

Idaho Genealogical Society Board of Directors Meeting  
Held at the Idaho State Historical Public Archives and Research Library  
2205 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, Idaho

Those in attendance at the meeting on Saturday, June, 13, 2009 at 12 Noon were:

Renae Beal  
Shelly Kuther  
David Blackwell  
Bonnie Fuller  
Mary O'Malley  
Thel Pearson  
Laila Suter  
Kate Fredericksen  
Peggy Shroll, guest. Welcome!!

**\*Review/Approval of minutes of recent meetings:**

**NOTE:** Motioned for approval by Bonnie Fuller and seconded by Renae Beal. Minutes taken by Secretary, Kate Fredericksen, from the meetings of April 18, 2009 and February 21, 2009 approved and accepted by all. These two meetings dealt primarily with the DNA Conference held May 9, 2009.

**\*Review financial report:**

Financial report for May, 2009 by Treasurer Laila Suter reviewed. The Double Tree, Juvanne Martin, and Renae Beal's debts owed are not represented within the May, 2009 financial report. One-half of the profits from the conference are still owed to our co-sponsor the Idaho Historical Society.

**NOTE:** Motion made by Laila Suter for a refund policy be stated on all future events held by IGS. Conversation related to having a "donation to IGS" rather than a refund be placed on future refund policies also. Seconded by Mary O'Malley. Approved by all.

**\*New Business: NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The nominating committee shall consist of Shelly Kuther, Renae Beal and Kate Fredericksen. Shelly Kuther will chair the committee. The new bylaws will be reviewed by this committee to insure accuracy in implementation of Nominating Committee requirements. September 2009 is the goal date for nominees with the October annual meeting to be the date for voting in new board members/directors.

**\*Old Business: REPORT ON DNA CONFERENCE**

Our Board agreed that the conference was a success as to the material that was presented by the wonderful collection of speakers. We thank Juvanne Martin for her tremendous participation in implementing the May 9, 2009 DNA Conference!!! The approval rating given by the attendees from their post – conference evaluations were generally also agreeable to the content and presentation of the conference.

More direction is necessary towards the price points at future events between: guest, member and life member. More discussion was rendered regarding refunding and/or donating the monies back to IGS and cancellation fees and door prices. *[A refund policy has been deemed necessary as per motion stated and approved as per above.]*

A look into how IGS projects onto the public their events was determined to need further review into the gaining and maintenance of interest to increase attendance to future IGS events.

**NOTE:** A motion to direct Emily Aulicino as project director for the DNA Project through FamilyTreeDNA (FTDNA) with our profit to be 6% of earnings effective upon her terms was made by David Blackwell. Seconded by Bonnie Fuller and approved by all.

When such a time occurs that Emily becomes project director and the IGS website is updated to provide a venue for FTDNA to sell their product through IGS a mailing/email will occur to members, etc. for notification.

Emily as project director will have the responsibility of answering questions from customers and potential customers about tests, procedures, etc. She will have access to technical support as needed. IGS contacts FamilyTreeDNA and they facilitate our electronic connection; adding their logo to our website, etc. Instructions for use for those interested will be placed (easy, step-by-step) on the IGS website.

When all is in place, customers visit our site, click on the FTDNA logo and order a DNA test kit. IGS gets 10% of the cost of the kit. Four percent [4%] will go to Emily. Our profit is thus 6%. Customers pay a reduced rate by joining our project than if they just purchased a test kit outright.

Establishing the project requires no financial investment and can bring in some money to the organization, as well as perhaps garnering memberships and good will.

**NOTE:** Since our website access information has been given to Mags (Michael) Shaw, a motion by David Blackwell to direct Mags to be our official IGS website manager by July 1, 2009 and seconded by Laila Suter. Approved by all.

**\* EXCHANGES**

Bonnie Fuller has informed the board that there are societies that will no longer accept our publications without IGS having first become members of their societies.

Some societies are completely using electronic versions of publications and that IGS is at the moment incapable of this due to the current IGS website settings.

Some organizations may not wish physical exchanges of publications and IGS may have to discontinue the exchange.

IGS does have a website which features indices of virtually all IGS quarterlies for some four decades. The entire quarterly, however, is not accessible electronically at this time.

The cost of physically mailing publications/quarterlies has become a cost expenditure which needs exploration.

**\* ACCOUNT with FEDEX**

Bonnie Fuller has informed the board that there is now an account with FEDEX in regards to copying and mailings.

**\* STORAGE UNIT**

The board held a brief meeting after the DNA Conference on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Louie's Restaurant on Fairview in Meridian.

**NOTE:** A motion was made to authorize Laila Suter, Treasurer, to cut a check to Republic Storage "Willowbrook" on Chinden in Boise for one year's rent. Having input from all but one board member and all those responses being positive motion carried and approval made. One key is in the possession of Michael (Mags) Shaw, Publications Chair, and the other key is in the possession of Bonnie Fuller, President. All IGS publications and paraphernalia shall be now stored within unit number 0910. Should you find yourself in possession of IGS items please remit the information to either Bonnie or Mags for containment in the storage unit.

Mags will be asked to maintain an inventory of IGS possessions within the unit.

\* **NOTE:**                    IGS QUARTERLY

*The board wishes to thank Penny Casey for her dedication and wondrous efforts to bring the IGS Quarterlies to fruition under her lead as editor. Thank you!!*

*Penny has resigned her position as editor of the IGS Quarterly as of June 3, 2009.*

The need to find a new editor is underway. This position is necessary to fulfill the requirements to place an IGS Quarterly in the hands of our members four [4] times a year: March, June, September and December. *By no means should the editor be considered a solo affair nor should our board and/or members imagine it should be.* Without input by the board and members **and** those efforts to gain other partnerships to make material available and driving this material to publication ....there is no quarterly. **It must be seen as a group effort.**

**The IGS Quarterly is the Idaho Genealogical Society's Quarterly....it is about your state, your families, and about the genealogical/historical information that you wish to have known to yourself and others.**

[[Penny had given us these very words of wisdom to continue the Quarterly: **A PUBLICATION COMMITTEE:**

**Volunteers would need to assist with the following:**

- **Research in manuscript and other collections (typing them)**
- **Contact other societies, libraries, museums and groups around the state asking for historical and genealogical items of interest to publish**
- **Contacting other genealogists and historians**
- **Internet research - I have found wonderful things out there!**
- **Library research**
- **Gathering photos from various sources (ISHS allows us to scan their photos and use them with permission)**
- **labeling and mailing (Gail has been wonderful to do this whenever possible, but I am sure that she would appreciate help at times)**
- **coming up with new ideas!**
- **Proofreading**
- **Transcribe records from microfilm if needed (sometimes these help to fill the issue, but is a lot of work and I usually leave it as an "almost" last resort)**
- **Basically just helping to gather items for publication**

**Here are a few guidelines that I ask if you are going to submit or have others submit:**

- **please no pedigree charts**
- **Previously "unpublished" stories (should be 1-5 pages long emailed in word or a text format)**
- **photos need to be in a separate file - Please do not imbed them in your document ] ]**

That being said, Renae Beal has volunteered to gather data that remains pertinent to the knowledge of getting a Quarterly published. *This information will better determine how many hands are needed and how those hands will function.*

Renae has also volunteered to remain as the person who puts the ALREADY edited material into the InDesign software for publishing. This is not an editor position.

*Renae will be setting up an email to explain the needs for personnel, material and function to making the Quarterly a successful representation of the Idaho Genealogical Society.*

Bonnie Fuller has volunteered to be the conduit for **this next issue** [September 2009] –materials for this issue be sent to Bonnie and **be routed** as needed for proof-reading, etc. Then, finished edited articles returned to Bonnie, will be sent to Renae for placement to InDesign software for publishing before **SEPTEMBER 1, 2009**. This is not an editor position.

Kate Fredericksen has volunteered to be the conduit for all material **after the September 2009 issue** and for the rest of her term as Secretary for IGS. All material for the Quarterlies will then be sent to Kate and **be routed** as needed for proof-reading, etc. Then, finished edited articles returned to Kate, will be sent to Renae for placement to InDesign software for publishing **before the first [1<sup>st</sup>] of that publishing month**. This is not an editor position.

**NOTE:** ALL MATERIALS for ANY Quarterly are DUE on the first of the month for any of the FOUR PUBLISHING MONTHS in final edited form:

March 1<sup>st</sup>

June 1<sup>st</sup>

September 1<sup>st</sup>

December 1<sup>st</sup>

**READ:** September 2009 issue material is due in edited final form by September 1, 2009 to Renae Beal.

**Read:** December 2009 issue is not far away!! Market yourselves and your society by finding articles for publication. Hone your personal writing skills!!!  
FILLERS are needed.

December's issue should include an annual financial report and a list of all members and their surname lists.

**Read:** MARCH 2010 will focus on Black History Month and David Blackwell will take the lead on this issue!!!

Shoutout to Mags who said via email, "I'd be willing to put together a story on the black inmates of the Idaho State Prison pre 1947. VR. Mags"

Shoutout to Carolann Zografos who said via email, "I thought an issue with some black family history in Idaho in the 1800s...and maybe some other ethnic family histories (like Native American) would make a very interesting issue."

Shoutout to David Blackwell who said via email, "Cherie Buckner Webb has said yes for the Spring Q. Will keep you posted on the Purce family."

**Read:** JUNE 2010 will continue to focus on American Indians, Basques, Asians, etc, so that we use 2010 as our INTERNATIONAL YEAR.

**NOTE:** Motion made by David Blackwell "Beginning January 1, 2010, the Quarterly will publish electronically. Paper copies will be available for an increased membership fee, the amount to be determined. Life members may receive a paper copy for an additional fee." Seconded by Laila Suter and approved by all.

Quarterly rates for paper publishing and mailings to be determined for members, guests and lifetime members. Proposal: Retain the same membership fee for those who accept the electronic version. Members who want a paper copy will pay an increased fee. Life members will also be charged an annual fee if they want a paper copy. Our Exchange and subscription partners will be advised so they may proceed as they choose. Proposal to leave four issues on the IGS website. Copies electronic/paper will be retained. An access code could be required to reveal quarterlies online.

#### \* CEMETERY PROJECT

Lynda Smithman cannot continue as project coordinator. Additional participation in this valuable research project is necessary. Please volunteer to be involved in the cemetery research, volunteer coordination or data management. Making a party out of research is always fun. Coordinate with your pals on seeking the gravest of adventures!!!!

#### \*QUESTIONNAIRE

A membership survey and questionnaire is to be coordinated by Kate Fredericksen for review. The last survey was 2 years ago. What, why, when, how, who, where, is IGS heading in the vision of its members? Participation with Peggy Shroll to determine just what needs IGS can fill for its members in the form of research for fees will also be addressed.

**Next meeting will convene July 18, 2009 unless otherwise noted.**

Meeting of the Idaho Genealogical Society began at 12 NOON, Saturday June 13, 2009

Meeting ended at 2:30 PM on same date.

Minutes for June 13, 2009

Respectfully submitted Sunday, June 14, 2009  
Kate Fredericksen