

Muskogee County Genealogical Society  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Directors  
August 19, 2013

Present: Alissa Hill, Linda Stout, Nancy Lasater, Jere Harris, Mary Downing and Bill and Collotta Bailey.

Secretary

The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Editor

Nancy Lasater is working on the next edition of the Quarterly.

Museum

No report.

Library

No report.

Research

No report.

Publications

No report.

Old Business

There was discussion concerning the members at large and standing committees described in our revised by-laws. Summary:

Research Committee – Barbara will chair this committee since she is in charge of research requests at the present time. This committee will also handle the First Families applications.

Publications Committee – Nancy Lasater will chair with the stipulation that she will work on the Quarterly only.

Education Committee – Nancy Calhoun will chair pending her acceptance. This committee will include reserving speakers for meetings, workshops, etc. Collotta said she would help with this also.

Public Relations Committee – Jere will take care of putting notices in the newspaper and other actions concerning upcoming events.

All of the above chairs will serve until the end of the 2013 when new officers will be nominated and elected for the following year.

The FGS has reviewed our by-Laws and made several comments. A copy is attached to these minutes. Following is a summary of the board's discussion:

1. No comment
2. A new article will be added to show Robert's Rules of Order as our parliamentary authority – we will not appoint a parliamentarian
3. No comment
4. A new article will be added to rephrase our objectives according to FGS suggestions
5. The standing committees as described in the by-laws will remain unchanged
6. Dues shall become past due February 1 of each year and those unpaid members will be removed from the active membership roster
7. An audit committee and nominating committee will be added to the standing committee list
8. The date of revision and acceptance of the by-laws will be shown at the bottom of the page for future reference
9. The officers' duties will be defined as those described in Robert's Rules of Order

Mary will revise the bylaws according to our discussion and bring them to the next general meeting for distribution. A vote by the membership will be taken in October.

Alissa and Sue met and discussed the new website. Sue has set it up and moved a portion of the data from the old site to the new one. It was agreed to set up a meeting between the board and Sue to discuss what we all can do to bring the site up-to-date and continue to add new data. Alissa will advise everyone of the date and time of the meeting. It was also agreed to pay Sue for her out-of-pocket expense in purchasing the new domain. The new address is: [www.muskogeecountygenealogicalsociety.org](http://www.muskogeecountygenealogicalsociety.org).

Discussion of the scholarship and First Families applications was tabled until the next meeting.

### New Business

The Society will have a 30<sup>th</sup> birthday party on Saturday, September 28 for our September meeting. Jere will make sure we have a room reserved. Invitations will go in

the mail the first week in September to the membership and special friends. We will also invite the Fort Gibson Genealogical Society.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.