

Eaton County Genealogical Society

Board Meeting

9/13/10

Meeting convened at 6:45 PM

Members present: B. Smith, S. Smith, Brown, Polhamus, G. Copenhaver, Haines, Cousino

1. Moldy pop cans found in closet when moving to storage last weekend. Do we have a problem. Decided must have been old cans that had deteriorated with age.
2. Recap of bake sale: Sales went well, not much left. Pop sales were slow but steady. Snacks sold especially well. Gross receipts were approximately \$887. After reimbursing snack fund \$50 for the till, and the checking account \$150 for materials and supplies, net profit was about \$737.
3. Use of bake sale profits: Due to shortfall in current accounts, the profit cannot be earmarked for purchase of a computer at this time. Some discussion ensued on nature of the shortfall and potential remedies, focusing mainly on costs associated with the Quest. Some members recalled that the board decided previously to dedicate bake sale profits to purchase of a computer, but this could not be verified. One other potential use discussed was a contribution to the State Library for preservation of the non-Michigan collection. The consensus was to leave the profits in the checking account, however.
4. Need for additional computer: S. Smith advised that funds in non-designated savings could be made available pending support from the board and approval by the general membership if the need for one is justified. It was decided that computer usage needs to be monitored for a time to determine if an additional one is needed. Sign in sheets will be used at each computer for this purpose.
5. B. Smith reported a list of 12 deceased former members who have not been honored by "in memory of" memorials. There may be more names as well. After discussion of what to do about the names on this list, it was decided to honor them with an "in memory of" card by the microfilm reader.
6. S. Copenhaver asked if she should pursue obtaining a full page scanner on loan from Ancestry or Family Search to copy the materials on the 4th floor of the old courthouse. It was agreed that Sherry should go ahead and research what would be involved and come to the board with a proposal.
7. S. Copenhaver asked for board input on the possible creation of "member only" portions of the ECGS website. No decision made, but generally the board supported this concept.
8. Need for a disaster plan discussed. It was felt that we may already have one, possibly via Courthouse Square. G. Copenhaver will determine if we have one.
9. Quest mailings. It was agreed that mailings should be made approximately mid-quarter regardless of the production schedule.

10. Next general meeting will be 9/15/10 with R. Danes as the speaker on the topic of the “National Civil War Graves Registration Project”.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.