EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING JUNE 9, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Haines at 6:30pm. Those attending, were Bill Haines, Barb Smith, Sherry Copenhaver, Marcie Cousino, Jan Shepler and Liz Jones.

Bill Haines mentioned that the Treasurer's revenue forecast will be coming up this fall.

<u>Township records</u> will be followed up with phone calls. E-mails have already been sent by Sherry Copenhaver. This is to secure the records so they are not discarded and we can scan them and give the township a copy.

Officer positions and descriptions draft was looked over with suggestions of additions /corrections made. After a lengthy discussion, Barb Smith will up date this **Policy and Procedures and duties**. It was suggested that new officers are provided this information. It was suggested that we also need a Media Policy.

Sherry Copenhaver reported that the **Strategic Plan** implementation is on track. Further discussion was held on our progress and the need to strive for the goals that were set up. Community outreach is going well with cooperation of the Charlotte Public Library and Sherry Copenhaver. It was suggested that a contest be set up for genealogy this fall in the schools and the need to contact the school districts. Shirley Hodges is giving a talk at the library on June 26, 2014 at 7:00pm on the Orphan Train. Sherry Copenhaver mentioned the need to set up further work shops for volunteers and our library.

Sherry Copenhaver also suggested that there might be a need for a **members benefit committee** that would report to the board.

Shirley Hodges reported that the Cookbook publication does not look promising due to lack of participation and cost.

The Facebook page is doing well, there have been a few glitches but they have been worked out. Sher Brown, John Evans and Shirley Hodges have been persons working on it. Eaton County connection for new people is in place, and non genealogy issues have been resolved.

Bill Haines reported that progress in regards to our computers are going well with John Evans great help.

Bill Haines reported the Historian position is still available as no one has volunteered yet. We need to get someone for this position. The duties would en-tale clipping newspaper articles in local papers that pertain to the ECGS or are relevant to our society, taking or getting pictures of events and putting them in a scrapbook.

A proposal from the Donning group for a pictorial history of Eaton County was declined. Any pictures used would become Donning's property and they would be selling the book.

Bill Haines reported that Sher Brown has resigned from being Quest Editor. Discussion was held on the fact there are still two more Quest publications due out and what the Quest should be. With the ECGS web site the Quest may no longer be necessary after this year. We could use someone to do the remaining two Quests for this year. It was suggested that each Board member if possible come up with 5 pages each to help with the next issue and maybe in a news letter form instead of bound.

Bill Haines suggested he send out a letter mentioning the needs of our ECGS, and mention it at the general membership meeting. (historian, editor, computer upgrade). Also how to get other members involved in our society and our meetings. A round table was suggested.

Bill Haines mentioned the Frontier Days is just around the corner, Sept. 5,6 and 7, 2014.

Bus trip to Allen County Library, Nov. 1, 2014. Sign up ASAP.