<b>620,391.94</b>	<b>483,884.59</b>	<b>136,116.63</b>	
Accounts Payable	(7,075.48)	(8,480.00)	1,404.52	
Credit Card	(4,215.74)	(3,164.89)	(1,050.85)	
<b>Cash less current obligations</b>	<b>609,100.72</b>	<b>472,239.70</b>	<b>136,861.02</b>	
<b>Investment Accounts</b>	<b>12/31/2023</b>	<b>12/31/2022</b>	<b>Change 2023</b>	
TCHA Trust	1,380,418.37	1,209,447.14	170,971.23	
Wetherill Trust	359,552.16	333,524.92	26,027.24	
Lafayette Community Foundation (6/30)	32,981.29	30,412.64	2,568.65	
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>1,772,951.82</b>	<b>1,573,384.70</b>	<b>199,567.12</b>	
*Investments are updated quarterly				
		<b>YTD</b>		
<b>Interest income</b>	<b>2/29/2024</b>	<b>2/29/2024</b>		
Interest Earned on Money Market Accounts	2,356	4,562		

## Tippecanoe County Historical Association Budget vs. Actuals: 2024

	January & February 2024		
	Actual	Budget	Variance
<b>Income</b>			
Grant Operating	500.00	-	500.00
Contributions	40,757.00	38,900.00	1,857.00
Museum Store Sales	2,735.41	2,000.00	735.41
Library Revenue	745.90	420.00	325.90
Membership Dues	2,755.00	3,475.00	(720.00)
Programs & Education	1,203.00	2,000.00	(797.00)
Feast Of The Hunters Moon	-	-	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>48,696.31</b>	<b>46,795.00</b>	<b>1,901.31</b>
Cost of Goods Sold	1,320.06	900.00	420.06
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>47,376.25</b>	<b>45,895.00</b>	<b>1,481.25</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	39,217.01	39,832.59	(615.58)
Administrative Expenses	1,092.30	1,614.50	(522.20)
Contract Services Administrative	4,394.01	4,000.00	394.01
Equipment & Supplies	957.29	720.00	237.29
Collections, Exhibits & Library	600.97	1,280.00	(679.03)
Museum Store Expenses	52.25	375.00	(322.75)
Insurance and Taxes	3,314.16	3,500.00	(185.84)
Repairs & Maintenance	6,175.60	5,680.00	495.60
Contractual Services - Facilities	397.05	670.00	(272.95)
Utilities	7,707.01	10,600.00	(2,892.99)
Membership Expenses	950.00	700.00	250.00
Fundraising Expense	-	-	-
Feast Expenses	6,519.50	5,330.00	1,189.50
Programs & Education Expense	830.97	1,020.00	(189.03)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>72,208.12</b>	<b>75,322.09</b>	<b>(3,113.97)</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>(24,831.87)</b>	<b>(29,427.09)</b>	<b>4,595.22</b>
<b>Other Income (Expense)</b>			
Grants - Nonoperating	-	-	-
Rents	2,450.00	1,200.00	1,250.00
Interest	4,561.87	2,600.00	1,961.87
Investment Income (distribution only)	1,449.00	1,200.00	249.00
Depreciation	(11,910.00)	(11,910.00)	-
<b>Total Other Income (Expense)</b>	<b>(3,449.13)</b>	<b>(6,910.00)</b>	<b>3,460.87</b>
<b>Net Income (Before Depreciation)</b>	<b>(28,281.00)</b>	<b>(36,337.09)</b>	<b>8,056.09</b>

**Executive Director Report**  
**Claire Eagle**  
**March 2024**

**Administration**

- I've been going through the filing cabinets in my office and clearing out old files. Including some very old correspondence and insurance policies, annual meeting file and programming files. I've been working with Kelly to ensure that the files that need to be kept are and that the others will be destroyed.

**Programs**

- The April-June quarterly program brochure should be in member's mailboxes by the end of this week (if they aren't already). We've got a great line up of programs through the summer including our new Taste of the Past dinners with Chef Lauren Reed.
- We do need volunteers for the new dinner series. Volunteers will be helping with set-up and serving. If you haven't already signed up, please do so at this link:  
<https://bit.ly/TCHADinnerVols24>
- Programs are already being scheduled for July-August including a program from Ben Ross, a program from the Executive Director of the Wabash and Erie Canal Park in Delphi and a Show and Tell from David Hovde on Purdue's first graduate. 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter programs will be confirmed at the end of May.
- Kelly and I are working with Angie Klink and others to plan the dedication of the new Evaleen Stein historic marker. The dedication is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday May 23 at 708 Hitt Street.

**Facilities**

- We had our annual fire inspection at the History Center last week. We're working to fix the few violations we had to ensure we are in compliance.
- We've now received two wildly different quotes for the Chimney repair work that is needed at the History Center. The Facilities committee is working out how to move forward.
- My office was painted yesterday thanks to a generous donation from Carolyn O'Connell. With a new floor and freshly painted walls the next step is some new furniture/removal of the old filing cabinets that have recently been emptied.

**Grants and Donations**

- Work has already begun on the 2024 Annual Campaign. Kelly had written a great first draft of the letter and we will be working to finalize and work with the National Group to get it printed and mailed, with a goal of it going out in May.

**Battlefield Museum Report**  
**Trey Gorden**  
**March 2024**

- Visitor numbers were up this month.
- School-group reservations have begun, and so far it looks like we'll have a good program year.
- Adding the Shawnee to the tribes invited for commemoration.
- Price adjustments proceeding apace.

Our visitor numbers are up this month, in spite of the construction still ongoing. By meeting time, I hope to have word about whether the construction will be completed by the promised end of March. From February 21 until March 20, we had 385 visitors, up 177 from last month's 208. It's also up 133 from last year's 252.

I credit this to the fact that we're starting to get school groups, which I hope will be returning to pre-pandemic levels ... we'll see. They're already starting to roll in, which is a good sign.

I've contacted the three groups of Federally recognized Shawnee about joining us and the Miami for Commemoration this year. As of this writing I haven't heard from them, and if I don't get a response to further inquiries, I plan to extend the invitation to the Potawatomie. The plan is to expand the invitation by one or two tribal groups each year.

The fact that we're no longer charging sales tax at the gift shop means that we've been adjusting our prices to round dollar amounts. We've completed the first phase of this effort, which was to adjust the prices of items sold at Feast. We've now moved on to the our other non-book inventory items.

**Membership Report**  
**Kelly Lippie**  
**March 2024**

- Newsletter emailed out this morning (March 11)
- Folder packet created for members of the Development and Membership committee that includes membership brochure and other member/ development materials to hand out.
- New “TCHA supporter” stickers being mailed out to members with their new membership cards as they renew or purchase new.

TCHA Membership numbers as of 3/11/2024

Membership Level	Renewal Period	Total as of Dec. 7	Total as of Feb. 23	Total as of March 11
Individual (\$35)	Annual	58	54	56
Senior Individual (\$30)	Annual	81	81	83
Senior Couple (\$40)	Annual	97	101	102
Family (\$50)	Annual	59	61	65
School/Club (\$100)	Ends July 1st	1	1	1
Patron (\$100)	Annual	68	69	70
Sustaining (\$250)	Annual	17	18	18
Benefactor (\$500)	Annual	4	4	4
Treasure (\$1,000)	Annual	3	3	3
Lifetime	Lifetime	28	28	28
<b>Total Memberships</b>		<b>416</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>430</b>

Total membership as of March 2023: 374.

## **TCHA Collection Department Report**

**Kelly Lippie**

**March 2024**

- Ongoing volunteer projects in collections includes: cataloging and scanning photographs, cataloging clothing and artifacts.
- Scheduling Bicentennial book researchers into look at archives and library materials for the book articles.
- Attending monthly NAGPRA webinar put on by the National Park Service.
- 2 interns from the Purdue Anthropology dept. will work this semester. One is continuing her research from fall semester on icon rings and Native interactions. New student will study bale seals.
- Interviewed 2 new student volunteers/ interns for the summer. One starts now and the other will begin in May.
- Ouataton artifacts loaned for the Grand View Cemetery caretaker's cottage.
- Working with Angie Klink for the Evaleen Stein historic marker unveiling. Also pulled artifacts for her Evaleen Stein program at the History Center on March 21.
- Researched and supplied "This Day in History" and Women's History posts for social media.
- Compiling photographs and artifact images for the Bicentennial Book.
- Working on a survey/ maps exhibit for the temporary exhibit cases at the Battlefield Museum.
- Working with GL Graphix to produce the first in a series of "pop up" exhibits for the Lafayette Bicentennial that (so far) are sponsored by the city of Lafayette.

February Collections Committee:

1 new accessions created, including a TCHA purchase.

No Deaccessions to consider.

**Library Report**  
**Amy Harbor**  
**March 2024**

- Genealogy class has had little interest so far.
- Gave a library tour to an Extension group, resulting in at least one new membership
- Gave a library tour to a Kappa Kappa Kappa group – they gave a donation in appreciation
- Cemetery Tour May 18 has 13 presenters representing 16 people – I would like to have one or two people to hand out brochures and direct visitors – please reach out to me.
- Number of researchers has been steady, with many writing for the 200 book
- Ten volunteers are working on library projects.

**Feast Report**  
**Brooke Sauter**  
**March 2024**

- It may be cold and gloomy out, but things are already well underway for the Feast!
- 2024 Feast participant applications have already gone out, and we are starting to receive back applications and payments. As well, requests for application for food booths were sent out, in preparation for the Food Booth meeting on April 24th at 6 PM at the Battlefield.
- We are still recruiting new food booths, and if you know of any who would be a good fit, please put Brooke in contact with them ([feast@tippecanoehistory.org](mailto:feast@tippecanoehistory.org)).
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- We also had our first (and hopefully only, with the large amount of poles cut) pole cutting session on Saturday, March 23rd. We had a turn out of 11 hard working volunteers who cut well over 120 poles in just three hours. They are super human! These poles will be used to build specific food booths and TCHA-sponsored booths at the Feast.
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- Brooke is also working to receive bids from various vendors, and confirm bids from those selected as our 2024 partners. Brooke is also still working on sponsorships, and is in talks with various potential sponsors within our community. This is another instance in which if you know of any good sponsor prospects, to share these with Brooke.
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- Brooke and Jeff Schwab attended the Kalamazoo Living History Show March 16-17, and represented TCHA and the Feast. We were able to hand out over 200 trifolds, and a handful of applications to perspective participants. It was certainly good PR for the Association and event. Speaking of promotional efforts, Brooke and Claire have continued to work with United State of Indiana to firm up the designs for this year's Feast shirts and other items to be sold at the booths come Feast time. The committee is thrilled with the design, and Brooke and Claire have had positive things to say about USI. Lastly, the Feast is registered to have a booth at the August 31st Mosey Down Mainstreet.



## **Other Committee Reports March 2024**

### **Development & Membership Committee**

#### **Facilities Committee**

Met at Argenbright Library to see the facility

Looked at condition of the exterior and numerous pieces stored behind the building. A bid has been submitted to repaint for 11,200 plus time and material on any wood repair.

The grant projects have been shifted due to Chimney bids for HC not coming in in time for a Spring Grant and now being much higher than expected. Now grants and SIA grants are being reassessed.

Large plaque in the basement of HC has been deemed so far outdated its fate has been sent to the Membership and Development. FAC COM has recommended recycle.

Damage to the Stone exterior of Argenbright by Fowler House dumpster pick up

Claire is requesting a lockable dumpster for HC due to overage charges due to unauthorized dumping.

It was recommended by the committee to get the Emergency Maintenance Fund to 50k and replenish it each year if money is used.

Discussion on reviving the Emergency System at Ft Ouiotenan with Parks and TEMA. Bill Young is leading the research for the committee

Search for new company to do elevator inspections. Current company will do repairs but no inspections.

#### **Historic Markers Committee**

#### **Lafayette Bicentennial Publications Committee**

- We are over 1/2 of the way to our article goal!
- That being said, we are still looking for additional authors
- We are behind in article proofing and editing, but are gaining ground
- We have identified a list of topics that we would still like to have covered

#### **Ouiatenon Preserve Committee**

In attendance on Zoom: H. Kory Cooper (chair), Colby Bartlett, Phyllis Dotson, Leslie Martin Conwell, David Hovde. Del Bartlett would have been in attendance but for Cooper's logistical error. I was accustomed to having meetings at the HC but Leslie is no longer there so we will most likely hold meetings via Zoom due to the work schedule of new members.

We started off with brief introductions for new member Phyllis Dotson. I haven't heard back from Jeremy Spanner the committee's other new member.

We discussed, in turn, the grant application submitted to DHPA for archaeological fieldwork in the summer of 2025, the ongoing issue of resolving ownership of the Kellar collection from Fort Ouiatenon including how we would deal with storing additional material.

We noted that in the coming year we would revisit plans for a future trail and interpretive signs, and developments at the Fix property.

#### **Program Committee**

Members present: Cassie Apuzzo, Leslie Martin Conwell, Claire Eagle, Amy Harbor, Brooke Sauter and Jan Young

Other members: Walt Griffin, Kory Cooper, Quentin Robinson and Whitney Walton

1. Review of Previous Programs
  - . Tuesday, February 12 at 11:30 a.m. – Show and Tell: Fowlers: 30
  - a. Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. – Inside the Blacksmith’s Shop: 23
  - b. Saturday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m. – Fort Ouiatenon Book Signing: 67
  - c. Saturday, March 2 at 10:00 a.m. – Maple Sugaring at the Fort: ~400
2. Plan for Upcoming Programs
  - . Tuesday, March 12 at 11:30 a.m. – Show and Tell: Purdue’s First President
    - i. Claire is presenting so Jeff will be taking care of tech
  - a. Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. – Evaleen Stein
    - i. Claire has done a final confirmation with Angie. Kelly will also be putting some Evaleen Stein items from our collection out on display. Claire or Jeff will take care of tech.
  - b. Wednesday, March 27 at 5:00 p.m. – Tippecanoe County and the 1913 Flood (at WLPL)
    - i. Since this program is at WLPL, Devon is taking care of logistics
  - c. Wednesdays, April 3-May 8 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. – Beginner Genealogy Class (\$25 for members, \$50 for non-members)
    - i. Claire will be acting as site manager for the first one. For the others Amy will be onsite.
3. Taste of the Past with Lauren Reed
  - . Tickets go on sale for members on March 20 and for the general public on March 27. Tickets are \$60 each and there are 42 available for each one.
4. April-June Schedule
  - . The program brochure has been completed and sent to National Group for printing and mailing. Members should have it in their mailbox in the next week or so!
5. July-September schedule planning has begun! Here is what we have scheduled so far:
  - . July
    - i. Tuesday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m. – Lawrence P. Lindelof - President of Painters and Decorators Union (Will Raddell)
    - ii. Saturday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m. – Taste of the Past with Lauren Reed (Indiana Summer)
  - a. August
    - i. Friday, August 9 at 6:00 p.m. – Taste of the Past with Lauren Reed (A Meal from Eras Past)
  - b. Other program ideas/need to be scheduled.
    - i. Archeology Month Celebration
    - ii. Show and Tell: Purdue’s First Graduate (David Hovde)
    - iii. Living history program at the Fort
    - iv. Wabash and Erie Canal Program
    - v. Baseball program
    - vi. History of brewing and taste test with local breweries
    - vii. July 4<sup>th</sup> program

**Committee Member Task List**

- Claire will contact Matt Meyer at the TCPL about a baseball program and Mike Tetrault at the Wabash and Erie Canal Park about a canal program.
- Claire will work with Tom to schedule the next living history program at the Fort.
- Bridget will contact Greg at LBC to see if he is interested in participating in a History of Brewing in Indiana program.
- Brooke will lead the efforts to find someone to present at the Indiana Summer dinner
- Help Needed for Taste of the Past Dinners:

- Please check the sign-up sheet (link included in email) to see if you are available to volunteer with serving or dishwashing at the dinners.
- Decorations/tablescapes plans are still being made. If you are crafty or have things at home you think might work, please contact Claire.

**Publications Committee**

**2024 BOARD OF GOVERNORS TERMS (3 Year Terms)**

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**2024 OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (1 Year Term, not more than 5 consecutive terms)**

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Vice President	Dave Sattler	February 2022	3	January 2027
Secretary	Nick Schenkel	February 2023	2	January 2028
Treasurer	Lorita Bill	February 2021	4	January 2026

## TCHA COMMITTEES – 2024

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Cassie Apuzzo

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Trey Gorden

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