

Summary of High Banks Hall of Fame Museum Minutes of May 19, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. at the museum by president, Jeff Frint. Members present were: Jeff Frint, President; Tom Hiatt, Vice President; Barry Bottger, Co-Treasurer; Karen Oerter, Secretary, Don Holbrook, Harry Ivers, Sally Splichal, and Manning Allsman.

The minutes were read by Karen Oerter and the Treasurer's report was given by Barry Bottger.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Republic County Community Foundation: Karol McChesney attended on April 29th at the old Krazy Kracken building. Approximately \$285 was donated on behalf of the museum.

Membership Drive: Membership materials were mailed on May 15th.

USA 250th Celebration at Munden: The museum will be represented in the parade with a race car. We will have the simulator car ready for kids on Marc McChesney's lot along with Henry Golden Boy .22 rifle and Pit Bike raffle tickets being available.

The Belleville City Rec bus kids will tour the museum on Wednesday, June 17 at 9:30 a.m.

June 26-27 races: The race program committee will have programs printed by The Belleville Telescope by race date.

Induction Ceremony/Meal: Saturday, August 1, 2026 – 11:00 a.m. for the meal followed by the ceremony at 12:00 noon. Altius Awards is making the plaques and AppleOne Media is printing the booklets.

HBHoF Consignment Sale: Sunday, September 27, 2026 – We will hire a food truck vendor.

Raffles/Races to attend: Possible dates to attend & sell raffle tickets are: May 29th – Beloit; July 8th – Beloit (Chad McDaniel Memorial Race)

Retiring: Karol McChesney will be retiring from Co-Treasurer position by November 16th Annual Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Grit Facebook interview: We will be having this interview, etc. for the annual fee of \$300.

Die-cast donation: Bret Chrisinger donated 16 unopened boxes of die-cast for us to sell in the gift shop.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 15th – HBHoF meeting

June 20th – Munden Celebration/Parade/Booths/etc.

June 26th -27th - Races: Belleville ASCS 260 Sprints

HBHoF Minutes Summary of April 20, 2026

Membership Committee (Tom Hiatt, Ryan Boyer, Karol McChesney) and volunteers met at 6:30 p.m. to prepare the 2026-27 membership materials.

Jeff Frint called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Members present: Jeff Frint, President; Tom Hiatt, Vice President; Ryan Boyer, 2nd Vice President, Karol McChesney, Co-Treasurer; Sally Splichal, Harry Ivers, Karen Oerter, and Don Holbrook.

Ryan Boyer/Sally Splichal moved/2nd to appoint Karen Oerter as Secretary. Motion carried.

The minutes of March 16, 2026 were read by Karen Oerter and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Karol McChesney.

Marty Boyer services, April 4, 2026: The funeral lunch was held at the race museum and memorials were designated to the HBHoF in honor of Marty. Ryan Boyer is working on getting a Winners Circle bench for Marty.

Race program update: Ryan Boyer will contact The Belleville Telescope regarding printing of programs and price. Don Holbrook reported funding for advertisements has been received by April 19, 2026.

Gift Shop: Nance tee shirts and caps have been ordered through Byron Nance.

Induction Saturday, August 1, 2026: Doors open at 10:00 a.m. at the Republic County Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria. Meal is at 11:00 a.m. and induction ceremony follows at 12:00 noon. The booklet has been proofread for once; several more proof readings to be done.

Lawnmower upkeep: Gardner Repair tuned up the mower. Jeff Frint and other members will mow the lawn as needed.

Consignment Auction Sunday, September 27, 2026: Terry Jelinek will be one of the clerks helping Novak Bros. & Gieber at the auction. We still need one more clerk. Also we will contact a food truck to be available since we are not having the pancake feed. Advertising includes contacting KR-92 Radio, Facebook, and word of mouth.

Rep. County Community Fund: Fund the Future of RP County for Non-Profits will be held on April 29th, and Karol McChesney will have our booth.

Summer hours for museum begin May 1 – September 30, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, & Sunday; 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Highway sign on north 81 that is damaged due to Kansas winds needs to be removed or replaced by February 18, 2027. AppleOne has been contacted to remove it once the winds have died down.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

March 16, 2026 HBHoF Minutes

Jeff Frint, president, called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. Nine members were present.

The February 16, 2026 minutes were read and approved. Karol McChesney presented the treasurer's report.

The funeral service for long-time race supporter, Marty Boyer, will be April 4, 2026 at Tibbetts Bros. Funeral Home. Following the service & burial, family & friends will gather at the race museum for a lunch.

Don Holbrook reported the race program committee is gathering advertisements and photos for the 2026 program. The Belleville Telescope will be contracted to print the programs.

The membership drive will be held at the April 20, 2026 meeting with members folding and stuffing envelopes. The materials will be mailed around May 15th.

Nance merchandise will be ordered and sold in the gift shop. Tee shirts will be both black and red; Nance caps will be in black.

Induction will be on Saturday, August 1, 2026, at the Belleville Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria. The meal is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. with the induction ceremony to follow at noon. The Acreage Steakhouse, Hubbell, NE, is catering the meal.

Gardner Repair will get the lawnmower and do the annual tune-up. In the past, the curator, Don McChesney, did the mowing during his working hours. We need members to step up and do the mowing.

Deb Filipi and Cody Filipi did major clean-up around the Winners Circle this year. The ruts in the lawn from when Hood's put in the AC/furnace units in November need to be filled in with dirt.

Several Winners Circle benches are being prepared by Los Primos/Johnson Monument. No word on installation date.

The HBHoF consignment auction will be Sunday, September 27, 2026 at the 4H building. We need lots of help several days before the auction, during the auction, and afterwards to help buyers load heavy items as well as general cleanup. We are still looking for a truck food vendor for Sunday's food service.

Karol McChesney attended the meeting of Fund the Future of Republic County for Non-profits on February 29. She will also attend the in-person event on April 29, 2026 from noon until 6 p.m.

Karen Oerter has volunteered to take over the secretary's duties as of March 16th.

Manning Allsman agreed to open the museum on Thursdays. Summer hours begin May 1 through September 30: Tuesdays and Fridays: 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, & Sundays open 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

KDOT letter of 3-13-26 stated we need to repair the smaller broken HBHoF sign on HWY 81 north of Belleville or remove it by February 27, 2027. AppleOne has been contacted to remove the broken part using their bucket truck.

Manning Allsman will update the simulator car game next time he opens the museum.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

HBHoF Minutes Summary of February 16, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Jeff Frint, president.

Members present: President - Jeff Frint, V. Pres. - Tom Hiatt, 2nd V. Pres. - Ryan Boyer, Co-Treasurer - Karol McChesney, Don Holbrook, Harry Ivers, Manning Allsman, Sally Splichal

The minutes of January 19, 2026 & treasurer's report were read by Karol McChesney.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Gift shop: The gift shop committee will meet & discuss Nance items for the gift shop. Karol M will donate Don McChesney's brand new driving suit for sale in the gift shop.

BCRA display and plaques: Don H noted that the BCRA display is complete, thanks to Jeff F and Ryan B for helping him, and thanks to Ryan B for creating the BCRA inductee poster.

HBHoF inductee exhibit: Don H has finished the lettering above the HBHoF inductee panels.

Race programs 2026: The first race is June 26; members will help Ryan B put the programs together.

Induction- Saturday, August 1, 2026, at Belleville High School cafeteria. Meal is at 11:00 a.m. Ceremony to follow.

Consignment auction Sunday, September 27, 2026: Jeff F will contact KR92 radio's "party line" & announce the new date of sale. Ryan B will post the date on Facebook. Karol M has contacted Les Novak, auctioneer, regarding the new date. The date was moved from April to September to avoid other spring auctions.

Bobby Albert print to honor Don McChesney is currently hanging in the outer office. Frank Palmietto, New York, made the donation.

Vic Felt memorabilia: We are waiting to receive appraisal papers.

Concordia gun show January 25, 2026: Jeff F worked the booth on Sunday. The weekend was sparsely attended due to snowy & icy conditions.

KAR banquet Feb. 28 at The Garage Automotive Museum, Salina, KS: Tom & Cheryl Hiatt & Karol M will attend.

Secretary's position: Justin Sly resigned his position and committee assignments effective immediately due to his distant job assignments with KDOT in the coming months.

Co-Treasurer: Karol M noted she would like to start training someone especially during the following activities: membership drive, induction & fair week, and consignment sale.

Safety markers at parking blocks: Tom H installed safety markers at each block.

NEW BUSINESS:

Curator's position: Don H/Tom H moved/2nd to make Jeff Frint our full-time curator. Motion carried.

Roesch #01 supermodified: Jeff F reported the sale of the Roesch car fell through, but it is still for sale.

Snow removal: It was noted that HBHoF and B & C Drugs share costs in snow removal of the parking lot each winter. Reminder: use only a plastic tipped snow shovel if scooping the Winners Circle, according to Luster Stone Pebble Paving's directions.

Website www.hbhof.com : The website will be updated with monthly HBHoF minutes. We will no longer send out e-mails to our 250+ friends as our new e-mail system is less conducive to group mailings.

Basketball sub-state programs advertisement for HBHoF: Members voted to not renew this for 2026.

New worker on Thursdays at HBHoF: Manning Allsman agreed to work on Thursdays.

Chamber of Commerce coffee: HBHoF will host coffee at HBHoF on Thursday, December 24, 2026.

OTHER:

Marty Boyer: Marty passed away on Saturday, Feb. 14, 2026. His funeral will be Saturday, April 4, 2026. The funeral dinner will be held at the HBHoF museum.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m. Minutes submitted by Karol McChesney.