Red Wing Collectors Society Board of Directors Meeting Saturday November 8, 2008 – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Sunday November 9, 2008 – 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon Holiday Inn Dubuque/Galena 450 Main Street Dubuque, IA 52001

Attending: Sue Jones-Tagliapietra, President; Jolene McKoon, Vice President; Paulette Floyd, Secretary; Mark Collins, Treasurer; Todd Avery, Auction Manager; Glenn Beall, Education Manager; Bob Morawski, Commemorative Manager; Jerry Erdmann, Representative at Large; Russa Robinson, Representative at Large; Stacy Wegner Executive Director. Absent: Steve Brown, Historian. Guests were Nick Marson, Bonnie Myers, Rick Natynski, Bruce Cameron, Laura Beall & Mike Robinson.

Call to Order at 8:04 AM.

The Board welcomed the three new board members, Glenn Beall, Bob Morawski & Todd Avery.

Motion by Jerry Erdmann seconded by Russa Robinson to deviate from the agenda and accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Paulette Floyd seconded by Glenn Beall to accept the minutes of the July 9, 2008 Full Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Collins discussed the financials for October 2008.

Motion by Mark Collins, seconded by Jolene McKoon to accept the statement of October financials. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report - Stacy Wegner went over her report and gave an update.

Discussion on the extension of Barney Olson's contract with the RWCS to sell the neck wallets for 2009 RWCS events.

Motion by Jerry Erdmann seconded by Paulette Floyd to approve the extensions of the contract for Barney Olson to sell the neck wallets for 2009 RWCS events. Motion carried.

The preregistration forms for Convention will be in the Newsletter and not mailed out separately. The Auction forms will no longer be mailed to all members. The forms will be available on line and from the Executive Director. An article will be posted in the Newsletter regarding all forms.

The Red Wing Chamber of Commerce is no longer handling the Friday evening annual picnic. The City of Red Wing is developing a new event downtown. Stacy has a convention committee and is working with the city to incorporate the RWCS.

Discussion on the Annual Business Meeting and Saturday night banquet.

Discussion on Newsletter and Marketing.

Laura Beall worked with Stacy getting the RWCS on to Wikipedia (the free encyclopedia) on the internet.

Stacy has asked the Board to push the Membership Brochures to Antique Shops, Auctions and any other source to get more membership.

Auction Managers Report - Todd gave a brief overview of his thoughts for the RWCS Auction. He is looking for volunteers.

Commemorative Managers Report -Bob discussed the commemorative for 2009.

Bob is very excited about his new way of doing Comme moratives for 2009. There is going to be one comme morative but three versions of the comme morative plus the Special. At convention, members will pick up their comme morative at random. If they piece they choose is not acceptable (defective in some way) they will take to another area to exchange for the same version they are happy with. If they receive by mail, and there is damage, they will receive a replacement of the same version. Each version will not have the same number of pieces produced. In the event that a piece runs out a substitute of the other versions will be made.

2010 auction will sell 4 sets of 3. Each will be different versions.

2009 Commemorative will still be sold at the Auction.

Bob is working with Kids View on doing a different version of the commemorative and making only 15. The 15 will be sold as a fund raiser for Kids View.

<u>Education Report</u> Glenn went over the speakers for MidWinter. The Keynote Speaker is going to be Bob Kouba the insurance agent for the Society on "How to insure your pottery".

Representatives at Large – Jerry Erdmann & Russa Robinson

Russa discussed the hotel pricing in Red Wing. More information will be posted in the February Newsletter.

Chapter Presidents Update -

Bruce Cameron, President of the Golden State Chapter gave an update. Everything is going well.

Glenn Beall, President of the Siouxland Redwingers said their chapter is doing great.

<u>General Orders/Unfinished Business</u> –Jolene gave an update on the Nominating Committee. Jolene is looking for members to run for the Executive Committee positions.

New Business

Motion by Glenn Beall seconded by Bob Morawski to approve the making of 10 Past Board Members Jugs produced by Mike Robinson at a total cost of \$200. Motion carried.

Jolene discussed the Newsletter Contract.

Rick Natynski, Newsletter Editor handed out a proposal for possible consideration for an extended Newsletter Contract.

Motion by Jerry Erdmann seconded by Russa Robinson to accept a four-year contract proposal from Rick Natynski to extend the Newsletter contract from 2010 to 2014 excluding the bonus savings of \$2000. Motion carried.

Discussion on eliminating the Fall Board meeting and going to some sort of conference call or web meeting. The only meetings will be in February at MidWinter and in July at Convention.

Motion by Paulette Floyd seconded by Bob Morawski to approve the RWCS Board Operations 2009 Annual Calendar. Motion carried.

Discussion on Shortening Board Terms.

A tour was taken of the Holiday Inn, Dubuque with discussion following. A vote will be taken by the Full Board to discuss the 2010 MidWinter location.

Discussion on 2008 Year End Budget Review.

Review of 2009 RWCS Operating Budget.

Motion by Mark Collins seconded by Glenn Beall to split the balance of our interest income as of December 31, 2008 evenly between the RWCS Foundation and the Goodhue Historical Society. Motion carried. Nay by Russa Robinson.

Motion by Mark Collins seconded by Jolene McKoon to approve the proposed 2009 RWCS Operating Budget. Motion carried.

Motion by Jerry Erdmann seconded by Glenn Beall to approve a contract with the Holiday Inn Des Moines thru 2011 for MidWinter. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Respectively submitted.

Paulette Floyd, RWCS Secretary