

Ingham County Genealogical Society

General Membership Meeting

May 11, 2017

The May 11, 2017 regular membership meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society (ICGS) was held at the Sam Corey Senior Center, Holt, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER: President Audrey Martini called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Audrey Martini led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROGRAM: *Evernote II* by Lisa Feury.

BUSINESS MEETING:

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: There were 4 guests present. One of them spoke of the ancestors he is researching.

CONFORMATION OF QUORUM: President Martini asked if there was a quorum. Cathy Carr confirmed that 28 members were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Marty Marshall made a motion to approve the agenda with the one change of moving the publication report to the beginning of Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Bill Carr. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There was one correction to the minutes. The title of the presentation for the May 11, 2017 meeting is *Evernote II* not *Endnotes II*. Tammy Parsons made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Sam Pardee seconded. Motion passed.

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: President Audrey Martini recognized and thanked the volunteers. The Social Committee Chair is vacant. Any member who would like to take on that responsibility is encouraged to see Audrey Martini.

President Martini reported that the members of the Nomination Committee for slate of officers for the 2017-2018 term are Dave Held, Alice Raatz and Harry Warner. If any member is interested in running for an office they need to let one of the Nomination Committee members know.

It was also reported that the Calendar of Genealogy Related Event is constantly being updated. President Martini encouraged members to let her know if they are aware of any other events related to genealogy.

Vice President: Ricardo Muniz not present. No report.

Treasurer: Kathy Langhals reported \$66.00 of income and \$114.00 of expenses for the month of April, 2016. She reviewed the annual budget for 2016-2017. She indicated that it had been approved by the board in July 2016. Isabelle Wells made a motion to approve the annual budget for 2016-2017. Connie Stewart seconded. The motion passed with one member opposing and one member abstaining.

Membership Secretary: Cathy Carr explained the ancestry charts that members are encouraged to fill out. This is a strictly voluntary and the completed family trees are stored at the genealogy library.

She mentioned that she had contacted a graphic artist for the possibility of designing new membership forms and business cards.

Librarian: Charles Hagler reported that \$6.00 was taken in for the month of April. A total of \$145.00 has been taken in so far for this fiscal year.

Charles Hagler asked for approval of the purchase of a computer and printer for the library. Kathy Langhals informed the members of the specifications for the computer and printer. The budget that has been allocated is \$1400.00. Kathy Langhals reported that the cost would probably be in the \$1100 - \$1200 bracket. Charles Hagler made a motion to approve the expenditure of a new computer and printer and software. Sam Pardee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustees: Connie Stewart reported that the audit needs to be completed.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS:

Publication: Grove Sandrock reported on the Donna Heminger book project. He made a motion that the society authorize the publication of the edited version of Donna Heminger’s family history memoir. The following is the complete motion:

I move the Heminger Book Committee be authorized to publish the edited version of Donna Heminger’s family history memoir through services of the MSU Libraries Espresso Book Machine. Of the approximate \$600 given to ICGS in memory of our only Honorary member, up to \$200 shall be spent for this service.

The balance of the donated funds shall be transferred to the ICGS general fund.

Further, ICGS shall donate one free copy of this book to the following:

ICGS Library

Library of Michigan

Archives of Michigan

CADL – Downtown Lansing branch

Allen County Public Library (Indiana)

Chris Heminger (Donna’s son)

Jan Heminger (Donna’s daughter)

Courtney Heminger (nee) (Donna’s granddaughter)

Additional copies may be purchased by any individual or organization directly from MSU Libraries.

Submitted on behalf of the Heminger Book Committee:

Grove Sandrock (Chairperson)

Diane Bishop

Lora McAdams

Bill Carr seconded the motion. There was a discussion about the balance of the donated funds being transferred to the ICGS general fund. Since the money was donated as a memorial tribute to Donna Heminger it was suggested that the \$400 not spent on the publication would remain in the Donna Heminger Memorial Donations Account. Grove amended his motion to state that the balance of the donated funds be kept in the Donna Heminger Memorial Donations Account. The amended motion passed.

Social Committee: Alice Raatz announced that the August picnic would be held at the Sam Corey Senior center on August 10, 2017. Social gathering will begin at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.

Computer: Rod Jewett. Not present. No report.

Web Master: Harry Warner. Not present. No report.

Facebook Page: Isabelle Wells. No report.

Facebook Group: Jeff Antaya reported that five people have joined the group.

Program: Ricardo Muniz. Not present. No report.

Publicity: Dave Held. Not present. No report.

Merchandise: Isabelle Wells reported that one CD of the Ingham County News for the years 1917-1919 was sold.

A and W Spaghetti Dinner: Diane Bishop. No report.

Cemetery Walk: Connie Stewart reported that there was no date set for the walk at this time. She reported at the last meeting that the walk would take place at the Greenwood Cemetery in Aurelius Township. Grove Sandrock made a motion to accept the Greenwood Cemetery for the walk. Tammy Parsons seconded it. The motion passed.

Newsletter: Cindy Hawkins. Not present. No report.

Historian: Alice Raatz reported that the History Scrapbook is always available.

Michigan Genealogical Council: Tammy Parsons reported that the council met on May 11, 2017. The Abrams Seminar is scheduled for July 21 and 22, 2017.

Registration are being taken online. There will be a lock-in on Friday night and will include both the State Archives and the State Library.

The Michigan Naturalization Project with be going live again soon. Changes are being made so that it is easier to index.

The Library of Michigan will be extending their Detroit Free Press collection. The current collection is 1831-1922. This will be extended to 1999 and a new year will be added each successive year. One must be on-site to use access this collection.

The Lucy Mary Kellogg nominations are due by May 31, 2017.

Speakers guide has been updated and posted on the MGC website Membership renewal for societies will be due and packets will be mailed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT: The next board meeting will be July 27, 2017.

Charles Hagler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Carr seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectively Submitted by

Barb Bridges

Recording Secretary