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  - 3. RENEWAL REMINDER NOTICE
  - 4. ACADIAN SETTLEMENT → \$2300 loss
- H. NEW BUSINESS
  - 1. FALL CONFERENCE OCT. ST. A'S
  - 2. ADVERTISING
    - a. CROSSROADS "85" KANSAS CITY NO. 1500 APPLIC. FORMS VOTE Yes
    - b. SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY 3000 " " " "
  - ✓3. REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP LISTS NO!
  - ✓4. N.E.H.G.S. VIDEO TAPE SERIES
  - ✓5. VIDEO TAPE FOR CONFERENCE SPEAKERS
  - ✓6. EUGENE GAUDREAU'S DONATION
  - 7. CONFERENCE PROFITS → P.S. acct.
  - 8. COMPUTER DONATIONS
  - 9. ACADIAN BOARD MEMBERS



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**BOARD MEETING - MAY 20, 1985**  
**ACA BUILDING - MANCHESTER, NH**

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**PRESENT:** Richard Gagnon, Jean Pellerin, Helen Tuttle, Aurore Dionne, Louis Valliere, Roland Marchand, Robert Maurier, Mark Gauthier, Roger Lawrence, Frank Binette, Ky Stratoti, Irene Racicot

**EXCUSED:** Maurice Moynihan, Lucille Lagasse, Frank Chicoine, Alfred Yelle

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--President R. Gagnon called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

## RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

--J. Pellerin moved to accept the Recording Secretary's report for the previous meeting (April 17) as written. This was seconded by F. Binette and unanimously accepted.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

--R. Gagnon reported that his father has agreed to handle miscellaneous correspondence for ACGS. Comments from people writing to the Society have been good, especially in regards to the Library, the Conference, and the Research Department.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

--R. Gagnon reviewed the updated financial report, making some corrections to the report and answering questions as he explained the details. He mentioned that the ACGS ledgers need to be audited. J. Pellerin's father-in-law, a CPA and member of ACGS, has agreed to review the books and set up a system for transferring the ledgers from one Board to the next.

## LIBRARY BOARD REPORT

--The Library Board report was given by H. Tuttle

--New books are being added to the shelves.

--J. Pellerin is renumbering the books and setting up a cataloguing system. All books will be cross referenced in appropriate categories.

--The microfilm readers are still broken.

--Hilda Dupont is cataloguing the Genealogist for easy reference.

--The Library Board needs help with the Family Files and with filing the ACA papers.

--Henri Champagne of Lowell, MA is putting obituary notices in ring binders for ACGS. This requires extensive work on his part.

--The Library has been well staffed of late due to the efforts of I. Racicot.

--The Library Board needs a volunteer to store the Genealogist in his or her basement. Someone is needed, also, to assemble 30-40 packets of all back issues of the Genealogist for sale by the Society. Also needed is a volunteer to put together informational packets for new and prospective members.

#### ARCHIVIST REPORT

--This report was given by J. Pellerin.

--There are 102 books in the bindery at present.

--As mentioned in the Library Board Report, the cataloguing of books (with the help of the computer) continues. Some of the categories being used in the cross referencing process are: histories, census records, Acadian history, author, title, location, parish, and family name. Each book can be cross referenced as many as 12 times. It is expected that the new referencing system will be invaluable to researchers, both novice and experienced.

#### RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

--F. Binette reported that he recently spoke with Eugene Lemieux of ACA concerning the possibility of doing a mailing to ACA members. Through this mailing, ACGS would offer to do the main line of interested ACA members for a cost of \$10, presenting each main line typed on parchment paper. ACA would handle the promotional mailing. ACGS would purchase the parchment paper, do the research and type and mail the main line information. The purpose of doing this mailing and the research would be to raise money for ACGS, to attract new members, and to promote the Research Department.

--Pros and cons of this idea were discussed, with no decision reached. The topic was table for discussion at a future meeting.

## OLD BUSINESS

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

--The life membership drive is going well, with 27 new life members to date.

### SPRING CONFERENCE REPORT

--R. Gagnon reported that the speakers at the Spring Conference were outstanding and were well received. The Conference yielded a profit of \$381.95; 118 people registered.

### RENEWAL REMINDER NOTICE

--Post card renewal reminder notices are being sent to all inactive ACGS members.

### AGHA SETTLEMENT

--The Acadian Genealogical and Historical Society settlement was discussed. R. Gagnon read the details of the legal settlement document to the Board. The agreements covered on this document are basically as outlined in the minutes of the meeting of April 17. L. Valliere brought up the point that the motion of Feb. 21 to appropriate \$2,500 towards paying legal fees to settle the AGHA matter were for settling in court. As the matter was actually settled out of court, it will be necessary for the Board to vote on appropriating the funds needed to pay the legal fees at a future meeting, when conclusive information on costs incurred is available.

## NEW BUSINESS

### FALL CONFERENCE

--H. Tuttle has agreed to be the Fall Conference Chairman. She is working on arrangements which may include hotel room discounts, and a possible luncheon and/or banquet. She is looking at St. Anselm College as a possible location, and, for the overall theme, Indians.

### ADVERTISING

--Crossroads '85 Kansas City Conference has requested 1,000 ACGS informational packages, and the Springfield MA Public Library has asked for 3,000 for their Family History Booth. R. Lawrence made a motion to supply the 4,000 requested packages. This was seconded by F. Binette and unanimously accepted.

### REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP LISTS

--There was much discussion on how ACGS should handle requests for membership mailing lists. A motion was made by R. Lawrence to allow the sale of a "doctored" mailing list to members upon request for a flat fee of \$15.00. The requesting member would be required to sign a contract indicating intended use of the mailing list. This motion was

seconded by F. Binette. After several points were brought up and discussed, a vote was taken. The motion was not carried as there were 3 in favor, and 6 opposed. This topic was tabled until a future meeting.

#### NEHGS VIDEO TAPE SERIES

--The New England Historical Genealogical Society video tape series was discussed. NEHGS received a grant for \$30,000 to video tape various genealogical repositories in the country. R. Gagnon wrote to them to ask them to put ACGS on their list of repositories to tape. They have agreed to put ACGS on the top of the list.

#### VIDEO TAPE FOR CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

--I. Racicot moved to give each of the Conference speakers a video tape of the Conference as a gift (this would be for speakers at the 10th Anniversary Conference, the Fall 1984 Conference, and the 1985 Spring Conference). This was seconded by R. Marchand and unanimously accepted.

#### EUGENE GOUDREAU DONATIONS

--To date \$55.00 has been donated in memory of Eugene Goudreau, an active member and friend of ACGS who recently passed away.

#### CONFERENCE PROFITS

--R. Maurier moved to include the profits from the Spring Conference into the Research Department account. This money would be set aside towards the purchase of 2 new microfilm readers. This motion was seconded by J. Pellerin and was carried with all in favor except for 1 abstaining.

#### COMPUTER DONATION

--The donation of an Infotechs computer by ACA (per Eugene Lemieux) was discussed. It is now being cleaned. R. Gagnon suggested that this computer be brought down to Springfield, MA so that the Springfield repertoires could be put directly onto the system.

#### KEY ALLOCATION

--L. Valliere requested a set of keys to the Library cabinets as this would be a major convenience for him when he comes in to do research. It was moved by R. Maurier that L. Valliere be given the keys, pending approval by ACA and that he be allowed to retain the keys as long as he is in the Research Department. This was seconded by R. Marchand, and accepted, with all voting in favor except for 1 abstention.

#### AGHA BOARD MEMBERS

--There was some discussion on how ACGS should deal with the AGHA board members who have recently resigned. R. Lawrence moved that ACGS send each of them a letter of censure, specifying that they cannot hold office in ACGS for a period of 3 years. This was seconded by R. Marchand. A vote was

taken, and the motion was accepted, with 6 voting in favor, and 4 opposed.

FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

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--H. Tuttle moved that ACGS join the FGHS for a cost of \$50 a year. The advantages to ACGS would be a stronger voice within the world of genealogical societies, which may help ACGS in obtaining publicity, in attracting new members, and in improving operations. This motion was seconded by J. Pellerin and was unanimously accepted. J. Pellerin and R. Gagnon will serve on the FGHS Board on behalf of ACGS.

ACADIAN HISTORIAN

--It was mentioned that Father Maurice Legere, Acadian Historian from New Brunswick, is scheduled to appear at a reception in the ACA Salon on May 28 at 7:00 p.m. All Board members were invited to attend the reception and meet Father Legere.

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--At 9:00 J. Pellerin moved to adjourn. This was seconded by M. Gauthier and unanimously accepted.  
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Respectfully submitted

*Aurore Dionne*  
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Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary

*6/5/85*  
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Date

NOTE: THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 11 AT 7:00 PM AT THE ACA BUILDING.



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## A.C.G.S.'S FINANCIAL OVERALL PICTURE as of May 20th, 1985

### RESERVED ACCOUNTS

SAVINGS CETIFICATE	10,340.34
BUILDING FUND	1,937.20
LIFE MEMBERSHIP	604.62

SUB TOTAL : 12,882.16

### WORKING ACCOUNTS

RESEARCH DEPT:	<u>900.00</u>
ARCHIVIST ACCT.	1,820.93
PETTY CASH ACCT.	300.00
CONFERENCE PROFIT	381.95
CHECKING ACCT.	1,347.22
UNDEPOSITED CASH	850.15

SUB TOTAL : 5,600.25

### EXPECTED INCOME

ACADIAN SETTLEMENT	1,000.00
LIFE MEMBERSHIP	1,183.00

SUB TOTAL : 2,183.00

TOTAL ASSETS

20,665.41

### OUTSTANDING BILLS

LAFAYETTE PRESS	1,287.00
TOM-RAY	183.43
MESSIER INSURANCE	245.88
ACTFANE	50.00
SR. MARY O'GALLAGHER	150.00
BINDERY	900.00
GENEALOGIST-NEXT ISSUE	880.00

*Loan for Savings*

3,595.90

SUB TOTAL : 3,496.31





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## 1985 SPRING CONFERENCE REPORT

REGISTRATION	118 people x \$5 fee	=	590.00
JETTE RAFFLE	47 tickets sold at \$1	=	47.00
COFFEE DONATIONS		=	<u>15.95</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	=	652.95

WINE & CHEESE EXPENDITURES!!		=	54.00
COFFE & DONUTS		=	12.00
V.C.R. TAPES & POPCORN		=	50.00
JETTE DICTIONARY		=	<u>155.00</u>
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	=	271.00

TOTAL INCOME = 652.95

TOTAL EXPENDITURES = 271.00

\*\*\* PROFIT \*\*\* + 381.95

JOB WELL DONE BY EVERYONE AND I FEEL THE SPEAKERS WERE VERY WELL  
VERSED IN THEIR TALKS AND ENJOYED BY ALL, THANKS

*Richard J. Gagnon*  
Richard J. Gagnon, Pres.