

Popham 400th

Minutes

March 15, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Bill Murray, *Co Chair*

Bill Perkins, *Co Chair*

Connie Shiebler, *Programs*

Jean Scott, *Fundraising*

Caroline Hutchinson, *Popham Circle*

Steve Norris, *Website*

Susan McChesney, *Maine's First Ship*

Bill Murray and Bill Perkins presented a summary of the meetings chaired by Senator Paula Benoit discussing the developments of the Popham 400th celebration. Various organizations including, Maine's First Ship, Friends of Maine State Museum, Phippsburg Historical Preservation, Friends of Phippsburg, Maine Maritime Museum, and the Nature Conservancy were encouraged to maintain continued collaboration and communication concerning the various activities and events of the Popham 400th to provide a successful event for all.

Connie reported that a second group of re-enactors has expressed interest in participating at the celebration. She will contact them for more details concerning their fee, timetable, how they would like to be involved.

Connie has not had a response from the "Band of Liberty" even though she submitted an application from their website and followed up with a phone message.

Susan McChesney has submitted a budget from Maine's First Ship to Mike Hamer. Our budgets may have some overlap that needs to be updated.

The Public Safety committee met March 14.th Chief Skorsky led the meeting which included twenty-one representatives from various organizations (including a rep from Homeland Security Immigration from Rhode Island.) All members unanimously agreed that advance planning is vital for a successful celebration. The next meeting will be scheduled sometime in mid May. A DVD of the March 14th meeting is available upon request.

The next meeting of the Popham 400th Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 29, 2007, 7:00 PM, at the Popham Chapel House.

