

Benton County Genealogy Society  
P.O. Box 1646  
Philomath, OR 97370  
Wednesday April 5, 2017  
The Philomath Library 12:30 to 2:00pm

## Board Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** George called the meeting to order at 12:30pm. Those attending: George, Ron, Kathryn, Sue, Linda, Connie, and Lois.
2. **Minutes:** Copies of the March 8, 2017, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
3. **President**
  - a. The next Board Meeting will be May 10, 2017, and General Meeting will be May 13, 2017.
  - b. Additional information for the General Meeting:
    - \*Ask for volunteers to write program reviews.
    - \*Announce Dawn Carlile's digitized newspaper handout is posted on our website for one year.
  - c. George will bring his wireless portable PA system for Ron's program.
  - d. George will explore setting up PayPal accounts on our website.
  - e. George will explore a clip-on or head set microphone compatible with his wireless PA system.
4. **Past President - Ron**
5. **Vice President - Kathryn Moss**

Kathryn and Sue are working on materials for a new member packet including mentoring information for new members who are beginners in genealogy.
6. **Programs - Linda Olsen and Maridee Symons**

April: Ron DeYoung will demonstrate how to effectively search Family Search Wiki  
May: Hannah Allan's program titled "Incorporating History into Genealogy."  
June: Pot Luck  
Summer Break ----- BCGS Library will be open through the summer  
September: Show n Tell  
October: Don Anderson's program titled "From Native American to Scottish: The Journey to find my first parents". It all started in Corvallis!  
November: TBA  
December: Holiday auction
7. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Membership: Connie reported that we have 56 memberships which include 49 paid memberships plus life and complimentary memberships. Discussion involved how to list Lifetime members who have not made any contact for a long time.
  - b. Treasurer/Finance Committee: Lois reported our current balance is \$5,704. 94.
  - c. Publications: Web, Newsletter
    - \*Published Book Sales:  
Sue proposed selling our published books as digital copies. Customers would pay by check or money order. Discussion followed and another choice might be using PayPal accounts.
    - \* Webmaster: George –  
The website is up to date. [www.bcgs-oregon.org](http://www.bcgs-oregon.org)
    - \*Newsletter

Send newsletter submissions to Ron DeYoung for publication

\*BCGS Facebook page. See the updated program information Sue has posted.  
<https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>

e. Library Committee: Sue

\*Sue asked for an increase in the library budget to \$350 per year.

\*Sue wishes to step down as librarian in December. She handed out a detailed list of duties for the librarian.

## 8. Unfinished Business

\*Linda reviewed the "All Around Benton County" series to be published in the newsletter.

1. Monroe and Alsea Libraries responded and will post our information and request for informative or historical articles about their area.

2. Jay Sexton from Marys River Grange has promised to write an article

3. An interview of a Navy officer stationed at Camp Adair, William Corcoran, was published this month.

4. Faye Abraham has offered more Camp Adair/Adair Village interviews she conducted several years ago.

\*The Officer and Committee Responsibilities update is finished and Linda e-mailed a digital copy to each Board member.

## 9. New Business

\*Lois has asked for someone else to take over writing the program reviews. Less elaborate reviews are certainly acceptable. Volunteers may be found at the General Meeting to write a program review.

\*Lois made two proposals regarding the cost of receiving the newsletter by U.S Mail. a) Increasing the cost of receiving our U.S. Mailed newsletters to \$15 and b) Lifetime members wishing to receive the newsletter by U.S. Mail will also need to pay the subscription fee of \$15. Further discussion about the amount of increase will continue in June.

## 10. Other

\*Lois suggested adding a contact phone number to talk to people requesting research for clarification of what they want. George will add a contact phone number to the Research Request form.

\*Connie will update the society brochures.

## 11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Olsen, Secretary