

AMERICAN-CANADIAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of the Meeting of the Officers and Board of Directors

May 13, 2004

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Don Chaput at 5:55 PM.

In attendance were Paul Lambert, Diane Thibault, Lorraine Huppe, Constance Hamel, Don Chaput and Norma Boyce.

Don had been asked by Marcel to preside over the meeting.

As there was not a quorum present, official business could not be voted on.

Treasurer's Reports

Paul Lambert furnished financial reports for the months of January, February, March and April 2004. A question arose of where the new microfilm readers were charged in the books. After discussion, it was learned they had been expensed, rather than capitalized. Paul said he would change that. It was also requested that Paul provide financials that would also show year-to-date amounts. He agreed. It was further agreed that we'd all review the financials and ask questions at next month's meeting.

Conference Committee:

Diane Thibault gave a report on the Spring Workshops. She said they had been a great success.

Paul Lambert inquired about Roger Lanctot. Paul said he knew Roger would be unavailable for ACGS during May, but had anyone else heard anything further regarding Roger's absence.

Paul said Bob Neveux was helping with Inventory Control.

Minutes to the March and April 2004 meeting were approved.

Library Board:

Connie Hamel stated that there was no coordination with the books being sent to the bindery. She said stuff is coming back from the binders with 3 different copies with 3 different colors. She was told that the blue binders were those books belonging to David Bonitabus, and that Marcel was the person who had taken stuff to the bindery. She said she would talk to Marcel in hopes of establishing some sort of a system.

Connie said she would try to establish a buddy system to facilitate in teaching people how to use the new printer/reader. She mentioned people were having trouble with it.

Connie also said that the "Suggestion Box" will be implemented again.

Membership:

Report submitted

Paul reported that the insurance company had been into ACGS that day to review the water-damage materials and that they had taken pictures. Paul said the damaged materials could now be removed. Paul explained that we have two insurances. One Beacon Street insures our materials. The other, Peerless Insurance, insures the State's materials. The agent is Chase and Durand.

Conversation followed about the renewal of the lease with the State of New Hampshire.

Don Chaput mentioned that the Franco American Centre was having a cruise in March 2005 for a cost of about \$600 for 7 days. Don gave Connie Hamel flyers to put up in the library.

It was also stated that French classes would be conducted on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9 AM for about 5 to 6 weeks. These classes would be held downstairs, and the "book sales area" would need to be rearranged to accommodate the classes.

Don Chaput mentioned that ACGS has the opportunity to place an ad in the Franco American Centre's booklet that is going to cover their 3 summer events. Cost of the ad would be \$75.00. Conversation followed and it was agreed that any ad should be general in content, rather than focus on a single event, like the fall conference. Diane Thibault suggested that Don Chaput and Connie Hamel work on the ad together.

Don announced that he was making the decision as acting president to place the ad, and asked Paul Lambert to make him out a check before leaving that evening.

Connie Hamel stated that we should think about putting an ad in the major newspapers, possibly on the obituary page.

Don Chaput suggested that ACGS consider purchasing a \$100 raffle ticket for the Richleau Club fundraiser. No action was taken.

Diane Thibault stated that the Harriman reunion would not be held at the ACGS because of a change in plans.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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