Kenosha County Genealogy Society Board Meeting Minutes October 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President, Kathy Nuernberg at 6:34 PM at the Northside Festival Foods Community Room. Those present were Kathy Nuernberg, Judy Reynolds, Dawn Best, Oren Simpson, Mary Ann Cole, and Brenda Lambert-Miller.

Brenda Lambert-Miller read the secretary's report minutes from the August 26, 2019 board meeting. They were approved by Dawn Best and seconded by Oren Simpson.

Oren Simpson read the treasurers report. A balance of \$2,933.66, expenses to the copy center of \$197.35. Income of \$344.16 which was \$313 from dues and \$31 from donations. \$50 was given to Oren from the sale of two folded books. The report was accepted by Brenda Lambert-Miller and seconded by Judy Reynolds.

Oren said he has 2-3 laptops available to use. He would like to know if the Society would purchase memberships to either Ancestry, which would include International, Fold 3 and Newspapers.com. cost is about \$195 for 6 months or MyHeritage. Oren said the One-on-Ones at the library are so infrequent. Maybe we could have something twice a month. Kathy will contact Patty B. at the library to see if we could get a study room or area that we could use from 6-8 PM.

Oren printed out the 501C which contained 100 pages. Would almost need a lawyer to figure it out. Needed for sales tax and the fair we had a few years ago, we used Walworth County's 501C. It was decided that we can disregard this altogether.

Senior Center Fall Craft Fair is Saturday, November 2, 2019. Kathy and Brenda will be selling the folded books in a booth that costs \$20.

Kathy said our speaker for October 14, 2019 is Jennifer Kastilahn she will be doing a power point.

Kathy said we need ideas for speakers for February 10, 2020, April 13, 2020 and June 8, 2020. She sent an email to the Chicago National Archive which is on Pulaski. Possible field trip to the Archive in April. Kathy has a van that could take five people. Mary Ann said Kenoshans were deported from Chicago's Mafia back to Italy. Could have Patty B. from the library or Parkside archives for February. The Civil War Museum would be interesting. May 11, 2020 speaker is Michelle Wilson on DNA.

Oren mentioned records going back East to New England area, many members would probably have roots in the East. Mary Ann said the DAR has close to one million members. She mentioned to their group about speaking at one of our meetings, they were not real interested but will try and ask them again.

December 9, 2020 is the Christmas Party, will need to announce at the General Meeting and pass around a sign-up sheet for the potluck. People like to play Robber Bingo and get upset if we don't play the game. Kathy would also like to have a "Show and Tell" of great things that people found out this year.

Kathy announced the Tombstone project is halfway done at St. Casimir Cemetery. Friday, October 11, 2019 will be at St. George Cemetery, the old section near the bridge. Judy Reynolds said that she didn't have any notices for October for the Kenosha News. We have had 8 people helping: Bob Finnegan, David Corey, Joan Murphy, Lois Fulton, Tui Wyllie, Russ Wortley, Brenda Lambert-Miller and Kathy Nuernberg at the cemeteries this year. Kathy emails each person where we will be each week.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. Kathy closed the meeting and was seconded by Dawn Best.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Lambert-Miller, Secretary.