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Philomath, OR 97370

Tuesday November 8, 2016

The Philomath Library 10:00am to noon

1. **Call to Order:** Ron called the meeting to order at 10:08am. Those attending: Ron, Sue, Linda, Connie and Lois
2. **Minutes:** Copies of the October 4, 2016, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
3. **President**
 - a. The next Board Meeting will be December 6, 2016, and the next General Meeting will be December 10, 2016.
 - b. We discussed ideas for filling the vacant president and vice president positions starting in January 2017. See unfinished business.

4. **Past President - Faye**

5. **Vice President/Programs**

November: Family Research by Mary Gallagher

December: Holiday Auction and potluck

6. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Membership:** Connie reported that we have 17 paid memberships already.
 - *Connie will bring membership forms to the General Meeting.
 - *She brought copies of the 2015-2016 Audit which was submitted and approved by the Board today.
- b. **Treasurer/Finance Committee:**

Lois reported that our current balance is \$5,613.56.
- c. **Publications: Web, Newsletter**
 - *Published Book Sales:
 - * Webmaster: George
 - *Newsletter

The newsletter was briefly discussed. Is it too long, what to leave out? We concluded it's perfect the way it is. Ron will continue publishing the newsletter for awhile after he moves.

*BCGS Facebook page. Program updates are published on Facebook by Sue.

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

e. **Library Committee: Sue**

*Sue reported the librarians are working on two projects.

1. One project is to justify titles on all books with the inventory description to make sure they match.
2. The second project is to position the labels on the books where they may be more

easily read.

- * The Librarians will meet soon to sort which journals to keep and which to not keep.
- * Sue and her husband purchased and replaced the broken lock on the BCGS Library door.

7. Unfinished Business

Since no members have volunteered for officer positions, the Board determined that setting up a presidents' committee and a programs' committee would benefit the society and fill the vacant officer positions in January 2017. Members in the committees would rotate the responsibilities. Each member of the presidents' committee would choose one month to be the president. Each member of the programs' committee would choose one month to be responsible for selecting and making the arrangements for a program. The Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and Web Master positions would remain the same. The Board would be supportive to the new rotating Presidents and Program chairman.

At the October meeting, Liza Wilson offered to be president for the next year beginning January 2018. Sue will contact her for a commitment.

8. New Business

Potential programs mentioned would be a "Sharing Collections" program. Each member could bring one or more collection they enjoy such as postcards, dolls, bells, special photos and much more. Perhaps a prize could be given for the most unusual collection.

Sharon Waldman was mentioned as a potential program speaker on writing again.

9. Other

*Ron will give Linda the extra Post Office box key.

*Linda shared a list of program speakers, Ancestry Detectives - Possible Speakers. pdf
<http://ancestrydetectives.org/Handouts/ADPossibleSpeakers.pdf>

Linda also will e-mail the board a second list of Potential Program Speakers with an attached list of past speakers.

*Sue will make a sign up sheet for a presidents' committee and a programs' committee.

10. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary