

**NIAGARA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Shelley at 6:28pm.

Approval of Minutes: Barb moved, Dawn seconded.

Not in Attendance: All in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy reported a correction in balance on 1/31/2019 of \$6,816.80 due to additional charges for opening account, checks, etc. Balance of \$5,916.14 on 2/28/19 and \$5,705.56 on 3/31/2019. Sandy reported we paid NYS sales tax of \$7.37 but no sales for the previous month of maps, t-shirts, etc.

**Committee Reports:**

Membership Report: 211 active members, 875 followers on Facebook

Programs:

March 27<sup>th</sup> – Aaron Mossell and descendants in partnership with NCHS was well attended and received great reviews.

Upcoming programs -----April 24<sup>th</sup>- DNA and Genealogy with Rhonda Hoffman. This is Sandy's program and she reports that Rhonda will need a laptop with power point and projector. Shelley and Dawn will bring their laptops. Rhonda hasn't confirmed whether we can videotape her yet. Sandy will reach out again. Dawn will bring refreshments and Shelley will do AV, Jeanette will setup, Carol will run the meeting.

The date for our June program "Land Records & Sanborn Maps" taught by Jeanette Sheliga will be changed from June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 19<sup>th</sup>. Corrections to the schedule will be made and sent to membership.

Computer/Web Site:

No updates, Dawn is still waiting for Jay.

Correspondence:

Nothing to report.

Library:

Shelley will email Becky at the shelving company regarding the \$140 shipping charge we dispute. Board has approved the purchase of 9 shelf supports to complete the library upgrade.

### Newsletter:

1. March 2019 – Famous Families of Niagara County – MAILING COMPLETE
2. June 2019 – Finding Your Birthparents – Stories & Resources – Dawn will email the membership for stories to share.
3. September 2019 – Birth, Marriage and Death Records in NCGS Library
4. December 2019 – Member Stories

### Blog:

Carol reports the blog is going well. Always looking for input from the board members. Jeanette suggested a new monthly post “Get to Know Our Members” and has reached out to board members to answer a handful of questions about themselves. Jeanette also suggested we reprint old newsletter articles on blog. Barb N. has agreed to submit old newsletter articles to Carol to be added to the blog. Links to our Youtube channel will also be added to blog.

### **New Business:**

Work out a more formal management of our monthly programs. Addendum of responsibilities will be added to each program schedule.

Provide training to board members of all roles necessary on program night. Jeanette will create a how-to checklist for us.

Shelley reviewed bylaws regarding board member / officer roles and asked everyone to think about what they can add to the board and email Carol their response to be reviewed at the May meeting.

Cindy R has resigned as Record Secretary effective immediately.

### **Old Business:**

The Skinner Collection – Shelly will reach out again to Ann Bruski, Celeste and Rhonda Hoffman for an evaluation of the holdings and how to organize, display and market it.

### **Upcoming Meeting:**

Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Meeting Adjourned at 7:58pm

Respectfully submitted by Carol DiPirro-Stipkovits