GERMANTOWN COLONY MUSEUM

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING – February 6, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President John Agan. Others present were: Jean Doerge, George Rolfe, Otto Krouse, Susie Lester, Larry Milford, and Mary Durusau.

Minutes of November 7, 2013 meeting were approved with motion by Otto Krouse and second by Jean Doerge.

Mary Durusau believes that it will be at least March before building is finished. There was discussion on the roof that has very little overhang. Mary said that gutters could be added and possibly a projecting roof over entrance. Larry Milford created a small replica of building entrance with gutters and some added décor with a German touch. Mary said that would have to be after Building was finished.

Larry Milford had made a drawing of the Count’s seal that he plans to use in the museum.

Jean Doerge reported the old lumber that was salvaged from previous entry building is drying so nails can be removed.

Jean did a lot of selling of Ornaments and Cookbooks at Christmas. Ornaments did not sell as well as cookbooks.

We are trying to decide where to put chain link gate for entry to grounds. We want to close the gate on Krouse’s private road.

Jean has contacted the Carpentry teacher at Minden High to see if he could make a building (an outhouse) that would be for storage at the Museum. Mr. Brow, the teacher, is willing to make an 8’ X 12’ building on skids so it could be moved by truck to Colony when finished. Jean contacted Mr. Lamar Smith and he agreed to furnish and deliver to school enough lumber for the building. There is a tree on fence row that needs to be removed. Police Jury will get that done.

Susie keeps in contact with Master Gardeners on the progress of the building. They have agreed to furnish plants and to landscape by the Visitor Center on the inside of the grounds. We now have some area on the outside to plant. When building is complete and while Milford is doing his magic on the inside of Museum, hopefully the Master Gardeners can do the landscaping. The Master Gardeners not only have been very good to help with cleaning and planting flower beds, they also have a website with a nice article about our Museum.

Next meeting date is May 1.