## MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE MUSEUM 101 MONROE STREET MANSFIELD, LOUISIANA 7L052 TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013 2:00PM 318-871-9978

Members Present: Ellen Abington, Beverly Bedsole, Beverly Bruce, John Freeman, Raymond

**Powell and Sandy Spaulding** 

Members Excused: Riemer Calhoun, Britney Green, Carolyn Huckabay . Judson Rives and

Dr. Alan Thompson

Guest:

Mr. Wayne Waddell – Director of the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum

Staff:

**Barbara Valentine - Director** 

On Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 2:00pm a special called meeting of the State Governing Board of the Mansfield Female College Museum was held at the museum in Mansfield, Louisiana.

Mr. Powell, President, called the meeting to order and led in prayer. Mr. John Freeman led the Pledge. Mr. Powell introduced our special guest, Mr. Wayne Waddell, Director of the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum in Shreveport, Louisiana. Secretary of State, Mr. Tom Schedler had asked Mr. Waddell to come and present to the board the plans that Mr. Wayne Coco, Architect, had drawn up for the renovation of the MFCM. Mr. Powell expressed the boards' appreciation to Mr. Waddell for all his help concerning this project.

Mr. Waddell presented the two plans to the board with the one being most cost effective for the museum is the plan with the posts and not the archway. He also stated that at a later date the archway could be added. The garage would be torn down in both plans and the concrete pulled away from the building to keep the water from further damaging the building – thus leaving ample space for a storage facility to be built at a later date on the concrete base. The plan with the post also allows for a covered walkway from the handicapped parking to the handicapped ramp to the back entrance of the museum.

After much discussion a motion was made by Beverly Bedsole, seconded by Sandy Spaulding to accept the plan with the posts. Motion approved unanimously. A letter will be written to Mr. Tom Schedler, Secretary of State, letting him know about the boards 'decision to approve the plan with the posts.

Mrs. Spaulding made a motion to submit Jeannie Rogers from Grand Cane to fill the vacancy on the State Governing Board with Beverly Bedsole seconded the motion. All approved. A letter will be written to the Secretary of State, Tom Schedler, submitting her name to fill the vacancy.

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Mr. Powell stated that Mrs. Rowena Anderson and Mr. Nathaniel Means would be working together to get the books donated to the Veach-Foshee Library on the computer and in the book cases for the DeSoto Parish Historical Society.

Ms. Spaulding present to the board a proposal to consider writing a letter submitting the Friends of the Mansfield Female College Museum for the 2013 Louisiana Cultural Award for their efforts in restoring an eyesore that was Epworth Hall to become an elegant, up-to-date venue for public and private events.

There being no further comments or discussion the motion was made to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Valentine, Director
Mansfield Female College Museum