

ACGS Board of Directors Meeting

21 March, 2010

Call to Order: 10:10 a.m.

Present: Bernadette Munier, Julie Smith, Jeanne Boisvert, Lorette Leafe, Muriel Normand, Constance Hébert, Jackie Watson, John Cooke, Denis Joyal, Dan Champagne, Pauline Cusson, Gerry Savard

Excused: Jim Gaudet

Guest: John Fisher from the Vermont Genealogical Society.

Minutes reviewed and accepted by Julie, seconded by Muriel.

Report of Officers:

- Treasurer's report filed for audit.
- Correspondence: Electronic
- Membership: Electronic
 - The implementation of the new system is ready and will work out the bugs.
- President's Report: Gerry read a letter stating that ACGS was named as a beneficiary in someone's Last Will & Testament. We will be advised of the amount at a later date.

Committee Reports:

- Shipping: None
 - Publication: Electronic
 - Acquisitions: None
 - Muriel will look into purchasing a book published by Lucie Consentino & Pauline D'Entremont.
 - Building/Grounds/Safety: None
 - Computer: None
 - Research Services: Electronic
 - Web Site: None
 - Library: Electronic
 - Jeanne and Jackie have agreed to Co-Chair the Library Directorship.
 - Jeanne reported that she will set up 2 Sunday's in April as training sessions for the Librarians in using the new Registration program.
 - Jeanne reported that the refrigerator in the lunch room has a continuous drip and inquired if it would be cheaper to purchase a smaller refrigerator.
- † Julie made a motion to purchase a smaller refrigerator for a maximum \$300 and that it be delivered and the old one removed. Seconded by Bernadette. Jeanne and Jackie will look into it.
- Robyn reported that the librarians would like to do something for Mary Anna Separate from the Board on the 1st Sunday in May, 2010.
- † Julie made a motion to allocate a maximum of \$150.00 for refreshment for a gathering of the Librarians for Mary Anna Paquette. Seconded by Constance.

Old Business:

- Vermont Genealogy Society Visit:

John Fisher explained to us how they use cameras to copy Church Records as oppose to copying them. He said we would need a camera which can be purchased for under \$200.00. He will send us instructions on the procedure. It was suggested that we purchase a camera and copy the records of Sacred Heart and use it as an example and an opportunity to work out any bugs. We have options to the type of data base we would use. John said they use Bridgeport for their reprints. Gerry will check prices with them.

- Translation of Publications Letter:

It was suggested that we ask Bob Fournier as he is proficient in French.

New Business:

- Visit from Canadian Tour group:

During the April Librarian training sessions Jeanne will recruit bilingual librarians to assist when the Canadian group is here.

- NERGC-ACGS booth:

There was a discussion on having a booth at NERGC and it was agreed that it would be difficult and expensive to have volunteers because of the distance to travel to Springfield and the expense to stay there if they cannot attend the classes. It was agreed that we would not have a booth.

- Spring Conference:

The date is set for April 24, 2010. There was a discussion on who can be asked to speak in our member pool.

- Frank Binette:

Pauline proposed a plaque for Frank in his memory for the donations that he made over the years to ACGS.

† Motion was made by Muriel and seconded by Julie to get a plaque for Frank Binette. Lorette will look into getting that done.

Open Discussion:

It was reported to look into Bay Ring as a new carrier for our phone service.

She reported that this company is fairly new but has been in the area for awhile

The existing equipment would stay and we could see a saving up to \$1,000/yr.

Pauline will check into the details.

Motion to adjourn at 12:30 made by Julie and seconded by Constance.

Respectfully submitted:

Jeanne Boisvert

Recording Secretary