

## Board Meeting Notes for March 14, 2015.

Present: Bill Haines, Marcy Cousino, Barb Smith, Sherry Copenhaver

Special Interest Groups: The Military SIG will have its third meeting next Monday. It seems to be a 'Go'. People are interested in it and we have had some donations already. We now have a page on our website and this will be updated as new things come in.

Computer upgrade status: Some of us think extra RAM is a good idea for the two computers we have now. We are going to ask if there is anyone who would like to join a temporary Computer Technology Committee so check into things such as a new laptop, wireless computer and software (perhaps like Newspapers archive) to purchase and allow people who come in to research to use. Hopefully, John will head up this committee.

Office Supplies Purchasing: We still need to come up with a procedure to order supplies. We do have a shelving unit that we plan to put existing supplies in and this should make it easier to see when we need to order new supplies.

Future seminar/workshop: Last month we talked about hosting a Family Tree Maker workshop to teach people how to use the new software version. Shirley planned to check with a speaker that might do this. We thought we might try for this spring, but it looks like perhaps a fall date would be better at this point.

Historical Commission Grant: Sherry will do more research on a microfilm converter and something to scan large books. We need to get grant information ready to submit for April if we are going to request anything.

Meeting at Eaton Rapids GAR Hall: Eaton Rapids has offered their hall to host one of our general meetings if we would like. Several people think this is a good idea. We may shoot for the July meeting as we do not have a speaker yet for July.

Publication Committee: We need a publication committee to research creating online publications.

Treasurer Reports: We want to add the treasurer detail reports to the Members Section website. We will do that soon.

Next Board Meeting: We will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday morning of April and decide about the remainder of the year's schedule of board meeting.