

GFGS General Annual Meeting November 12, 2020

Larry Spicer called the meeting to order. Minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. Jan Thomson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Linda Long seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed (See Attached) Jan Thomson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Cande Recke seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved. Cheryl has removed all but \$25 petty cash from the Library and place it in the Bank until we reopen. Cheryl also reported that we have received \$15 from Amazon Smile this past quarter and reminded members that 1% of their Amazon Smile purchases can go to any chosen charity. She also presented that the 2021 budget remain the same as it was this year. Jan Thomson moved to keep the 2021 budget the same the 2020 budget, with Pat Wardinsky seconding. The motion was unanimously approved.

Membership

Ann Dues reported the following membership numbers for those who have paid for 2021. Lifetime members – 5 single & 3 joint; Annual members – 56 single & 13 joint. This brings the total to 77 memberships with 93 individuals. Ann projects a decrease in membership for due to everything that had to be canceled this year, with an estimate of around 150. She will send out a reminder to those who have not paid and Linda Long will put a reminder in the monthly newsletter.

Acquisitions Committee

Larry Spicer presented the Acquisitions Report. (See attached). No books were recommended for purchase. Cheryl Lucas moved to accept the report with Jan seconding. The motion was unanimously approved.

Publication / Publicity

Jan Thomson has completed and published the School Census (1898. 1899 and 1911) and will be placed by the City Directories. It will also be put on our website.

Research

Jan Thomson continues to do research from home for members. She had one request from a non-member and pointed him in the correct direction on Ancestry. There was no income. Jan is setting up a Zoom Meeting for Wednesday AM for those interested in any research help.

Projects

1. O'Connor Funeral home records that have been scanned up to 1935 and will be indexed from the scans. Jan will be checking with them to get additional records to scan. Carol Byerly is finding death certificates for those we have scanned.

2. Jan has published the Great Falls / Cascade Co. deaths from 1884 to 1906.

Tech Committee

The Library Master List has been sent to Past Perfect Conversions to get a quote on how much it will cost to download to our system. The video link of our October speaker – Rev. Bob Skinner – has been put on our website for those who would like to view it.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- 1.) Nominations for the 2021 Board are as follows: President – Larry Spicer; Vice President – Jan Thomson; Secretary – Ann Dues; Treasurer – Cheryl Lucas; Board member – Diane Krole (replacing Jerry Clark). As there are no “multiple” nominations for any position, the Board can be elected by acclimation. Ann Dues moved to install the nominated Board members by acclimation with Cheryl Lucas seconding. Acclimation was unanimous.
- 2.) Ann Dues was announced as the Volunteer of the Year. (See Attached announcement)

There being no further business the GFGS Annual General Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Ann Dues Secretary