

Howard County Genealogical Society
Business Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2006

Visitors & Call To Order:

The Howard County Genealogy Society met on October 2, 2006 in the Main Library Conference Room.

Tracey Morris called the meeting to order. Since Pamela Carter, secretary is not able to be here, Tracey asked if someone would take notes for her. Nancy Fivecoate stated that she was already taking notes.

Program:

Patty Callahan introduced Marjorie Weiler-Powell, who spoke on "Deciphering Handwriting". Marjorie handed out several papers, one which has an illustration of the English and German alphabets needed in order to read the 1836 Naturalization Papers.

After a short break, Janet Winrotte spoke on Sarah Smith (niece) 10 years of genealogy in 4-H. Sarah has 8 large binders of information going back 8 generations which Janet brought for us to look at. There are approximately 700 enrolled in 4-H each year with only 20-30 taking genealogy. Of them only 10-15 complete the project.

Minutes: Pam Carter

The secretary's report was read by Tracey Morris. After a question about the date read for the DAR meeting on 10/7/06 (read as August), Candy Jones made a motion and Kathy Pethoud seconded to have minutes approved as printed. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report: Janice Blanchard

Balance On Hand:	September 1	\$6,793.27
Balance On Hand:	October 2	\$6,050.55.

Expenses were \$745.62 – no income reported.. The grant fund of \$1,000 and donation fund of \$950.44 leaves a working balance of \$4,100.55. Margaret Caldwell made a motion and Patty Lundberg seconded to approve the treasurers report as read. Motion passed.

Query Committee Report: Janice Blanchard

There were 3 individuals looking for 7 obituaries. The names are Bergstrom, Walters, Johannes and Cooper.

Newsletter Committee Report: Diana Duell

Diane has given all information to Tracey Morris. November deadline is October 21st. Tracey will be doing the newsletter now. Tracey asked for a volunteer to proofread the November newsletter. Kathy Pethoud was kind enough to volunteer.

Program Committee Report: Patty Callahan

Patty is trying to get Ann Cater to speak about the Underground Railroad. Ann has not returned her phone call as she is out of town. No one from Allen Co. Library will be able to come as a speaker. Starting with the November 4th meeting we will begin meeting on Saturday's from 10-12 noon. The December meeting is Saturday the 2nd from 10-1 p.m. It is our Food Fest, Show & Tell.

Publicity Committee Report: Patty Callahan

Cards were mailed. Patty apologized for not getting the date and time of the meeting printed on the cards. None of the area papers had our meeting on their community calendar.

Correspondence Report: Tracey Morris

The UPS store is requesting that we have credit card information on file for their billing department. They may require us to have the information in the near future.

Library Report: Marcia Ford

Traffic	388	Donations to library	0
Queries	21	Donations to archives	0
Online hits	2530	Transfers	1
Purchases	3	Total Acquisitions	4

The silent auction will run through October 31st.

The DAR Workshop is Sat., Oct. 7 from 10 am – 1 pm. Members of the DAR will be on hand to answer questions, help people research their family tree and fill out the paperwork to become a member of the DAR. “Genealogy for Night Owls” will be held on October 20 from 5:30 to midnight. The cost is \$12 for Howard County Genealogy Society members and \$14 for non-members. Cost includes a buffet dinner and door prizes. The fee must be paid in order to hold your space. Sign up began October 1 in the genealogy department. An all day research trip to Ft. Wayne will be Saturday, November 11. We will leave from the main library at 7:00 am and return at approximately 8:00 pm. The group will stop at a restaurant before returning to Kokomo. Sign up in the genealogy department begins October 9. The trip is limited to the first 25 to sign up. The October display in the lower level hallway is “Family History Month” The November display will be “The Wright Brothers”.

Old Business:

Non-Profit Status: (Nancy Fivecoate) No report.

The Clinton County Seminar is Saturday, October 7, at the Frankfort Library. The van will leave the parking lot of the main library at 7:00 am.

The Cemetery Walk committee met with the Howard Co. Historical Society. Their research is going strong. The next thing will be to start writing the scripts. A rain location is being considered at Central Middle School.

Book Committee Report: Ron Tetrick

Ron suggested we purchase “Marriages Recorded in Hamilton County, Ohio, 1870-1884. It was compiled by Kenny R. Burch. The book has 560 pages and the cost is \$62.00. Cathy Pethoud made a motion to purchase this book and Candy Jones Seconded. Motion passes.

New Business:

Kathy Coppola asked if the minutes of the meetings are available online and why are they read in their entirety since they are so long. Cathy Pethoud said it is in our By-Laws that the minutes are read. Margaret Caldwell states that in the past they were put on web site, but people didn’t read them before attending the meeting. Jo Thompson made of list of the most important items that need to be read. They are: treasury report; book report with title and author; old business and new business. Kathy Coppola suggested that this be tried at the November 4th meeting.

Meeting Adjournment:

Diane Duell won the door prize. It was a small ceramic pumpkin dish.

Candy Jones made a motion to adjourn. Nancy Fivecoate seconded. Meeting adjourned.s