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Tuesday October 4, 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 George.
2. **Minutes:** Copies of the September 6, 2016, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
3. **President**
 - a. A nomination committee for new officers will be appointed. Sue and Ron will make phone calls to several members.
 - b. Program ideas were discussed in case of a last minute program cancellation.
 - c. The next Board Meeting will be November 8, 2016, and the next General Meeting will be November 12, 2016.
 - d. Announcement: Oregon State Archives Open House, Saturday Oct. 15, 2016, 10am - 3pm

4. **Past President - Faye**

5. **Vice President/Programs**

October: OSU professor of communication, Bobette Bushnell, PhD, will present a program about ways to share family history with our children and grandchildren.

November: Family Research by Mary Gallagher

December: Holiday Auction and potluck

Potential speakers - Writing/Sharon Waldman

6. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Membership:** Connie reported that we have 59 memberships. Connie will bring membership forms to the General Meeting. She is also working on the Audit.
- b. **Treasurer/Finance Committee:** No Report

c. **Publications:** Web, Newsletter

*Published Book Sales:

* Webmaster: George – Updates

1. George presented a proposal for Internet and possibly WIFI access to our library computers for a \$10 a month fee using his personal Verizon account. BCGS would then reimburse his monthly \$10 expense. This will add a badly needed Internet access for our librarians use as well as visitors to our library and members doing research. This proposal was overwhelmingly approved!

2. George has posted some previous BCGS Newsletters on our new web site at www.bcgs-oregon.org. Connie and Ron will forward more newsletters to George to post on the new web site.

3. See more updates on the new society web page. Select "Main Site" from the menu to see our society address, links to facebook, newsletters and more.

***Newsletter**

Send newsletter submissions to Ron DeYoung for publication

***BCGS Facebook page. See us on Facebook.**

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

d. Library Committee: Sue

- *Sue reported that we had a good group for the September writing class.
- *Sue suggested having Sharon Waldman again as a speaker to present a program on writing.
- *Sue acknowledged Pat Coolican's donation of magazines and books, many on Ireland.
- *The library inventory will be completed soon.

7. Unfinished Business

A new BCGS president, vice president and newsletter person are urgently needed.

A succession plan was discussed. A nominating committee will be making calls.

8. New Business

9. Other

*Connie reviewed the successful Family Fun Day at the Benton County Historical Museum this summer(2016) and discussed the possibility of BCGS somehow joining in next summer. (2017). We would need a theme to match the International theme the museum plans for next summer. With Internet and WIFI access, we could promote our society and serve a number of people at the Family Fun Day.

10. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary