

*MINUTES OF
THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING, MONDAY 7 April 1997
Damaris Reynold's Home*

The meeting was called to order by Gene Kelsey, President. Minutes of the March board meeting were read and approved

Program:

- *Judy Junteng... will give a presentation on the resources available at the Benton Historical Society for the genealogist.
- *In May, Dan Froelich will present German ancestry.
- *June will be our picnic.

Treasurer's Report:

- *Our current balance is \$1,544.25 for the period ending 31 March 1997.
- *Gene submitted a quarterly report.

Library/Book Committees:

- *The society has received a gift of 17 books from the family of Etta Hughes. Most of the books pertain to Scottish research. We will sell the books that are duplicates of what the library has. We will offer those books to our membership first.

Merchandising:

- *We will have our spring garage sale on May 3. We will need volunteers and additional sale items.
- *We sold a few books and odds and ends at our genealogy class.

Queries:

- *Maybelle has responded to all the past queries. She has a new query which seeks information on a past OSU English teacher, Loren Burton Baldwin.

Membership:

- *We have 11 new members. Ten of the new members joined as a result of our genealogy class.

Newsletter:

- *Besides reviewing our next newsletter, Ed shared his thoughts about our recent genealogy class. The turnout was great and there are enough individuals to have a second class. The board agreed to May 17 for the next beginning genealogy class.
- *Ed would like the group to consider sponsoring an intermediate class.

Service Projects:

- *The Finney Project has been completed.

New Business:

- *There are many members who are skilled and have specialized areas of study who could help answer questions. It was suggested we have a helpers/mentors to assist others doing research at our library when it is open. We don't want to have a committee. We do want to know who are specialist are and would they be willing to share their time and knowledge. No decision was made.

The next meeting will be 5 May 1997

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Crawford
Secretary