

**MINUTES**  
**BEAUFORT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (BCGS)**  
April 6, 2010

**WELCOME.**

Jean Gurkin called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm in the recreation hall of the LDS Church. She welcomed the attending members and Charles and Marilyn Racine who are out of town members from Edenton, NC who drove down to attend the meeting.

**RECORDING SECRETARY.**

Kenneth Boyd read the minutes from the March 2, 2010 meeting. The minutes were approved as read following a motion by Albert Everson and a second by Vernetta Lang.

**TREASURER.**

Deborah Waters provided a summary of financial transactions during the previous month. The Treasurer's report was accepted without comment.

There was some additional discussion on the feasibility of moving the society's CD to the State Employees Credit Union because they pay higher interest rates. Deborah Waters said she would check into the feasibility of this move and report back at the next meeting.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.**

Willene Brinn provided a summary of correspondence received during the previous month. The materiel received will be placed on the society's bookshelf at the LDS Church.

**OLD BUSINESS and COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

- “Free” Query Definition. Ann Basnight reported the committee has developed a proposal for handling this issue but they do not have it written up yet. She said they will present their proposal at the next meeting.

- Cemetery Books. Jean Gurkin discussed the difficulties they were continuing to have with OCR scans of the original publication. She had recently changed direction and retyped one of the cemetery listings as a test. This looked like a more promising approach that continuing with the OCR scans.

- East Carolina University (Joyner Library) Visit. Russell Tyson provided an update on the society's visit to Joyner Library.

- Josephine “Jo” Ross Publications. Willene Brinn said she was not able to make any progress due other demands on her time. Louise Cowell said she had started working with the “H” volumes and would take over responsibility for finishing the initiative from Willene.

- “Pamteco Tracings”. Jean Gurkin said submissions for the June journal should be forwarded to Victor Jones via e-mail not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. If you do not have e-mail, mail the article to Victor in hard copy.

- Cemeteries on Weyerhaeuser Property. Albert Everson reported the effort continues to be on hold but he hopes to move it forward in the near future.

- 5th Generation Ancestral Charts. Albert Everson encouraged anyone who has not provided their family charts to do so. The submitted charts are being maintained in a binder on the society’s bookshelf at the LDS Church.

- Family Surname Index. Kenneth Boyd said he is holding off sending out an e-mail solicitation for family names being researched by the members while we are still adding names to the membership roster. Once the membership roster stabilizes, he will send out an e-mail solicitation to all members who have e-mail address.

- Society Membership Renewal. Kenneth Boyd agreed to provide Willene Brinn a list of the names and addresses of the 2009 society members who have not renewed their society memberships and do not have e-mail address. Willene agreed to send out hard copy reminders to these former members about their lapsed memberships.

## **NEW BUSINESS.**

- Kenneth Boyd suggested sending e-mail copies of the monthly minutes to all society members. Considerable discussion ensued on the merits of this proposal, its impact on society bylaws, and what to do with members who do not have e-mail addresses. It was finally agreed that e-mail minutes would only be sent to Officers and Directors.

## **PROGRAM.**

Bea Latham made a presentation on the process associated with moving graves in North Carolina. To illustrate the process, she used the November 2006 removal of 17 graves from a family cemetery located on Bath Creek and their subsequent movement to a new grave site at Saint Thomas Church. She explained the North Carolina legal requirements associated with grave movement and provided an illustrated lecture on the actual mechanics of the disinterment and reinterment process.

## **ADJOURNMENT.**

Jean Gurkin adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm following a motion by Willene Brinn and a second by Deborah Waters.

## **NEXT MEETING.**

The next BCGS meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm, May 4, 2010 at the same location.

**ATTENDEES AT APRIL BCGS MEETING.**

Jean Gurkin, President  
Albert Everson, Vice President  
Deborah Waters, Treasurer  
Willene Brinn, Corresponding Secretary  
Kenneth Boyd, Recording Secretary  
Ann Basnight  
Bill Bowen  
Louise Cowell  
Mary Disharoon  
Louise Kempka  
Vernetta Lange  
Bea Latham  
James Midyette  
Colby Pippin  
Charles Racine  
Marilyn Rascine  
Jimmy Taylor  
Janice Tyson  
Russell Tyson