

Pauline Cusson

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARCH 12, 1992

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Thursday, March 12, 1992, at the ACGS Library. President Pauline Cusson presided. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.
- ROLL CALL** Anne-Marie Perrault was excused.
- RECORDING SECRETARY** The secretary's report was read and 2 corrections were requested. The report was approved as corrected.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** The treasurers report was read. There was discussion about the large balance in the checking account. Due to low interest rates is was decided to maintain the account as it is for now. A motion was made by Roger Lawrence to open a checking account at a bank in Montreal. This would enable the treasurer to pay for book purchases in Canadian funds. Bob Maurier seconded. Motion carried. The treasurer's report was filed for audit.
- MOTION**
- CORRESPONDING SECRETARY** Larry Autotte reported that requests for membership packets has been coming in about 7-8 per week. The notice on the Computer Bulletin Board has produced about 6 new memberships and several additional requests for information.
- PRESIDENT'S REPORT** Pauline Cusson reported on the New England Regional Conference on September 25/26, 1992 in Sturbridge, Ma. We discussed the possibility of having a booth for articles for sale. It was decided to postpone a decision until after the meeting in Woonsocket, R.I. March 22, 1992.
- Pauline has written to Addie Shields in Clinton County, N. Y in response to her letter offering her services, for hire, doing research in the Clinton County area. Anne-Marie is going to publish her letter in the next issue of the *American Canadian Genealogist*.

Anne-Marie proposed putting 4 - 1/4 page ads on the back inside cover of the *American Canadian Genealogist*. The cost of the ads would be \$20.00 per 1/4 page. The cover had been used to advertise our repertoires and articles for sale. These will now be on an insert to be put in the middle of each issue. Pauline suggested putting an ad for Addie Shield's in the next two issues. The board approved.

Pauline reminded the board about the meeting of the 5 New England societies in Woonsocket, R.I. on March 22, 1992.

Bob Paquette presented the copies of the business cards that his daughter Amy was designing for the board. The board members made changes and they were approved.

Spring
Conference

Pauline reported that she had written to Henri Bergevin asking him to speak at the Spring Conference. She expects to hear from him early in April. She has not heard from Mr. Chartier in response to her letter inviting him to speak at the conference.

Bob Paquette and Gerry Lalonde are preparing a seminar to familiarize new members with the library. They will explain the details of Jette and Tanguay and possibly PRDH. They would be available to substitute should one of the speakers be unavailable.

Connie Hamel is going to contact Robert LeBlanc at UNH as a possible speaker at the Fall Conference. He speaks on French Canadian Migration to New England.

Pauline also received a letter suggesting a Dr. John Moody who has done extensive research on the Missisquoi and St. Francois Odinack Indians.

The mailing for the conference has been scheduled for April 12, 1992.

EDITORIAL
BOARD

Pauline informed the board that issue #51 of the *American Canadian Genealogist* is almost ready to go to the printer within the next two weeks. Issue #52 is almost finished, this will make the publication an issue ahead.

LIBRARY
COMMITTEE

Pauline reported she had received a complaint about the filing system for family histories, family genealogies, etc.

Connie reported the newest batch of books had come back from the binder.

PUBLICATIONS

Al Hamel reported he met with Fr. Babineau about the N-D Canadien repertoire. He has given Al a copy of the introduction he has written for the repertoire. Roland Marchand is still working to get the repertoire ready for publication.

PUBLICITY

Ron Niquette reported he received a letter from the New England Roots Users Group in response to his letter. He had written them suggesting possible regional chapters. They stated they would prefer to have regional chapters. He is going to check further for more details.

RESEARCH
DEPARTMENT

Pauline Cote reported business was slow in the research department. There was discussion regarding the purchase of the Vermont Vital Records on microfilm. It was agreed to wait until they have more information and have seen the microfilm before they proceed with a purchase.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

Al informed the board that Open Borders was proceeding well and the dates are May 29-31, 1992. May 29th is Kids Day, they are expecting about 1200 school children from N. H. and Canada. Our group will be located in the shopping center near the of center of town. Al has been in contact with Mr. Yvan Fortin from the Ministry of Cultural Affairs in Quebec City about

speakers. He mentioned that the possibility of having different speakers this year. They will discuss this further over the next few weeks.

Quebec Week is being held in Manchester from April 21-25, 1992.

Al has contacted the Quebec Delegation in Quebec about obtaining the continuation copies of the Canadian Biographies. He has informed them of the copies we have in the library and is hopeful that they will supply the additional copies.

Larry Autotte was contacted about keeping the library open on Saturday, May 16, during the conference for people who are not attending the conference. After discussion it was decided to keep the library open but it will not be publicized.

Pauline asked for a volunteer for the nominating committee to present the slate of nominees for the Fall Conference. Roger Lawrence agreed to be the Parliamentary Advisor.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Gerry received a bill from the Ouellette Family Association and questioned whether we joined family associations. After some discussion, it was decided to ask them to exchange publications with us as we do with other family associations.

Roger Lawrence reminded the board that next September will be our 20th anniversary and we should be thinking about planning a celebration.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Arseneault
Recording Secretary