

**Annual Meeting  
Minutes  
September 29, 2007**

President Gerard Savard called the meeting to order at 3PM.

Minutes of the October 21, 2006 Annual Meeting were read by Anne Gleason. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Julie Smith and seconded by Anne Gleason. Motion carried unanimously.

President Savard highlighted the Treasurer's Report and activities in various committees and departments.

\$105,196.07 down \$24,000 from previous year. Total expenses were \$87,536.16 due to unexpected building maintenance repairs that were necessary.

**Membership** brings in revenue of \$51,470 that represents about 50% of the total revenue. Building maintenance makes up for a large part of our expenses. Membership is slightly lower this year, however, 32% of our membership applications are a result of our web site. We continue to look for ways to attract new members.

**Library Director:** MaryAnna Paquette stepped up and accepted the position as well as that of Volunteer Coordinator and is doing an excellent job.

**Drouin Digitalized Films:** A balance of \$8,000 remains on the loan of \$80,000 and is expected to be paid in full by next Fall.

**Research Department:** Doing very well (\$7,860) with a large portion of that revenue being Drouin.

**Publications:** RP107 is at the printers. Reps from MA, NY and NH are in the queue. We have given our publication business to Bridgeport Bindery and are pleased with the finished product. The reps on CD are selling very well.

**ACGS Web Site:** Has grown substantially over the past three years. Nicole Pennell can no longer maintain the web site due to various family and personal commitments. President Savard commended Nicole for her excellent work. Shane Laprade has agreed to update and maintain the web site.

**Computer Committee:** This committee continues to function effectively. There have been some repeated glitches but this seems to have been overcome.

**Acquisitions:** Larry Autotte is very active in obtaining reps from various societies. Membership to NEHGS has given us access to MA Vitals (1850 – 1910) on line.

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The Board of Directors called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the 2006 Annual Meeting were read by Anne Clifton. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Julie Smith and seconded by Anne Clifton. Motion carried unanimously.

Investment Review highlighted the Treasurer's Report and activities in various countries and the minutes.

Total expenses were \$27,800 for the year. Total expenses were \$27,800 for the year. Total expenses were \$27,800 for the year.

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Julie Smith stepped up and accepted the position as chair of the Board of Directors and is doing an excellent job.

A balance of \$2,000 remains on the loan of \$20,000 and is expected to be paid in full by next fall.

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Having no further business or questions, President Savard asked that the meeting be adjourned.

Anne Gleason made the motion, seconded by Joseph Boudreau.

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Constance Bernier-Hébert  
Acting Recording Secretary

**Goals for the Future:** Once the Drouin loan is paid in full, the Society will look into replacing the windows as they are a source of heat loss and cause the A/C units to work much harder. We also need to upgrade the electrical wiring. A drop ceiling should be installed on the second floor to, again, to preserve the heat in the winter and cool more efficiently during the summer months. The walls on the second floor, because of the patching that was done this past year, need to be repainted. Our Society facility is 50+ years and there are many areas that are in need of repair.

There has been discussion about having the "Genealogist" available electronically in a PDF format. This publication is quite costly but is a very necessary tool for the Society.

David Bonitatibus again thanked everyone who volunteers in the Publication Department and emphasized that more volunteers are needed for the Manchester location.

**Nominating Committee:** Julie Smith, Chair, presented the Proposed Slate of Officers for the year 2008 as follows:

**President:** Gerard Savard

**Vice President:** Robert Paquette

**Treasurer:** Pauline Cusson

**Corresponding Secretary:** Lorette Leafé

**Recording Secretary:** Muriel Normand

**DIRECTORS:** Term expiring 2009

James Gaudet

Paul Lambert

John Cooke

Denis Joyal

**DIRECTORS:** Term expiring 2008

Anne Gleason

Constance Hebert

Julie Smith

Jackie Watson

Motion to accept the slate of officers as presented as made by Pauline Cote and seconded by Gilles Auger. Motion carried unanimously

President Savard welcomed the new Board Members. He also thanked Paul Lambert, Lorraine Huppe, Roger Lanctot and Jeanne Boisvert, whose terms expired 2007, for their support and help.

**Treasurer's Report:** Pauline Cusson gave a brief summary of the Report, highlighting some of the major expenses and income sources. Anne Gleason made the motion that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit, seconded by Julie Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments were entertained from the audience regarding having outside vendors at the Fall Conference, fixing the date for the Conference, etc.

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