Board Meeting Minutes

Benton County Genealogy Society
P.O. Box 1646
Philomath, OR 97370
Tuesday February 9, 2016
The Philomath Library 10:00am to noon

- 1. **Call to Order**: Ron called the meeting to order at 10:10am. Those attending: Ron, Lois, Linda, Sue, and Connie.
- 2. **Minutes:** Copies of the January 5, 2016, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.

3. President

- a. Ron will continue searching for someone to build a new BCGS web page. Possibilities are David Devin who initially assisted Danell to partially develop a new web page in Wordpress, leads from the Philomath City Manager, Chris Workman, who may recommend someone who develops web pages, and leads from the Historical Museum.
- b. Updates on Family Tree Maker indicate that MacKiev is purchasing their previously contracted FTM business from Ancestry. All the details have not yet been settled since this is a new development. Ancestry is partnering with Rootsmagic and will sync records with Rootmagic.
- c. Ron's perspectives from the RootsTech conference in Salt Lake City suggest that the huge conference sessions are too large to be very productive but the vendor displays are extremely helpful.

4. Past President - Faye

5. Vice President/Programs

Finn J. D. John will speak on Offbeat Oregon History at the February 13th program.

March: Rootsmagic by Ann Smart

April: Writing Group: Sue V. & Maridee

May: DAR with Carla Frances and Jane Buck

June: Annual BCGS potluck

Summer Break for July and August September: Show and Tell, all members

October: TBA

November: Family Research by Mary Gallagher

December: Holiday Auction and potluck

6. Committee Reports

- a. Membership: <u>Connie</u> announced that 45 memberships have been received. She will have membership forms available at the February meeting.
- b. Treasurer/Finance Committee: **Lois** reported that current income is \$350 more that we have spent. Our current balance is \$5,129.23.
- c. Publications: Web, Newsletter*Published Book Sales:
 - * Webmaster: Linda and Ron Olsen Linda answered a request from Gerald Marsh

for confirmation that Walter C. Galloway was the son of Samuel J Galloway. Linda sent him a link to 'Find a Grave' which displayed a death certificate and other confirming information that was posted. He was happy with the information.

*Newsletter

Send newsletter submissions to Ron for publication.

*BCGS Facebook page.

Sue posted information on our next program for "Offbeat Oregon History" by Finn J. D. John scheduled for February 13, 2016, 11:00am.

e. Library Committee: Sue announced that the long lost CD of our society published books developed by our society has been found. Archiving some copies was discussed.

She also announced that the BCGS writing group is doing well. The next class will be February 16th in the Annex from 1 - 3 pm. The topic this month is the 1950s. The librarians met to discuss how to organize lists of what to keep and what not to keep in the library.

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

Finding a new president is top priority!! Ron may be moving before the end of 2016. Various individual members were discussed as possible candidates to take over as president by the end of this year.

9. Other

Upcoming seminars:

- 1. Bend Genealogical Society: speaker is Lisa Louise Cooke, for spring seminar on April 23, 2016.
- 2. Genealogical Council of Oregon Summer Genealogy Fest: Lane Community College, Eugene, July 30, 2016.
- 3. Genealogical Forum of Oregon Irish Land Records: March 12th held at Milwaukie Center and March 13th held at GFO Library, Portland.

10. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted, Linda Olsen, Secretary