

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, June 23, 2026

HYBRID MEETING – IN PERSON and ZOOM

Members of the Board (total: 22 – quorum: 11)

Nick Schenkel– President	Lorita Bill	Jeff Schwab
Jeremy Spann – Vice	Jeff Burnworth	Bridget Slack
Tara Raber - Secretary	H. Kory Cooper	Chris Stevenson
Natalia Huff – Treasurer	Walt Griffin	John F. Thieme
Rosanne Altstatt	David Hovde	Whitney Walton
Cassandra Apuzzo	Ashima Krishna	Jillian White
Colby Bartlett	Dave Sattler	Todd White
Del Bartlett		

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) – 3:30 P.M. usually the Thursday before a Board meeting

Board of Governors – Fourth Tuesday of the Month at 5:15 P.M.

- *June 23, 2026*
- July 28, 2026
- August 25, 2026
- September 22, 2026
- No October Meeting
- November 17, 2026 (Moved due to Thanksgiving)
- December 15, 2026 (Moved due to Christmas)

AGENDA for TCHA Board Meeting, June 23, 2026

- Call to Order
- Minutes from May 19, 2026, Board meeting
- Officers' Reports and business
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
- Executive Director Report – Claire Eagle
- Battlefield Museum Report – Trey Gorden
- Membership Report – Kelly Lippie
- Collections Report – Kelly Lippie
- Research Library Report – Lucy Lugo
- Feast of the Hunters' Moon Report – Brooke Sauter
- Program Manager Report – Mitchell Critel
- Reports from Committees
- Strategic Planning
- Any Other Business
- **END AGENDA / Adjournment**

President's Report for June 2026

I'm glad our TCHA staff and board are taking our collections on-the-road again this year.

As we look forward to implementing our Strategic Plan which will call on us to determine how to better collect, persevere and display our valued community artifacts, our organization continues its mission to share those historical resources with the community.

Our revitalized History Trailer has already had two outings in our community and has more planned for the months to come.

TCHA took part in our community's honoring of a new historical marker in honor of at the Ninth Street 180th anniversary of Bethel AME Church, at Juneteenth activities at Columbian Park this last weekend and is scheduled to take part in both Latino Fest and Pride Fest and other local historical commemorations later this summer as well, all of them opportunities to share the work of TCHA with our community and to encourage folks to share their personal, family, and community stories with our representatives and collections.

And note our community continues to celebrate our heritage with "TCHA adjacent" events including the recent dedication of Lafayette's "On the Banks of the Wabash" sculpture at the corner of Ninth and Columbia Streets and tonight's dedication of the community's newest historical mural, this one honoring aviatrix Amelia Earhart on the "Wanderlust Coffee building at 835 Main Street.

I hope you'll join me in experiencing both these new and exciting additions to our local history environment!

Nick Schenkel, Board President

SHOUT-OUT to Bridget Slack and her family for their splendid work to revitalize The History Center planting beds along South Street!

[Lafayette unveils new sculpture in Bicentennial Park](#)

[Community celebrates history 'On the Banks of the Wabash' | City State | \[purdueexponent.org\]\(http://purdueexponent.org\)](#)

[Painter to create Amelia Earhart mural in downtown Lafayette | Features | \[purdueexponent.org\]\(http://purdueexponent.org\)](#)

[Historic marker unveiled at Bethel AME Church in Lafayette](#)

Minutes for the May 19 2026 TCHA Board of Governors Meeting

In Person at the History Center and Online via Zoom

Present in Person: Nick S., Jeremy S., Tara R., Natalia H., Del B., Lorita B., Jeff B., Walt G., David H., Jeff S., Chris S., John T., Whitney W.

Staff: Claire E., Kelly L., Mitchell C., Lucy L., Brooke S. (online), Trey G., (online)

In Person at the History Center and Online via Zoom

Board President Nick Schenkel called the May 19th, meeting of the TCHA Board of Governors to order at 5:16 pm at The History Center, Lafayette.

Will add list of Governors present and not present.

Minutes of April meeting needed to be updated to reflect keeping the 5% distribution, and First Merchants to review our trust performance. Jeff S moved to accept minutes Jeff B 2nd All in favor.

President report: Whitney did a very well researched presentation now on the TCHA YouTube channel. List of current programming. See written report.

VP- Nothing to add

Secretary- nothing to add

Treasurer- See report First Merchants Operating money market down due to moving funds to rainy day, emergency

Claire received checks, so next month will be better

Memberships are still down a bit, and wages are still out of wack due to Mitchell starting in April.

Money markets still at 2.75%

Jeremy moved to accept Dave H 2nd. All in favor.

ED Report: We did not get the consulting \$25k to cover a new website Claire and Brooke met with Hustlefish, got the amount down from \$25k to \$20k. New website should be up before Feast. Will be combining the Feast and TCHA Website. The professionals at Hustlefish are building a whole new website for TCHA. They will also train Claire and Brooke to make changes to website. With 3 months of support. We will own website and domain.

We got a call from Cincinnati insurance reopened a claim from 2024. It was a claim closed by an agent who was let go for mishandling claims. They are starting everything from the beginning. Grant wise \$5k Mcallister for school days. Impact was submitted, waiting to hear. Annual campaign hopefully mid-June.

Back and forth with Fowler House about them starting events, because they are starting to use our parking lot again. We need liability insurance from them to cover anything that would happen at their events. Chris offers his legal expertise on any claims and such.

Battlefield museum report: Trey- Numbers holding steady. Bathrooms Open. Shipments for Feast arriving. Lions Club June 6th. Reenactors spend the night. 8 or 9a museum at 10 first tour at 11, 2nd at

noon. Free admission to the museum Lions club pays a flat fee to use the museum. History Trailer and Battlefield tours.

No Historic Markers report

Membership- Newsletter comes out next month. Any contributions send to Kelly

Collections- Working on Trailer exhibit. Deaccession items, Wall hanging, and 4 prints. Have used Schoolhouse auctions in the past.

Motion to de-access the items. Dave H. 2nd. All in favor

DAR Bethal AME marker May 31st Celebration 180 and marker dedication.

Lucy-Research requests have been slow. Keeping busy for the Cemetery tour on Saturday May 30th 2-4. 16 researchers at the Library.

Parking for the tour- visitors to park between home and cemetery.

Feast report- Brooke Oct 24-25. In talks with all vendors. Moving away from Home City Ice, to Arctic Owl in Delphi. Mitchell and Brooke are working on contracts. Advertising is going down due to using different sources of advertising. Comcast, spending in Indy Market this year. Merch is getting finalized.

Mitchell programing- Courthouse tour rave reviews. Next program is the cemetery tour. History on tour trailer launched at Dayton Fish Fry. Just over 300 attended 60 through the trailer. Sold a book and gave out brochures. Adding the West Laf Farmers market as a history tour trailer visit, Volunteers needed for June 6th to help not run up staff hours. Educational programming for educational year 26-27. Reading historical docs and games. Updating the 2 trunks we have to be more professional.

Need volunteers for taste of the past dinners.

Membership- annual campaign next month. If you have any additions to the mailing list, please get them to Kelly by June 1st.

Facilities- Sat through a commercial grade ring system meeting. It does not cover fire protection. Still researching. Over budget, trailer is functioning. Bridget is going to try her hand at killing unwanted plants and adding wanted plants in the planting beds outside The History Center. Church Lease? Not pushing the lease until after we hear about impact grant. Sent the lease 4 months ago.

Ouiatenon Preserve did not meet-

Publications- Met last week. Trying to divvy up sections of the battlefield publication to get it ready and out the door.

Strategic Plan- special thanks to Jeff S and Claire for reviewing. Sending to full board before next meeting. Wanting to get it approved and working by the end of the year.

No new info on Battlefield fund.

Motion to close at 6:03- Del

Tara Raber, TCHA Board Secretary

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Treasurer's Report - June 2026

Natalia Huff

Selected Accounts Report

Tiptecanoe County
Historical
Association
Selected
Accounts

	This Year 5/31/2026	Last Month 4/30/2026	Change from Last Month	Last Year 5/31/2025	Change from Last Year
Operating Bank Accounts					
Petty Cash	550.00	550.00	-	568.48	(18.48)
First Merchants Checking .01%	39,017.25	28,409.44	10,607.81	39,256.48	(239.23)
First Merchants Operating MM 2.75%	260,227.13	209,600.08	50,627.05	266,142.90	(5,915.77)
First Merchants Operating MM 2.75%- Strategic Plan	25,000.00	25,000.00	-	25,000.00	-
Undeposited Funds	1,298.39	827.37	471.02	2,033.08	(734.69)
	326,092.77	264,386.89	61,705.88	333,000.94	(6,908.17)
Current Obligations & Receivables					
Accounts Payable	(43,241.27)	(7,211.93)	(36,029.34)	(6,269.16)	(36,972.11)
Credit Card	(2,377.17)	(4,041.02)	1,663.85	(2,821.18)	444.01
Grant Money Receivable	-	9,974.82	(9,974.82)	-	-
Grant Money Advanced	(24,685.97)	(247.27)	(24,438.70)	(42,813.56)	18,127.59
Bicentennial Book Money	-	-	-	(25,000.00)	25,000.00
	(70,304.41)	(1,525.40)	(68,779.01)	(76,903.90)	6,599.49
Operating Cash Less Current Obligations	255,788.36	262,861.49	(7,073.13)	256,097.04	(308.68)
Other Restricted and Designated Accounts					
Emergency Maintenance MM 2.75%	105,598.25	105,352.19	246.06	78,554.63	27,043.62
Ouiatenon Preserve Account 2.75%	142,892.91	142,783.16	109.75	124,962.35	17,930.56
Feast Rainy Day CD 3.55% Renews Feb 8, 2026	191,483.00	190,916.78	566.22	160,445.65	31,037.35
Total Other Restricted and Designated Accounts	439,974.16	439,052.13	922.03	363,962.63	76,011.53
			<u>(6,151.10)</u>		<u>75,702.85</u>
Investment Accounts	12/31/2025 Addition	3/31/2026 Net Gain (Loss)	Change 2026	Distributions	
TCHA Trust	1,735,500.47	1,687,931.15	(47,569.32)	19,421.05	-
Wetherill Trust	414,566.02	405,139.64	(9,426.38)	4,827.76	-
Lafayette Community Foundation	37,306.15	36,425.75	(880.40)	1,447.00	-
Total Investments	2,187,372.64	2,129,496.54	(57,876.10)	25,695.81	-

*Investments are updated quarterly

TCHA Budget vs. Actuals: 2026

Tippecanoe County Historical Association
Budget vs. Actuals: 2026

For the Five months ending May 31, 2026

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income			
Grant Operating	1,323.35	-	1,323.35
Contributions	62,220.37	51,175.00	11,045.37
Museum Store Sales	11,870.11	10,500.00	1,370.11
Library Revenue	914.10	1,125.00	(210.90)
Membership Dues	11,776.78	13,865.00	(2,088.22)
Programs & Education	27,772.00	26,250.00	1,522.00
Feast Of The Hunters Moon	39,072.00	30,440.00	8,632.00
Total Income	154,948.71	133,355.00	21,593.71
Cost of Goods Sold	5,881.70	4,775.00	1,106.70
Gross Profit	149,067.01	128,580.00	20,487.01
Expenses			
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	113,351.70	135,258.35	(21,906.65)
Administrative Expenses	4,278.15	5,455.00	(1,176.85)
Contract Services Administrative	10,795.16	11,780.00	(984.84)
Equipment & Supplies	892.56	2,135.00	(1,242.44)
Collections, Exhibits & Library	1,768.46	3,120.00	(1,351.54)
Museum Store Expenses	639.06	420.00	219.06
Insurance and Taxes	8,742.37	9,145.00	(402.63)
Repairs & Maintenance	14,056.50	13,330.00	726.50
Contractual Services - Facilities	1,311.61	1,530.00	(218.39)
Utilities	19,352.93	20,684.00	(1,331.07)
Membership Expenses	1,530.96	1,000.00	530.96
Fundraising Expense	-	-	-
Feast Expenses	14,024.57	14,229.00	(204.43)
Programs & Education Expense	2,055.67	2,915.00	(859.33)
Total Expenses	192,799.70	221,001.35	(28,201.65)
Net Operating Income	(43,732.69)	(92,421.35)	48,688.66
Other Income (Expense)			
Grants - Nonoperating	26,710.29	-	26,710.29
Rents	4,650.00	3,500.00	1,150.00
Interest	8,829.59	5,250.00	3,579.59
Investment Income (distribution only)	25,695.81	25,850.00	(154.19)
Depreciation	(33,500.00)	(33,500.00)	-
Total Other Income (Expense)	32,385.69	1,100.00	31,285.69
Net Income (Before Depreciation)	(11,347.00)	(91,321.35)	79,974.35

Executive Director Report

Claire Eagle

June 2026

Administration

- I will be attending the Association of Midwest Museums conference July 26-29, which means I will not attend the July Board meeting. I intend to try to join via zoom, but with the time difference, I am not sure I will be able to due to my volunteer schedule.
- I presented a brief introduction to and history of Tippecanoe County to the Indiana Landmarks Board of Directors during their retreat earlier this month. As a reminder, they also plan to hold their annual conference in Lafayette in 2027.
- The Bicentennial sculpture was finally dedicated on June 9. That marks the official end of all Lafayette bicentennial activities.
- I'll be out of the office July 1-2.
- Work on the website is ramping up.
- I'm working on a nomination for an IHS Award for our bicentennial book. We've gotten a letter of support from both Commissioner Murtaugh and West Lafayette Public Library's Local History Librarian, Devon Roddel. The nomination is due July 1.

Facilities

- ICU has completed their yearly preventative maintenance on our A/C units.
- We've had our yearly boiler inspection from our insurance company.
- Certasite is working on completing the annual fire extinguisher inspections.

Grants, Sponsorships and Donations

- The second phase of the Impact Grant was submitted by May 8th. We have been informed that we will know on Thursday, June 25 whether we have received the grant or not.
- We received \$5,000 from Tippecanoe County for operational support.
- I have submitted our 2027 fund request to the City of Lafayette. I expect to hear back sometime later this year after the budget has been completed.
- The Annual Campaign is still being worked on.
- We did not receive the grant from the Lafayette Life Foundation in support of the new homeschool programming and revamp of traveling trunks. We will still move ahead with the homeschool programming series but will reevaluate the budget and potentially delay the trunks.

Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum and History Store Report June, 2026

- Numbers are holding steady
- Loss of Witness Trees
- Introducing Basil Altstatt

The numbers are still holding steady. Last month we had our board meeting early, so the numbers were incomplete. Updated with the rest of that month, though, last month's attendance came to **923**. This month the count so far is **814**. However, there's still a day left uncounted this month. In addition, we were closed for two unplanned days, thanks to the wrath of a dendropathic God. Based on current figures, the average for this month would be 37 people per day. With that filled in, we would have had **925**, so fair to say that we've held steady. Last year we had **1056** visitors for this period, which was very much an outlier.

The massive rain storm last Friday took a grim toll on our Witness Trees. We lost three. One was between the museum and Prophet's Rock Rd. Another was on the battlefield, one of the big ones on the other side of the monument from the Eagle Gate. The third, it grieves me to report, was Old Hank, the really splendid white oak between the staff lot and the walk-up to the museum. It's hard to know what to say. The museum was closed for two days while crews cleaned up the debris.

In happier news, last week we welcomed Basil Altstatt to our team. Basil, who also serves on TCHA's Historical Markers Committee, is interning for the summer while home from college. Basil, who is the child of TCHA member Rosanne Altstatt, attends Oberlin College and will begin sophomore year in the fall.

Future:

Indiana Fiddlers' Gathering takes place next weekend.

We learned recently that we are about to endure another long, dark tea-time of the soul as the county begins *two* more construction projects that will affect museum traffic. Right now, there is a construction project on the bridge at Davis Ferry that is expected to only take a couple of months. But later this year they intend to begin a new construction project on the same bridge that is expected to take *two years!* Joe Kallok and I have discussed options, and he feels certain that, for the longer project, we can induce the

county to put up signs at their expense that will guide visitors from Lafayette specifically to the Tippecanoe Battlefield. Stand by for periodic updates.

Membership Report - June 2026

Kelly Lippie

- Newsletter Issue 2 will be sent out soon.
- Members Night at the Museum @ Battlefield to be Friday, August 14th, 6-8 pm.

Membership Level	Renewal Period	Total as of April 21	Total as of May 13	Total as of June 18
Individual (\$40)	Annual	56	52	53
Senior Individual (\$35)	Annual	103	104	107
Senior Couple (\$45)	Annual	127	130	131
Family (\$55)	Annual	70	68	67
Patron (\$100)	Annual	63	61	60
Sustaining (\$250)	Annual	16	16	17
Benefactor (\$500)	Annual	5	5	5
Treasure (\$1,000)	Annual	2	2	2
Lifetime	Lifetime	27	27	27
Total Memberships		469	465	469

Total membership May 18, 2025: **454**.

TCHA Collections Dept. Report

May- June 2026

Prepared by Kelly Lippie

- Spoke at Bethel AME Marker dedication ceremony. Had a scanning set-up inside the church ahead of dedication and spoke to visitors.
- Attended dedication of Lafayette's Bicentennial sculpture & helped to sell books and ornaments. Set up bicentennial exhibits at Art Museum for the reception (then took them down).
- Indiana Historical Society (free) exhibit loan now on display at the Battlefield June 18- July 15. "Endangered Heritage".
- Participated in Cemetery tour at Indiana Veterans Home May 30th.
- Visited Elston Church and Stidham Church to view Edna Browning Ruby's stained-glass windows. Helping intern research for historic marker application.
- History on Tour exhibited at the Battlefield June 6th with some Tippecanoe Township/ Battle Ground specific exhibit elements.
- 3 artworks loaned to Art Museum for their upcoming Art Smart exhibit. (loaned through November).
- Met with EPICS program faculty to discuss potential partnership projects in the fall.
- Preparing Juneteenth materials for TCHA's table on June 20th. Researched some new topics to add to the TCHA display.
- Trail of Death Caravan to visit Arganbright on June 20th to view some George Winter watercolors. They do this every other year.
- Working with Lafayette Preservation Commission for new "Then and Now" signs to be placed around downtown, using TCHA photos.
- TCHA will be getting the O'Rear's neon sign. A Facilities task force has been formed to help with the logistics. We are also working with Huston Electric to help with the move and restoration. Details still pending on placement and costs.
- Covered the library while Lucy was on vacation.
- Several image requests for George Winter and other historic images.

Upcoming in 2026

- Working on next update to History on Tour trailer for W.L. Farmers market.
- Exhibits for Taste of the Past dinners starting June 26.
- Altrusa would like to borrow the bicentennial pop-ups for a series of meetings in the fall.

Action Item- Deaccessions:

Collections Committee met on June 3 & recommends these 6 items for Deaccession.

Accession #	Description	Comments/ Reason	Source	Recommended Disposal
76.007	Hat box	Out of Scope: Came with a hat that was added to the collection	Johanna Downie, 1976	Sale
4543	Pair of Austrian “Das Echo” vases. One broken.	Out of Scope	F. Chandler, 1942	Sale
5020	“Round Vase”. Mexican	Out of Scope	Richard Wetherill	Sale
5029	“Red and Blue (jug or bottle” Mexican	Out of Scope	Richard Wetherill	Sale
0195	Small gold lacquer tray from Myanoshita, Japan	Out of Scope	Richard Wetherill	Sale
3644	Small black tray with painting in center (Russian)	Out of Scope	Charles M. Franklin	Sale

Action Item- Deaccessions:

Research Library Board Report June 2026 By Lucy Lugo

Everything is going smoothly at the research library! Compared to last month, we’ve had about the same number of visitors come in to do research, though these last couple of weeks have been a little slow. A handful of people have reached out to ask general questions about our resources and what we offer in terms of research help.

Our library volunteers are doing amazing work as always! Current projects include indexing marriage cards, surname/family cards, Poor Farm records, and the Children’s Home records. A couple of these indexing projects have been and will be completed soon, and they will eventually be up when we have the new website up and running.

Library Stats:

- This past month we had 18 patrons reach out for research assistance. 10 were remote requests (email/phone/mail) and 8 were in person.
 - 3 of the 8 in person patrons were TCHA members.

- Most were genealogy requests, though we had a few asking about land and property records.

Feast of the Hunters' Moon Report - June 2026

Brooke Sauter

The Feast Committee met on June 12 and continues preparations for the 2026 Feast of the Hunters' Moon, scheduled for October 24–25.

Applications and contracts are being processed under the leadership of new Program Manager Mitchell Critel. Our first application deadline is coming up on July 15 for sutlers, craftspeople, program performers, and interpreters.

Planning timelines remain on schedule across programming, operations, and logistics.

The committee celebrated the successful acquisition of funding for 11 new marquees, which are currently being constructed by Spring Valley Lodges.

Food booth ordering is underway, with nearly all 2025 booths returning.

Transportation arrangements are progressing, including continued partnerships with CityBus, Purdue, TEMA, and the Hanna Center.

Promotional efforts continue through print, broadcast, apparel, and merchandise.

Sponsorship development remains strong, with approximately \$40,000 secured to date and the new Friend of the Feast sponsorship level (\$150) now available.

Grounds preparation and volunteer coordination are also underway as the event moves into the summer planning season.

Programs Board Report

June 2026

Mitchell L Critel, Programs Manager

Our June programs and engagement took a slight dip in attendance from May. Various contributing factors can be identified and shouldn't be a surprise for anyone- weather and summer vacations.

The Indiana Veteran's Home Cemetery tour was a beautiful day, but attendance was significantly lower than other cemetery tours. The Battleground Lion's Club Community Day was set up nicely by TCHA but we danced between thunderstorms. Matt Meyer's Lafayette Red Sox program had a lot of interest on the Facebook event but came up short again because of thunderstorms and parking issues with a Long Center event.

I remain hopeful with two remaining June programs and one outreach. June 20th will see Living History at the Fort with the Fete de St Jean le Baptiste doubled up with outreach to the annual Juneteenth event, and finally the next Taste of the Past dinner at the end of the month.

It doesn't seem real, but Quarter 3 programming is right around the corner! Quarter 3 looks to be jam packed! Two Taste of the Past dinners, two new programs- Family Game Night on July 22nd and Camp Tippecanoe 1862- a civil war living history program at the Fort on August 15th, and 4 runs outs with the History on Tour Trailer! We will also have our next Members-Only event on August 14th at the Battlefield. We'd love to see all of our board members at a program in Quarter 3!

Opportunities for Board Engagement:

July 15th 3pm-7pm- West Lafayette Farmer's Market- History on Tour Trailer

July 22nd, 6pm-8pm- Family Game Night

August 14th, 6-8pm- Member's Only Night Out at the Museum

August 19th, 3pm-7pm- West Lafayette Farmer's Market- History on Tour Trailer

Other Committee Reports for JUNE 2026

Development & Membership Committee – no report this month.

Facilities Committee

The O'Rears sign is ours if we want it and can get it down and stored.

Still reviewing Verkada information before a recommendation can be made to the rest of the board. Had a site visit.

A workday is being scheduled for Argenbright.

Facilities is a little over budget but all in repairs and maintenance.

Grants to be covered by the E.D.

Having a water pressure issue in the Argenbright men's bathroom.

Fowler House is doing events again. They are currently using it without a liability agreement.

The Church has not signed the lease yet. Waiting on Lilly Grant to decide.

Weeds in front of HC have been handled. Thank you to The Slack Family

HC trailer is repaired and was used this past weekend.
Battlefield bathrooms are open.

Liability Insurance claim was reopened by Cincinnati for an internal incident.

Historic Markers Committee

Thanks to the hard work of Basil Atlstatt, our Edna Browning Ruby project is nearing completion. Basil met today (Thursday, 6/18) with Ben Cassiday, Senior Pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church, to discuss details of where the monument will go, etc. By the time of our board meeting, we should have Basil's report.

The end of our seemingly endless survey of Tippecanoe County monuments is finally in sight. The committee chair has been the slow-poke, and I'm grateful to my fellow committee members for their patience. We have been looking at options for how best to share this information with the public when we have it all in hand.

The same welder who helped restore the Scott Expedition marker is a descendant of Peter Weaver and has volunteered to get the damaged Peter Weaver monument back on its feet, as well.

Ouiatenon Preserve Committee

Chairperson Kory Coper was out of town for the OP Committee meeting; it was attended by Brooke Sauter and Phyllis Dotson who discussed and reviewed the interpretive panel work..

Publications Committee

The publications committee met on June 10th to review progress on the Battle of Tippecanoe Booklet.

The next committee meeting will be July 8th. All committee members are asked to have drafts of their revisions by that time. We have been asked to complete our work by September. The introduction will be worked on after the July meeting and will include notes on spelling and pronunciation related to the battle time period. Cassie is going to work with Kelly on maps and images for the revised booklet. Proofreaders are being recruited and a final edit of the text for consistency will take place after the various sections are submitted.

2026 BOARD OF GOVERNORS TERMS (3 Year Terms)

Name	Term Ends (Annual Mtg. Jan/Feb)
Rosanne Alstsatt	December 2026 (January 2027)
Cassandra Apuzzo	December 2026 (January 2027)
Colby Bartlett	December 2026 (January 2027)
Del Bartlett	December 2027 (January 2028)
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Nick Schenkel	December 2027 (January 2028)
Jeff Schwab	December 2027 (January 2028)
Bridget Slack	December 2026 (January 2027)
Jeremy Spann	December 2026 (January 2027)
Christ Stevenson	December 2028 (January 2029)
John Thieme	December 2028 (January 2029)
Whitney Walton	December 2026 (January 2027)
Jillian White	December 2027 (January 2028)
Todd White	December 2027 (January 2028)

2026 OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (1 Year Term, not more than 5 consecutive terms)

Position	Name	First Term Began	Term Number in 2026	Re-election eligibility ends
President	Nick Schenkel	February 2026	1	January 2031
Vice President	Jeremy Spann	February 2025	2	January 2030
Secretary	Tara Raber	February 2026	1	January 2031
Treasurer	Natalia Huff	February 2026	1	January 2031

TCHA COMMITTEES – 2025-2026

* indicates Chair or Co-Chair

Standing Committees

Executive Committee

Board President *	Board Secretary	Board Treasurer
Board Vice President	Chair of the Budget, Finance, and Risk Management Committee	

Collections Committee

Kelly Lippie *	Nick Schenkel	Carolyn O'Connell
Cassie Apuzzo	Other Members:	Amy Harbor
Trey Gorden	LA Clugh	Mary Springer
Lucy Lugo	Rick Conwell	

Facilities Committee (formerly the Buildings & Grounds Committee)

Jeff Burnworth *	Ashima Krishna	Pete Bill
Walt Griffin	Kelly Lippie	Chris Hitze
Colby Bartlett	Jeremy Spann	Bill Young
Lorita Bill	Other Members:	

Finance, Budget, and Risk Management Committee

Lorita Bill*	Tara Raber	Jeff Schwab
Claire Eagle	John Thieme	Todd White
Walt Griffin	Nick Schenkel	

Nominating Committee

Jeremy Spann -*	Dave Sattler	Bridget Slack
Kory Cooper	Nick Schenkel	Jillian White
Claire Eagle	Jeff Schwab	

Other Committees

Development & Membership Committee

Kelly Lippie *	Jeremy Spann	Other Members:
Jeff Burnworth	Jillian White	Brooke Sauter
Tara Raber	Todd White	Ronda Walsh Schwab
Dave Sattler		

Feast Committee

Brooke Sauter *
Jeff Schwab *
Aerica Beaver
Jeff Burnworth
Kelly Lippie
Jeremy Spann
Other Members:
Mac Bellner
Molly Bellner
Pete Bill
Mike Elliott

Mary Fisher
Sam Haughey
Brian Hawn
Erin Hicks
Jeff Hockstra
Mackenzie Kassner
Erika Kvam
Robert Leavitt
Randy Lower
Janine Lowery
Melissa O'Farrell

Lauren Reed
Matt Riebsomer
Jackie Schmidt
Sheri Sondgerath
Scott Stambaugh
Andy Wall
Joyce Wiegand
Logan York
Bill Young
Jan Young

Historic Markers Committee

Trey Gorden *
Rosanne Altstatt
Del Bartlett
Bridget Slack

Other Members:
Sharon Baker
Pam Barnard

Jonathan Lipps
Duane Mantick
Linda Swihart

Ouiatenon Preserve Committee

Kory Cooper *
Del Bartlett
David Hovde

Ashima Krishna
Other Members:
Leslie Martin Conwell

Phyllis Dotson
Colby Bartlett (non-voting)

Program Advisory Committee

Claire Eagle *
Cassie Apuzzo
Walt Griffin

David Hovde
Lucy Lugo
Bridget Slack

Whitney Walton
Other Members:
Amy Harbor

Publications Committee

David Hovde *
Jeff Schwab *

Cassie Apuzzo

Rosanne Altstatt
Whitney Walton
Trey Gorden

Other Members:
Pete Bill

* - The Board President is an ex-officio member of all committees