The Heritage Network

Board of Directors

September 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Joe, at the learning center at the Colville Museum.
Present: Jayne Jurgensen, Sue Richart, Joe Barreca, Rose Kalamarides and Janet Thomas, with excuse for Rette Bidstrup because of her service at DNR to help in the firefighting efforts.
Next meeting: The meeting will be held in Colville.
Financial Report: Sue presented the report and is considering moving out of Quickbooks and the Windows operating system.
Negotiations are ongoing to digitize the Chewelah Independent estimated cost of $5600. Money was approved to pay for Updraft software to backup our website.
Minutes of the August meeting: Review was delayed until next meeting.
Indian Agency: Janet wrote a request for $21,00 to cover steps, doors signage and other costs. They hope to open as a museum in the Spring. They want articles to show what the agency provided (blankets, food etc.) The interior is expected to change over time. Lots of people are stopping to read the sign now that it is up.
Research: Sue is working on the 1915 and 1932 school census records. She has 1800 more files to do. She is working on a list of roads and preparing to do a GIS presentation. She is using county road books scanned by Richard and land patent maps but discounts those submitted by the Benson Syndicate.
Northport: The basement of the Gallo House needs to be insulated with spray foam. They have skilled workers. They will be applying paint primer this weekend. They are looking for a T-Mobile grant of $50,000 to improve main street. Foors are being finished. A volunteer appreciation party is planned.
Ferry County: The FCHS had a booth at the county fair. Several museums will be closed on Labor Day. Money is coming in for a lot to place a log cabin next to the Slagle Building, $40,000. Other moneys are coming from Washington Arts and Paul Allen. A rural development grant may help the Slagle house repairs.
SCHS: Bruce, Richard and Don fixed the leak on the back wall of the SCHS museum. Boy Scouts are working on the lookout tower. The reveal of the mural by Jamie Rose Lord was a big success.
Bicentennial: News stories are coming in the Statesman, Independent and Republic papers. A motion was passed to pay for the meal at the Mistequa up front and solicit donations so no one would be forced to skip the event due to cost. It was suggested that Mathew Callaghan at the Spokesman Review would be a good contact for an article.