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## Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 8, 2012  
9:00 am, Annex, Philomath, OR 97370

### A. Call to Order:

Danell called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Those attending: Danell, Faye, Margaret, Grace, Ellen, Mary Jo, Linda, Gene, Judy.

### B. Minutes:

Copies of the June 2012 minutes were distributed by e-mail, reviewed and approved by members present.

### C. Committee Reports:

1. **President** - Danell announced that she will not be running for president next term.

2. **Past President** - Margaret recently gave a genealogy presentation at Stoneybrook. This was a short notice request and only a few participants attended. More commitment to a focused purpose would be helpful in any future requests for presentations.

### 3. Vice President/Programs

September is our "Show and Tell" time to share our genealogical discoveries. Danell gave Faye the "Ask Granny" program folder to look over as a possible future program idea. Having a copyright attorney speak is another great program idea.

Faye announced the historical program happening this afternoon at Camp Adair and invited everyone to attend.

### 4. Treasurer/Finance Committee

Treasurer: Margaret reviewed next year's budget. After a discussion, the new budget was approved. Our end of fiscal year balance is \$4,364.84.

### 5. Membership

Mary Jo reported that we currently have 54 paid memberships. No new memberships were issued over the summer break.

### Public Relations

### 6. Publication Committee

Web page: Linda, nothing to report.

Booksales - Judy announced that the museum had sold quite a few of our published books and also some were sold at the conference in Eugene. She will check on the books that may need to be printed to replenish the books-for-sale racks again.

Newsletter - Margaret was complimented on the overall look, content and current colorful society photos published in our newsletter.

Brochures - Danell gave Mary Jo some extra society brochures.

## Posters

### **7. Library Committee**

Librarian: Grace reported that the library staff is working to locate missing books. A discussion developed around relocating and rearranging the BCGS library books. No specific decisions were made.

Gene is investigating re-keying a lock for the upstairs Annex library space.

### Library staff:

### **8. Historian:** Nancy

### **9. Photographer:** Faye

### **10. Other**

Margaret brought mail the society had received from the post office box. Queries are sent to Gene. Other mail includes advertisements for self promotional books and a variety of other items. Mail requests for contributions and anything requiring funds need to be brought before the board such as the donation request received from the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) to support a project to digitize the War of 1812 pension records.

### **D. Unfinished Business**

A message announcing our September genealogical society meeting was posted on the Philomath Reader Board. Grace will check to see if the reader board message can be run every month.

### **E. New Business**

Acknowledgment of members, past and present, who have helped make the society a success was discussed. Faye and others listed numerous past members and some of their accomplishments and contributions. Ideas for ways to honor these individual members included names on a plaque or naming rooms in our library for one or more members. The only plaque we currently have lists the society charter members. Dedicating a book for our library in the name of a past member is a current process for honoring members. More discussion will continue on these and other ideas for honoring members at the October meeting.

### **G. Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Olsen, Secretary