

Muskogee County Genealogical Society  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Directors  
October 24, 2016

Present: Nancy Calhoun, Bill Bailey, Collotta Bailey, Nancy Lasater, Mary Downing, Floretta Leatherman, Sue Tolbert, Barbara Downs, Carol Payne, Jere Harris and Linda Stout.

President

Nancy called the meeting to order. The September meeting was cancelled due to a mixup with the speaker.

Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with no corrections.

Treasurer

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Museum

No report.

Library

Nancy has placed a large book order for the collection. Virginia Perry's daughter donated part of their book collection to the library and Nancy will send the family a sympathy card. Nancy went to the book sale at the Tulsa Genealogical Society and bought several books for the collection along with duplicate issues of various Quarterly publications.

Research

Nothing new to report. Nancy filled a request on behalf of the society.

## Editor

Nancy is putting together the last Quarterly. She has tendered her resignation from the Editor position.

## Old Business

The speaker for the October meeting will be Bonnie Hutchinson who will talk on various genealogy programs available. The November meeting will be Robert Pulse speaking on organization. December 8 will be the annual Christmas party. We will try to get Greg Boyd of Arphax maps to speak after the first of the year. Deborah Spindle will speak on basic DNA after the first of the year also. We may try to have a speaker on advanced DNA later in the year.

## New Business

Nancy Calhoun is putting together a questionnaire for the members. It will include places to comment about volunteering, programs, becoming an officer, etc.

Bill, Linda and Mary will become the Nominating Committee for 2017 officers.

The Christmas Party will be December 8. Linda will get poinsettias for table decorations and door prizes. Nancy has other door prizes including a RootsMagic program. Sue will ask Michael Dunn to provide entertainment. Nancy will check with Sizzlin Bones BBQ. There might be games also. It was suggested to invite the Fort Gibson and Tahlequah genealogical societies.

Bill asked about ways to bring in more income. Sue suggested a workshop, possibly about DNA, to be held on a Saturday. Rick Fogarty from Oklahoma City could be asked to give 2 or 3 lectures. The following were also suggested: ancestor fair, promoting the First Families and possibly printing a booklet with members' information, and republishing the cookbook.

We talked about publicizing our meetings and events. Nancy can contact the Eufaula and Checotah libraries through the EODLS system. Floretta mentioned that the Haskell News is always looking for material to print so community newspapers might be an option also. It was also suggested to reach out to Pryor and Wagoner.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00.