


Genealogical Society of Okaloosa County

Meeting Minutes

GSOC Meeting:	2021_08_28
Call to Order:	10:30 am
Attendees:	12 people
Presidents Report: (Margaret Harris)	<p>Margaret showed a copy of the NWF Daily News (Aug 20,2021) with GSOC member Val Moreland on the front page of the NWF Daily News volunteering at Meals on Wheels.</p> <p>Blue Box will be passed around donations are appreciated. This started as a donation for books to the library and we may change it. Margaret welcomed new member Andrea Ryan.</p>
Membership Report: (Jodie Biles)	62 members (3 new members from last month)
Programs Report: (Jodie Biles)	<p>The membership would like to see paid speakers. We need to find resources for paid speakers.</p> <p>Possible topics suggested were England and Confederate graves (Margaret may have a contact). Also. Family Tree Maker will do a virtual presentation all agreed it's a good idea.</p> <p>Sept – Will either be Family Tree Maker or the Military Research. If we cannot find a speaker then we will play Part 2 of the AL research which is Military Research.</p>
Recording Secretary: (Barbara Bethea)	Approval of July 2021 Minutes – the minutes cannot be approved because there was no newsletter and they were not sent to the membership. We will need to send these out in the future possibly with the meeting announcement.
Corresponding Secretary: (Donna Elliott)	<p>Donna sends out notices to the local newspapers, local libraries, other local societies. She didn't have a flyer this month about the presentation. We need to get a template – Phil sent out an email asking for one but got no response. Ed was asked but did not have a template. We will need to work on this.</p> <p>Donna sent a thank you note to Eppi thanking her for serving as the Newsletter Editor.</p> <p>Donna introduced a returning member Bob Loomis.</p> <p>A previous member Mary Skillman passed on Aug 8, 2021. Mary also gave several presentations to GSOC. Donna will send a sympathy card from the GSOC members.</p>

<p>Treasurer: (Phil Hoge by email)</p>	<p>Financial Report for board meeting: Blue Box -----\$901.82 Treasury -----\$921.47 Total -----\$1823.29</p> <p>During this period, we had one expense to reimburse Phil Hoge for zoom payment from his account (\$14.99) and a Blue Box donation of \$17.00 made at the July 24, 2021, regular meeting.</p> <p>We will be looking into Blue Box money and where to spend it. Margaret suggested we join The National Genealogy Society as a group Barbara moved and Phil seconded. All were in favor – we will use Blue Box money to join. Phil will get the information on this and join for us.</p>
<p>Newsletter:</p>	<p>We need a newsletter editor. We will send out the minutes with the meeting notice until we get an editor.</p>
<p>Website: (Jim Young)</p>	<p>Not present.</p>
<p>Sig Reports:</p>	<p>All SIG's are on hold. 23&Me - Jodie - 1st Monday 6pm, will suspend until someone contacts her. Family Search - Margaret - 3rd Wednesday 6pm is on hold for now.</p> <p>In place of these members might want to consider: Niceville Senior Center is now open on Fridays from 10am-12pm for Genealogy help on Family Search. LDS is running it. FWB Family History Center is also open Thursday 10am – 4pm and Saturday 10am – 1pm. Margaret will send out a list of what is available by email.</p>
<p>Presentation:</p>	<p>Beverly Vee Phillips Gross – her book “Who Are Those Ancestors of Mine?”</p>
<p>Questions Asked:</p>	<p>Many questions were asked.</p>
<p>Meeting Adjourned:</p>	<p>Business Meeting over at 11:00 am. Presentation over at 11:35 am.</p>
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