

GFGS General Meeting October 14, 2021

Larry called the meeting to order. Minutes from the last meeting, May 13, 2021 (see attached) were reviewed. Jan Thomson moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Cheryl Lucas seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. (See Attached). Ann Dues moved to accept the report as presented. Jan Thomson seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Research

There was \$112.82 income in September from research.

Acquisitions Committee

Larry presented the Acquisitions Report. (See attached). Jan Thomson moved that we approve the acquisitions report along with the book recommended for purchase. Carole Ann Clark seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Publication / Publicity

1. Jan Thomson has accepted the honor of creating a 1-hour program (Webinar) for Family Search on "researching genealogy in Montana". As this came as a recommendation from the state genealogy council leaders, she will donate the money to the state organization.
2. Jan is also continuing her Zoom educational programs as time allows. She will present Dowager Rites next Wednesday.

Membership

Ann Dues reported the following membership numbers for those who have paid for 2022. Lifetime memberships – 6 single & 4 joint. Annual memberships – 36 single & 3 joint. This brings the total for those who have paid for next year to 49 memberships with 56 individuals.

Tech Committee

Linda Long had nothing to report.

Projects

1. The O'Connor Funeral Records scanning project is continuing.
2. Glenn Jeffery and Diane Green have completed the Hillcrest Lawn Mausoleum cremation records which are now on the administrative computer. They are currently working on boxing the physical records.
3. Diane Kriol is working on indexing school census book. Thank you, Diane, for tackling this large project.

4. Cheryl Lucas has been working on our maps. She is putting them into Past Perfect and placing the folding maps into archival boxes and is waiting for boxes to file the large flat maps we have.
5. Volunteers are working on an Inventory of the records we hold for Cascade County.

Old Business:

1. Cheryl reminded everyone about the Amazon wish list on Amazon Smile. It is for items that the Society needs / wants and can post on the web site. Members (or anyone else) can then purchase items for the society. Instructions are purchasing items are in the latest newsletter.
2. The new printer stand was purchased by Jan and Bob Thomson as a memorial to Donna Walberg. There will be a plaque attached to the stand to that effect.

New Business:

- 1.) The annual general meeting that is usually a potluck, will be via Zoom November 11 due to the COVID-19 surge.
- 2.) Larry asked for suggestions for Volunteer of the Year award.
- 3.) The proposed standing rule for an annual computer replacement program was presented. (See attached) After discussion, Cheryl Lucas moved to accept the proposed standing rule with Ann Dues seconding. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 4.) There has been a request from the Public Library to move our office space across the hall from its current location. They have new tenants who need that office space. It was agreed to move and that this will give us an opportunity to "clean up" un-needed items.

Braggs and Birthdays were presented.

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

The meeting was followed by a presentation from Jan Thomson on "Finding Places Relevant to a particular location" by using a data base of Historical Markers. www.hmdb.org

Respectfully, Ann Dues Secretary