

Benton County Genealogy Society
P.O. Box 1646
Philomath, OR 97370
Wednesday December 6, 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, Kathryn, Sue, Linda, Connie, and Lois.
2. **Minutes:** Copies of the November 11, 2017, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
3. **President**
 - a. The next Board Meeting will be January 10, 2018, next General Meeting will be January 13, 2018
 - b. George will be gone for the December 2017 General Meeting and Kathryn will officiate.
 - c. Sue will set up the PA system for the December General meeting and Holiday Auction program.
 - d. Connie scheduled the Philomath Library conference room for another six months.
 - e. Ballots will be available for members to vote for 2018 society officers. Ballots will be counted at the General meeting and results announced.
 - f. Linda will confirm the Saturday May 12, 2018, program time for Keith Pyeatt. Linda will hand out copies of Keith Pyeatt's list of possible topics at the General Meeting for members to peruse and choose a topic for the May program.
 - g. A volunteer is needed to create our monthly newsletter. (George will continue to e-mail the newsletters to members.)
 - h. George will look into setting up a Pay Pal button on our web site for payment of memberships.

4. **Past President** - Ron

5. **Vice President** - Kathryn Moss

Kathryn and Sue V. are working on a mentoring packet.

6. **Programs** - Linda Olsen and Maridee Symons

2018

January: Erlinda Gonzales-Berry will speak about "The History of Mexicans in Oregon" and her connection to the first Spanish/Mexican colonizers to settle north of the Rio Grande in 1598.

February: Gail Downs is scheduled for a presentation on "**The Black Suitcase Mystery**" February 10, 2018.

March: Jan Meranda will present a program about the "**Letitia Carson Story**" with updates March 10, 2018.

April: Ron D. is tentatively scheduled to speak about his 10,000 mile research journey.

May: Keith Pyeatt

June: Annual June potuck and a BCGS book sale is tentatively scheduled.

7. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Membership:** Connie reported that we have 26 renewal memberships already. Connie will have membership forms to hand out at the General Meeting on Saturday. She will also tally up the ballots for election of 2018 officers
- b. **Treasurer/Finance Committee:** Lois reported our income and expenses. Our current balance is \$5, 636.03
- c. **Publications:** Web, Newsletter

*Published Book Sales: No new book sales as of December 6, 2017.

* Webmaster: George – Updates --

www.bcgs-oregon.org

George is working with Family Search to digitize our BCGS published materials

*Newsletter

Send newsletter submissions to George for publication until a new newsletter editor can be found.

*BCGS Facebook page. See the updated program information Sue has posted.

<https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>

e. Library Committee: Sue

Sue discussed the various BCGS Library projects and potential book sale.

Sue explained the tentative arrangements for a book sale that would likely take place in the church social hall and be combined with our annual June potluck that would be held in the Annex.

8. **Unfinished Business**

Ballots for 2018 officers will be counted at the December General Meeting.

9. **New Business**

George will add a Pay Pal button to our BCGS web site for payment of memberships.

10. **Other**

Connie clarified that queries can be given to Lois.

11. **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary