

To: Louise Caccamise

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Subject: Board agenda

Hello Louise,

If you agree I would like to have four items placed on the agenda.

1) Jim Nichols and myself have been downloading and preserving (on the GenRm computer) both the DB N-J and the Beacon's digital editions. Although DB N-J is archived on Newsbank the most important part, for our purposes, are the obituaries which are NOT INCLUDED in the Newsbank archive, nor are any photos. The Beacon keeps their back editions on the web site but one never knows when that practice might end.

As long as Jim and I are here to maintain the project everything is fine but I would think that the Society would want to make it a permanent project. That would require (after I've gone) a subscription to the DB N-J and to the Beacon Online and some computer expertise. [Perhaps a Chairman for newspaper archives?]

2) I propose that we obtain the microfilm of the DB N-J to fill in the period where there was no newspaper covering West Volusia. I've asked Brook White for a count of the number of microfilm rolls that entails but have had no reply to date. (see next) I spoke with ProQuest and I believe she quoted \$250 per roll. I've misplaced my notes for that conversation, I'll try to bring accurate information to the meeting.

3) Brook White has requested a copy of the Brownell Collection. Although the DVDs have never been verified and polished I propose that we give him a copy marked "WORK IN PROGRESS." [I believe he has not responded to #2 because of a lack of positive response to #3.]

4) Since the library now has wireless I would like to see us have a wireless card installed in the GenRm computer giving internet access on that computer for club business, such things as #1 above. Access could be restricted to Society officers if necessary although there are no restrictions for people bringing their personal computers to the library.

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