

ACGS
MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
05 OCTOBER 1995

CALL TO ORDER A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Thursday 05 October 1995 at the ACGS library. President Roger Lawrence called the meeting to order at 18:39.

ROLL CALL Lucille Lagassé and Roland Marchand were excused.

RECORDING SECRETARY The minutes of the 14 September 1995 meeting were reviewed. Gerry Nash moved that the minutes be filed as presented; Don Chaput seconded; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT Pauline Cusson: Received bill from Talbot — over \$400. After expenses from the fall conference, we netted approximately \$500. Some question as to the \$1,650.65 under "Income - Other" on p2 of the YTD summary report. Pauline would like to put at least \$2,000 on the loan. Gerry Nash has not yet been fully paid for the Jetté's he fronted. Roger Lawrence said that we would settle that account out of checking. Some discussion as to perhaps removing some categories from the net worth report. Don Chaput asked why the \$0.00 for BLDG FUND PLEDG under assets on the net worth report was even there — could it be deleted? Bob Maurier noted a discrepancy in the net income for the month and the difference between the past 2 months' net worth report. Ray Desfosses asked for clarification of item 18 on the income/expenditure statement — was this all for lawn cutting? Pauline said that a part of it was for plumbing work and cleaning supplies and the like. Don Chaput questioned the Bldg & Grounds category vs. the Building category under item 18 of the summary report. Pauline said that one of these was more "capital improvement". Gerry Nash suggested that, considering the poor condition of the books, Pauline "zero things out" and start a new set of books. She said she was planning on that at the end of the calendar year. Report to be filed for audit.

SOCIETY BUSINESS There were good reports on fall conference. Most thought that the facility was great and would like to have all future meetings here. There was a problem with vendor space. Roger Lawrence asked if we should have charged for the food. Bob Neveux said we should not miss an opportunity to gather income. Bob Maurier said we should not do another without a sound system. It's unfortunate

that the conference was neither audio nor video recorded. A Pro Tem Committee for next conference has been formed — Larry Autotte has agreed to chair.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Research: Joanne Lahr-Kreischer has agreed to work with Pauline Côté

Publications: Anne-Marie Perrault reported for Pauline Côté that the history of St Joseph (Laconia) is done - as much as is possible. Pauline Cusson reported on a person who could have the records from the Congregational Church in Hooksett.

Computers: Roland Marchand was not present to report. Judy Arseneault reported on some 286's and DMP's which she can have at no cost. We may be able to have a used, but operational, microfiche reader at no cost. Don Chaput offered to sell his PC to ACGS for \$200. Gerry Nash moved that we do it; Bob Neveux seconded; motion carried.

Membership: Judy Arseneault reported that we had 66 new memberships and 159 renewals this past month.

Building: Ray Desfosses said he will start the boiler Sunday. Bob St Cyr has shown interest in being on the Building Committee. Ray would like a CO detector for the boiler room. Anne-Marie will give him a household one. We should clean up the front of the building. Pauline asked if the one who does the lawn could get rid of the bags that are there. Still some question as to whether he had been compensated for his summer's work. We may need a fall contract. Pauline had voided the \$155 check which had been made out but not cashed. A Winston McCarty has expressed an interest in helping with building duties. Ray noted that Oct is Fire Safety month. Considerable discussion on things that can be done to improve our posture in this regard.

Editorial: Anne-Marie said that the Genealogist is at the printers and should be out around the 20th. She is now working on obituaries. Inputting will be done by Publications.

Library: Pauly Labbé reported that she had met with Mary Jeanne Colburn. Mary Jeanne would like to meet with Bob Maurier and Anne-Marie to become more familiar with the flow of things in the library. Mary Jeanne and Pauly talked about setting up an interlibrary loan program.

Acquisitions: Bob Maurier reported that orders sent out beginning of September are in — materials appear to be very good. Bob Maurier moved that we buy NH Vital Records; Bob Neveux seconded: motion carried. We have written permission for their release from the director of the N.H. Division of Public Health Services. Bob Neveux asked Bob Maurier how he sets priorities for

purchases. Bob Maurier said he generally buys repertoires first, then genealogies, family histories, etc. He always consults with the library board before making large purchases.

Inventory: Bob Neveux has taken a physical inventory of everything in the Library. The master list will be kept in Roger's right-hand drawer. Bob has not yet placed a dollar value on the items. Roger said that Al Hamel has offered to lend us his camcorder to record our possessions. Bob also plans to make an inventory of our publications.

Internet: Don Chaput distributed a report on ACGS OnLine Services. A fair amount of discussion as to on which services we should post. Also some on various BBS's. Some on publishing E-mail addresses of members. Roger read from a Nova Scotia genealogical publication where it was stated that they no longer issue membership cards. Should we do the same? Divided opinions on this.

Publicity: Roger said we need a publicity person for announcing our meetings, training sessions, etc. Bob Neveux said he'd be willing to give publicity a try — but not marketing. Roger knows an individual who could give some pointers. Bob would also like to speak to Gerry Lalonde

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Sound system: We could use a portable one. Anne-Marie said that these are rentable items. Roger posed the question whether it's more economical to rent or to own. Bob Maurier will check. Don Chaput offered a reel-to-reel tape player, part of which could be used for an amplifier.

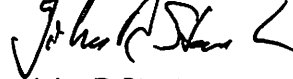
Fax system? Are we interested? Should we get a fax/modem? Would we have enough use for it?

Cleaning one room upstairs: Clean, have ceilings painted (Roland's son can do). Gerry Nash said that the ceilings could not be painted in their current condition. We could consider a hanging ceiling. Bob Maurier asked if it would be better to renovate more of the lower floor. Some talk about moving some of the metal lockers to our main floor.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 21:16. Next meeting to be held in the library on Thursday, 09 November 1995 beginning at 18:30.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R Stanton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John R Stanton

Recording Secretary