

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 15, 1990

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**CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Thursday, November 15, 1990 at the ACGS Library. President Pauline Cusson presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** All member were present.

**RECORDING SECRETARY** The minutes of the Annual Meeting were distributed at the meeting. Michael Melanson asked that the attendance record for the October meeting be corrected to show he was present. Roland Marchand requested that his name be changed on the record from Roger to Roland. The number of books on order by Roger Lawrence was corrected from 1000 to read 100. There being no other corrections the minutes were approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** Helen Tuttle, Treasurer, presented the October Treasurer's report. Helen reported that the #1 Certificate of Deposit had matured and that she had withdrawn it from the Amoskeag Bank and put it into the Ste Marie's Bank. She also stated that, as advised, she had divided the C.D. into three (3) separate C.D.'s as follows: two (2) in the amount of \$5,000 ea for one (1) year and one (1) in the amount of \$1,245 for six (6) months. Helen explained the reason for the change was in an emergency a single C.D. could be withdrawn at smaller penalty. Pauline asked if this C.D. was from Life Memberships and if there were any limitations as to how the money could be spent. The conclusion was there were no limitations. The correction on the October Treasurer's report reflected the 100 books Roger purchased this month. It was determined that the Taftville Repertoire would be \$15.00 if purchased at the library and \$17.00 mailed. The building fund balance as of today is \$11,166.03 The Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY

Paul Desmarais reported that the report on the building fund and additional figures that he did not have available at the conference will be given to the Secretary soon.

PRESIDENT'S  
REPORT

Pauline stated that she met with Lucille Legasse last Saturday, Nov. 10, and went over several topics which she would discuss at the next meeting. Also, she reported Lucille would like to stay involved and help in fund raising and social events. She also asked old board members for their assistance in putting together job descriptions for each board position to use to make up a set of guide lines. Pauline also questioned the board about the direction we would like to take in publishing repertoires. It was proposed that we appoint a special committee to publish and market new repertoires. Anne-Marie Perrault made a motion to establish an ad hoc committee for the purpose of marketing publications. Seconded by Bob Decoteau. Motion carried.

MOTION

Pauline asked standing chair persons to resign and be reappointed if they wish to continue. Anne-Marie, Connie and Roland were reappointed and Michael agreed to co-chair the Membership Committee with Larry Autotte. Bob Paquet agreed to assume publicity for the society. Al Hamel relinquished his position on the board and Larry Autotte was appointed to serve the one (1) year remaining of his term.

Connie reported that she had finished refiling the Family Genealogies and reorganized the Acadien collection and with the addition of new bookcases more there would be more reorganization.

Roger reported that he was holding back on ordering more books to enable us to build up our resources before purchasing resumes.

EDITORIAL  
BOARD

ANNE-MARIE REPORTED THE FULL ISSUE #78 WOULD GO TO the printer on Monday, Nov. 19, and the winter issue will be typeset by Pauline Cusson and they hope to have that out by Feb. 1. Anne-Marie asked the board for suggestions as to what they would like to see in the Genealogist. A newsletter was suggested to let the membership know what direction the society was going in. A suggestion to cut back on ancestral lines was rejected.

PUBLICATIONS

Pauline stated that Rene Dugas approached her at the Conference and wanted to know if he could have a copy of the diskettes on the Taftville repertoire that he originally gave to us and also would like to purchase at our cost 10-20 for himself to resell in the Conn. area for his profit. It was approved.

COMPUTER  
COMMITTEE

Roland Marchand reported that the software Al Hamel had given him to possibly use for data entry on N.D. des Canadiens Worcester repertoire and he determined he would remain with Q&A. The format has been set up and he has given discs to two (2) members who will do the data entry. Al mentioned the Ste Marie's "little book in the basement" but they have been unable to locate the book.

MEMBERSHIP  
COMMITTEE

Michel is sending reminders to people who have not renewed memberships. This seems to have been successful in the past.

Bob Decoteau requested the status of life memberships. They are available.

RESEARCH  
SERVICES

Three (3) copies of a genealogy from Mrs. Jacobs have been received and it was agreed to retain a copy for our library and the suggestion was made to give a copy to the Manchester Library and the other copy to NEGHS in Boston. This recommendation will be made to the research coordinator.

UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS

Pauline received a letter from Bob Provost recommending we provide a lending library by photo copying repertoires and loaning them out through the mail. The suggestion was rejected.

Spring Conference: A committee will be established for the Spring Conference. Helen Tuttle will contact St Anselm's to book a date. Al Hamel agreed to chair the committee. Suggestions were requested for speakers for the conference.

Building Fund: Paul Desmarais requested the following appointments be made to form a committee: Al Hamel, Roland Marchand, Richard Gagnon, Robert LeRoy, Roger Cassavant and Paul Desmarais and upon appointment they will apply for grants. Paul asked the board for suggestions as to what they would like for a new building.

Paul has checked several possibilities but they are financially impossible. The suggestion was made to raise dues by \$5.00 to allow more money for rent. Al suggested meeting the President of Ste Marie's Bank to discuss possible properties held by the bank. Al mentioned the Boys Club is still unoccupied and Paul also mentioned the Army Corp. of Engineers do various jobs for free but he felt they may not be available.

MOTION

Anne-Marie made a motion to establish an ad hoc Building Fund Committee. Connie seconded. Motion carried.

NEW  
BUSINESS

Al explained Artfest 91 will feature a major French Art Exhibit for January-March 1991 and suggested we have open house during that time to connect with the Franco-American theme.

It was recommended we have open house again but not specify certain families. Advertisement was recommended and volunteers requested to help during open house to provide one on one help to new people. It was suggested twice a month during the three (3) month period. It will be geared to beginners as an introduction to the library.

Roger Lawrence had been asked to speak at South Side Junior High on Saturday, Nov. 17, on genealogy in general but emphasis on French Canadian. Connie agreed to assist him.

The December board meeting: It was agreed to have a short board meeting before our Christmas Party. It was decided to have a pot luck supper at the library with spouses invited and \$5.00 gifts. The December meeting will be December 13, at 7:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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ROLL CALL - P = PRESENT E = EXCUSED A = ABSENT

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NAME	NOV/DEC/JAN/FEB/MAR/APR/MAY/JUN/JUL/AUG/SEP/OCT/
PAULINE CUSSON	P
ALBERT HAMEL	P
HELEN TUTTLE	P
JUDITH ARSENEAULT	P
PAUL DESMARAIS	P
LARRY AUTOTTE	P
ROBERT DECOTEAU	P
CONSTANCE HAMEL	P
GERRY LALONDE	P
ROLAND MARCHAND	P
MICHAEL MELANSON	P
ROBERT PACQUET	P
ANNE-MARIE PERRAULT	P