

*MINUTES OF  
THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, 6 MAY 1996  
Jean Grube's Home*

The meeting was called to order by President Bielman. Minutes of the April board meeting were read and approved.

**Members Present:**

Ken Bielman, Judy Beals, Leila Crawford, Ron Edwards, Jean Grube, Ed Stratton, Danell Aukerman and Maybelle Marchting.

**Treasurer's Report:**

As of April 30, 1996, the current balance is \$973.54  
Ken is seeking a process for handling the invoices.

**Program:**

We will watch a new video from the library on naturalization.

**Host/Hostess:**

We will have a sign up sheet for next fall at our general meeting.

**Book Committee:**

The book committee met and decided to buy additional books on Pennsylvania.

**Library:**

Quite a few new books have arrived.  
The committee couldn't find any books that are commemorative of the charter members.  
Three new videos won't be checked out until after they are shown.  
The library could be open one night with the right volunteer.

**Merchandising:**

Jean's garage is filling up with donations. Volunteers are still needed.  
It was suggested we sell coupon books. Ken is testing a sample book. The board will look into this money making project next fall.

**Queries:**

Maybelle has talked with Robert Lewis, who is writing a book *Coon's Tale*. Some of his family are the Coon's, Gibb's and Anderson's. Ken saw the same inquiry on the Internet.

**Newsletter:**

Ed shared what is going in the newsletter and asked if there were any additions.  
Ed also shared Gene Kelsey had a heart attack Thursday and had five artery by passes on Sunday.

**Membership:**

Four new and one family have been added since last month.

**Unfinished Business:**

We keep getting notices from the Historical Society to renew. Ken will talk with Bill Lewis about the misunderstanding.  
We would like to have our library books insured. Ken is trying to get quotes.

**New Business:**

A course at LBCC indicates a field trip to the society, yet no one has been contacted.  
Ken shared what is available on the Internet.  
The census records after 1920 is available.

The next meeting will be June 3, 1996 at Dameris Reynold's home.

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Crawford, Secretary