

ACGS BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

February 21, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 10:00 a.m. by President Jim Gaudet

IN ATTENDANCE: *Jim Gaudet; Bernadette Meunier; Pauline Cusson; Jeanne Boisvert; Denis Joyal; Cécile Durocher; Arlene Labrie; Larry Autotte; Mel Montpelier; Janine Penfield, Jackie Watson, Gerry Lalonde*

Excused Absence: *Paula Schulz;*

Review/Approval of January minutes:

Motion by Larry to accept the minutes, and seconded by Bernadette: Motion carried

- **PRESIDENT'S REPORT :**

Jim reported receiving an e-mail from the Trois-Rivières Society asking if we would be willing to exchange repertoires. After further discussion it was agreed that would not be to our advantage. Larry will contact them and see if they would exchange for Croteau's books.

- **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Pauline reported that we have met our commitment by paying ourselves back the money we spent in Oct 2012 for the restoration of the outside of our building.

A discussion of what to do with the \$1500, CD St. Mary's Bank, we have. It was agreed to transfer the money to our checking account.

A motion was made by Jackie to transfer the CD \$ to our checking account if there is less than a \$100.00 penalty, seconded by Cécile. Motion unanimously approved

Motion made by Larry and seconded by Bernadette to accept Treasurer's report for audit.

Pauline also discussed the problem with picking up the mail. Paula has been doing it but she has been ill. Cécile offered to pick it up on Monday's when she comes to the library and Pauline will pick it a second time. Jim will talk to Paula and will get her key.

- **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- **MEMBERSHIP:** Electronically sent

Kevin Grooms has the ~~format~~ for membership form and will ~~be playing with it so it can eventually be put on our web-site so people can renew their membership through our web-site.~~ work on getting it ready for on-line. Janine stated that she will promote membership in the newsletter. Bernadette will create another data base with member names & # so it can be looked at from our web-site.

The goal is to eliminate mailing of renewals, saving the cost of supplies and postage.

- **PUBLICATIONS:**

Pauline reported that we have 20 of Roger Lawrence's books left out of 100. We paid ourselves back with the sale of the first 50 copies. A discussion ensued on the changes that have been made available since the first publication. Do we make an addendum or just include the change into a 2nd Edition? Pauline agreed to make a write-up on the changes and it can be put on face-book for those who have already purchased the book. She also suggested that we encourage people to contact us if they know of additions or corrections. Jim suggested we go ahead with the 2nd edition as long as Pauline is willing to do the work to get it published.

- **BUILDING/GROUNDS/SAFETY:**

Jim said that we should know who is using the building and when. Jackie will contact Constance Hébert and Peter Vatney, as they use the upstairs rooms.

- **COMPUTERS:**

Jim reported that we have 98 licenses for Microsoft Office, but it does not include Access. Gerry recommends we add Windows 10 while it is free.

- **RESEARCH SERVICES:**

Muriel presented works done on Chartmaster. She passed around several sheets that were done on this web-site, aside from names & dates, pictures were added. A discussion on Catherine de Baillon: Up to the 25th generation the data is correct after that the data is in question. It has not been adequately proven or disproven. It cannot be used if someone wants to be accepted into the Order of Charlemagne.

- **WEBSITE:**

See Computers

- **LIBRARY :**

The office copier was repaired and is in working condition. Jeanne was asked to contact Charlene at the Back-Room and make sure the contract we sent her for the Fall Conference was valid and inquire into the use or cost to use the extra room Also she was asked to contact Conway, who maintains our library copier regarding the use and/or charge if the by-pass key is used. Cécile asked if the cameras in the library were working and Jim replied that they were working and being maintained.

- **COMMUNITY- EDUCATION- OUTREACH:**

Old BUSINESS:

NH Library Renewal Contract: NH State Library contract is up June 30th 2017 rather than 2016. Jim will contact them and offer them an out with no penalty if they would prefer to get out of their contract in 2016, since we do not intend to offer them a contract extension.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elaine Hamel came before the board and requested the use of the patch of grass (dirt) between the street and the parking lot and the walkway to be used for raised beds. She

would like to teach some gardening of vegetables and/or flowers to her girls to make them aware of where our food comes from. The question raised was how she would water the garden? The best suggestion was for her to hook a hose in the downstairs bathroom. She also reported that she has a photographer who would like to do a photo shoot of the facilities downstairs and Elaine wanted to make sure it was OK with us. Approval for both projects was unanimously approved.

- **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn made by Gerry and seconded by Bernadette
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Respectfully submitted,

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