

Benton County Genealogical Society Board Meeting Minutes, 26 February 2001

The meeting convened at 7:05. Present: Danell Auckerman, Ken Bielman, Bill Greaves, Gene Newcomb, Damaris Reynolds, Charlene Talbot, Margaret Hays, Dave Kribs, Maybell Martsching, Dorothy Burt, Leila Crawford.

Terri Greene being absent, there were no minutes to read covering the January meeting. Charlene Talbot agreed to take the minutes for the February meeting.

The treasurer reported that the book publishing situation was smooth, the Society is ahead by \$1,053.44, and we still have inventory.

The membership chair reported that dues for two new family memberships came in this month and ten new individual members. Current membership? 128

The program chair reported that Joanne Skelton will talk about Quaker records for the March meeting; in April Mimi Stang will give a talk about DAR records; in May Bill Gleaves will talk about Benton County Aviation history. The program chair will take the responsibility for inserting notices of the coming programs in the Gazette-Times.

The hostess chair reported that signups for cookies are all filled.

The library has 26 new CDs, 24 of them (\$150 worth) thanks to the contribution of Danell Auckerman. The library is out of shelf lists of books, but more will be printed and will be available by the time of our next general meeting on March 10th.

Damaris Reynolds brought out a folder of the order forms for the original cemetery books. The folder will be stored at the library. One of the Society's goals will be to republish the cemetery books.

The book committee has ordered two CDs. Damaris Reynolds is presenting to the library a booklet of Missouri genealogical addresses.

Maybell Martsching reported that she has supplied the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce with a number of our Society folders. Danell Auckerman will take care of answering the Benton Co. web query re Stewart, who was on the 1845 Wagon Train. A discussion was held on the location of the Early/Airlie post office.

The obituary project currently has 400 names abstracted from early Benton County newspapers, aimed toward Addendum Two.

The WPA project is on hold while the chair person moves into her new house.

Danell Auckerman will teach 3 classes at the upcoming Community College session: Beginning Genealogy, Intermediate Genealogy; and Genealogy on the Internet.

Old business concerned the upcoming conference in Portland. There are several brochures at the library, and Danell Auckerman is willing to carpool on Saturday.

An Activities chairperson is still needed. A Sales chairperson is also still needed. The Society still has a number at the OSU thrift shop, and Damaris Reynolds will take things there if anyone wants to bring them to her.

New Business: The President suggested we vote on changes for the By-Laws, the changes to be presented at the March meeting and they will be voted on at the April general meeting. They are as follows:

Article VIII. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President at the September meeting of each year.

Nominees shall be presented and nominations opened from the floor at the October meeting.

Article X DISASSOCIATION

In the unlikely event that the Society should cease to exist, the then Board of Directors shall determine the disposition of any remaining assets. Priorities shall be given to any succeeding non-profit organization--local, regional, or statewide--which would provide similar continuing services.

ARTICLE VI Sec. B

5. The duties of the Treasurer shall be ... to prepare account books for an annual audit and report such audit at the October meeting.
(date changed from February)

Ken Bielman made a motion, seconded by Gene Newcomb that the Board accept the suggested changes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Other new business was that we have been asked to exchange newsletters with the Douglas County society in Roseburg. It was agreed to add them to the mailing list.
The meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted, Charlene Talbot, secretary pro tem.