

**MINUTES OF  
THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, 6 January 1997**  
*Dameris Reynold's Home*

The meeting was called to order by Gene Kelsey, President. Minutes of the ~~September~~ <sup>December</sup> board meeting were read and approved.

**Program:**

This Saturday, Joanne Perry will give a presentation on maps as they relate to genealogy.

Next month a video will be shown.

**Host/Hostess:**

Judy was absent.

**Treasurer's Report:**

As of 31 December 1996, our current balance is \$2,193.02.

**Library:**

There is no new report since the library has been closed through the holidays.

**Book Committee:**

The committee hasn't met for a while. They plan to meet in February.

The committee would like a memo put in the newsletter about what area of research or specific books members would like the committee to purchase this year.

**Merchandising:**

The Christmas sale was very successful. We earned \$481. Now it is time to think about our spring garage sale.

**Queries:**

One request asks for the name of the Sweet Home Indians.

Another request is asking for information on the Hall, Peck, Nash and Wallace families.

An obituary showed Mary Pepper died in 1989.

Maybelle shared the ancestors article from the current *Parade* in the Sunday Gazette-Times newspaper.

**Membership:**

As of today, membership includes 48 singles and 19 families.

Our membership is down and Danell plans to send a letter to unpaid members to please renew.

**Newsletter:**

Ed outlined what will be going in the next newsletter.

The logo has changed.

Ed has taped the first *Ancestors* program on OPB and he has the Web page information that goes along with the program.

**Service Projects:**

The work on the Finncy papers has slowed down because of the holidays.

On April 3 the genealogy class will start. The teachers will be meeting to discuss their presentations.

We will try to get a group together to go up to the forum to hear Larry Jensen's program on German research.

**Unfinished Business:**

Pat Coolican gave a report and recommendations from the budget committee. Please see the attached report. In the future, there needs to be a more precise or perhaps a better understanding of the financial figures the committee is working with. The financial view the committee worked with and the view given in the treasurers report caused frustration.

**New Business:**

Danell will chair the Web page committee and along with Jonathan Cardozo will create a web page.

The Walport Historical Society is "firing up". They will be open every weekend.

The Federation of Genealogy Society will meet in Texas, September 3-6.

The next meeting will be in 3 February, 1997

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Crawford, Secretary