

Benton County Genealogy Society
P.O. Box 1646
Philomath, OR 97370
Wednesday December 5, 2018
The Philomath Library 12:30 to 2:00pm

Board Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** George called the meeting to order at 12:40pm. Those attending: George, Sue, Lois, Linda, Connie and Kathryn.
 2. **Minutes:** Copies of the November 7, 2018, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
 3. **President**
 - a. The next Board Meeting will be Monday January 7, 2019. This day and time may change.
 - b. The next General Meeting will be Saturday January 12, 2019.
 - c. The silent auction this year was discussed. Everything is falling into place with this new process. Lois will be the cashier and bring copies of the bidding sheets. We need to bring pens. The tables will need to be arranged early. Board members will have their bidding sheets filled out so they can help guide other members through the bidding process.
 - d. Voting for 2019 officers will take place at the General Meeting.
 - e. Finding a new secretary is urgent.
 4. **Past President**
 5. **Vice President** - Kathryn Moss
 6. **Programs - Linda Olsen**
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Programs Scheduled for 2018

December 8: **Silent Auction and Potluck.**

Programs Scheduled for 2019

January 12: Ted Cox will talk about his book Murray Loop and writing techniques

February 9: Danell Aukerman will demonstrate **How to Research Genealogy on the Internet.**

March 9: Ann Smart will demonstrate the basics of **Rootsmagic** and talk about recent updates.

April 13: Pam Vestal will cover **Voting Records: Genealogy's Best Kept Secret**

May 11: Leanne Trask will present **Pitfalls of German Genealogy**

7. Committee Reports

- a. **Membership:** Connie reported that we have 32 renewal memberships for 2019 already. We have received generous donations to the society this year. Connie will have membership forms available at the General Meeting, and she has reserved the Philomath Library meeting room for the next 6 months.
- b. **Treasurer/Finance Committee:** Lois reported our current balance is \$5,669.39 after yearly payments to the church and museum, new laptop and head set. Lois will write an announcement for the January newsletter about the amount of income from the silent auction.

c. Publications: Web, Newsletter

*Published Book Sales:

* Webmaster: George posted the December 2018 BCGS newsletter.

www.bcgs-oregon.org

*Newsletter: Deadline for January 2019 newsletter is December 28, 2018

*BCGS Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>

e. Library Committee:

* Sue talked about potential plans for the upstairs part of our library. Removing the cupboard with glass doors would create more space and adding a stable work table would be helpful. Moving the vertical file from the downstairs library office to the upstairs was also discussed as well as moving the copier downstairs.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

*Nominations for new officers. Linda Olsen will not be continuing as secretary in 2019.

*Continue the process of new and renewed memberships for 2019.

*Linda will compose the new format listing of BCGS Officers and Appointed Positions for 2019 and submit a copy to Ann B. for the January newsletter.

*Activities for members to do after they have finished bidding on auction items:

1. Sue will provide an activity for members to write down their surnames and states they are currently working on and share information.
2. Debbie White will show the photos she took on her recent trip to Italy.

10. Other

11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary