

FINNISH GENEALOGY GROUP OF MINNESOTA

February 25, 2017

Minutes of Membership Meeting

Elaine Barton called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The **consent calendar (aka consent agenda)** was accepted. It included:

Meeting Minutes for Jan. 28, 2017.

Financial Report: Jan.. 2017: Deposits: \$180.00; Expenses: \$0; Bank Balance: \$5299.60

Officer and Committee Reports

Treasurer Report (Carol Schwartzbauer and Jane Daniels). Nothing new to report.

Membership Report (Jan O'Leary). Membership status: 89 total (87 paid; 2 honorary)

Vice President Report (Barb Wilson)

2017 Meeting Updates.

March, John Hanson: Road Blocks. We need people to present (or to have John present) roadblocks. Jan sent out a message previous to this meeting, asking members to tell him via email before the meeting what roadblocks they have confronted and solved or need help with. All members can suggest approaches, not just John.

April, IHRC guild. An IHRC field trip is in the works. We will receive parking instructions, and our guide will meet us at the door.

May, Election and member summer plans.

August 19, Summer Meeting/Picnic. A sign-up sheet will circulate in May. Good news: we already have a few old cell phones for the *kännnykä* toss! Continue to send your ideas to Barb Wilson, Linda Mell, Mark Lehtinen, and/or Diane Pearson.

Old Business

Website Committee. (Elaine Barton) Update on contract is coming in March..

Library Committee. (Jane Daniels) If you take out a book, take a card from the card box, fill it out and place it in the front of the box.

New Member Packet Update (Jan O'Leary) The plan continues to send an email message to find out and assemble a list of who is researching what.

New Business

FinnFest USA 2017 update. (Greg Isola) FinnFest will be Thursday to Sunday, September 21 to 24. Plans for an all-day genealogy meeting on Sept. 21 include large room (keynotes) and two smaller ones (breakout sessions). Included lunch will be informal—no speech during. Perhaps there can be a research room, not decided whether space is available. The genealogy meeting will require a separate registration and fee from the general registration and fee for FinnFest.

The business meeting was adjourned by 10 a.m. Greg Isola's presentations on the **Kalenteri** publications for

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