

1. **Call to Order:** George called the meeting to order at 12:30pm. Those attending: George, Ron, Sue, Linda, Connie, Lois.
2. **Minutes:** Copies of the May 10, 2017, minutes were distributed by e-mail and approved by those members present.
3. **President**
 - a. The next Board Meeting will be September 6, 2017, and General Meeting will be September 9, 2017.
 - b. Discussed BCGS Library reduced open time on Saturday of our meetings (see unfinished business)
 - c. Discussed increase in cost to members who require a mailed newsletter (see unfinished business)
4. **Past President** - Ron
5. **Vice President** - Kathryn Moss
6. **Programs - Linda Olsen and Maridee Symons**

June: Dating Old Photographs and annual Potluck
Summer Break ----- **BCGS Library will be open through the summer**

September: Show n Tell and sharing

October: Don Anderson's program titled "From Native American to Scottish: The Journey to find my first parents". It all started in Corvallis!" His book: Paper and Spit: Family found: How DNA and Genealogy Revealed my First Parents' Identity is now available.

November: TBA

December: Holiday auction and potluck

Potential Programs for 2017:

*Gail Downs is tentatively scheduled for a presentation on "The Black Suitcase Mystery" February 10, 2018.

7. Committee Reports

- a. **Membership:** Connie reported that we have 58 memberships. Connie will make adjustments to our BCGS brochure to reflect the cost increase for mailed newsletters. (See unfinished business)
- b. **Treasurer/Finance Committee:** \$5, 536.30
- c. **Publications: Web, Newsletter**
 - *Published Book Sales: Sue will follow up with the Missouri book purchase order form.
 - * Webmaster: George – Updates --
George has posted scheduled Monthly programs on our new web site at www.bcgs-oregon.org
George was complemented for changing the contrast colors of the BCGS web pages making the pages easier to read.
 - *Newsletter
Send newsletter submissions to Ron DeYoung for publication.

*BCGS Facebook page. See the updated program information **Sue has posted.**
<https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>

e. Library Committee: Sue

*The annual BCGS Library inventory is scheduled for June 16.

*Sue and Kathryn are working on a new member packet which will also have information on mentoring.

*Sue has received several research queries through our Facebook page.

1. After discussion of the process, it was recommended that research queries first be directed to the Research web page which explains how to submit a research form and the fees.

2. The Research forms would be received through our Post Office box and forwarded to Lois who would answer the questions or find someone who would help with the research.

*Lois asked about saving or disposing of the sign-in sheets in the library. Since the librarians keep track of the numbers of individuals using the library, it was decided that it was not necessary to keep the handwritten sign-in sheets.

8. Unfinished Business

*Lois will make a sign up sheet for some of the many volunteer positions we need to fill.

*It was decided to let the one library volunteer staff person on duty the Saturday following the General meetings have latitude over whether to close one hour early on meeting days.

*Lois contacted several members who are receiving a mailed newsletter and explained the cost will be going up for mailed newsletters. Several members decided they did not need to receive a mailed newsletter.

A motion was made and accepted to increase the cost of the mailed newsletters to \$10 over the regular membership dues. During the summer our membership dues are half price and the mailed newsletters would also be half price.

Effective June 7, 2017:

Membership dues are still \$20 per year.

Membership plus a mailed newsletter is now \$30 per year.

Membership dues for the last half of the year are \$10

Membership plus a mailed newsletter for the last half of the year are now \$15

9. New Business

10. Other

*Many compliments were expressed about how this year has developed. We were all very positive and it felt good.

*Linda passed around the information she will submit for the Our Town Publication sometime in July.

11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary