

**NIAGARA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Shelley at 6:37 pm.

**Attendance:** Dawn absent.

**Approval of Minutes:** Cindy R. did not have the minutes ready for approval; Board went over last month's agenda & Cindy will type up/email.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sandy reported a balance of \$5,468.27 on 11/30/18 and \$6,182.54 on 12/31/18.

**Membership Report:** Membership report of 160 active members, 805 followers on Facebook.

**Committee Reports:**

a. Programs

Saturday, Jan 26 1:00 pm	Beginning Genealogy: You Can Do This!	Shelley Richards	Lockport Public Library
Saturday, Feb 23 1:00 pm	Fulton History newspaper website	Shelley Richards	Lockport Public Library
Wednesday, Mar 27 7:00 pm	TBD/ Tower family of Porter <i>or</i> Aaron Mossell	Brian Tower was going to talk to his aunt about Feb 23. Anne Marie cannot do Saturday Feb 23, nor can her partner, but could do a Wednesday.	215 Niagara Street
Wednesday, April 24 7:00 pm	Probe your past: the basics of DNA testing.	Rhonda Hoffman (Sandy Chapman)	215 Niagara Street
Wednesday, May 22 7:00 pm	Finding You birthparents	Ward Bray (Jeanette Sheliga)	215 Niagara Street
Wednesday, June 26 7:00 pm	Identifying historical items age/era by fabric/color?	Janice Wiegley	215 Niagara Street
Wednesday, Sep 25 7:00 pm	Polish genealogy of some sort	Al or someone he knows? Who can call him? <b>Note:</b> <b>Polish done in 2016.</b> Shelley suggested Skinner; Carol suggested sourcing citations.	215 Niagara Street
Wednesday, Oct 23 7:00 pm	TBD	Shelley proposes hiring a consultant to evaluate our holdings and tell us what to do with them.	215 Niagara Street

- b. Computer/Website – no report.
- c. Correspondence – no report.
- d. Library – Jeanette, et al
  1. S. Richards emailed Chris McNish again to find out the date. Update: to be shipped Feb. 14!
  2. Janice reported that Mike Niethé donated Price Cemetery to us & we shared Glenwood (up to 1983) with him.
- e. Newsletter – Shelley
  1. March 2019 - Famous Families of Niagara County
  2. June 2019 - Finding Your Birthparents – Stories and Resources
  3. September 2019 - Birth Marriage and Death Records in NCGS Library
  4. December 2019 - Member Stories

### **Old Business:**

1. Elections
  - a. Welcome Janice Wiegley to NCGS Board; Shelley Jeanette and Cindy R start new three-year term for 2019-2021.
  - b. Carol Blog and marketing update: Jeanette is doing every Wednesday (4x per month), Carol is posting her monthly newspaper article (1x per month) and Shelley is doing one per month. Carol asked again if anyone is interested in contributing to the blog.

### **New Business:**

1. We purchased 2 St Patrick's Cemetery volumes authored by Board Chair Shelley Richards for \$54. They were placed in the Niagara County Cemetery Collection but must be accessioned. ***CindyR. will do this.*** Have these been paid for (Ticklebridge on Market Street)? ***Yes, per Sandy.***
2. NCGS lease with NCHS – review and suggestion for moving forward if needed. NOTE: It is still active. ***Discussed.***
3. Rent and Donation to NCHS; dues; speaker fee. ***Table all until next meeting.***

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Program Meeting – February 23 at 1:00 pm at Lockport Public Library.
- Board Meeting – Tuesday March 5 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

***Cindy Ribbeck***