

FINNISH GENEALOGY GROUP OF MINNESOTA

February 24, 2018 Membership Meeting

- 1 CALL TO ORDER: 9:30am by Elaine Barton
- 2 GUEST INTRODUCTIONS: Marja Hoffman and Judy Mikkola
- 3 AGENDA CHANGE REQUESTS: Under Vice President Report add "Program Date", Approved
- 4 CONSENT CALENDAR (aka CONSENT AGENDA): Accepted
 - A. Jan. 27, 2018 FGG Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. Financial reports: Jan. 2018: Deposits: \$100.00, Expenses: \$0; Bank Balance: \$5,494.10
 - C. Feb. 17, 2018 FGG Board Meeting Minutes:
Meeting minutes and Financial report: Approved
- 5 OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Treasurer Report (Carol Schwartzbauer) As above
 - B. Membership Report (Jan O'Leary)
 - 1 Membership Status: 83 total (81 paid; 2 honorary)
 - C. Vice President Report (Barb Wilson)
 - 1 Program Updates: Mar. Program is Black Sheep stories, Apr. Program is an offsite visit to Crystal LDS Center
 - 2 Summer Program Update: Joan Dwyer and Diane Pearson are planning it.
 - 3 Program Date: The Board recommends that on Sept 2018 we change to meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Motion by Carol Schwartzbauer, Seconded by Pam Erickson, passed unanimously.
 - D. Communications Committee Report (Joan Dwyer): Received an email from a man in Ohio requesting information about a relative in Duluth. Pam Erikson volunteered to help him.
 - 1 Upcoming 2018 Events: None stated
- 6 OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Subscriptions Update. Elaine Barton reviewed the changes previously stated. An email will be sent to current members. Highlight: Ancestry.com will be closed so all personal information/trees must be removed by Mar. 31. In the future there will be no password sharing. Subscriptions/programs will only be available at membership meetings.
 - B. MNGS.org Classes/webinars: One may register to one that is of interest. They are on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Library Donation Update - Jane Daniels: No new donations.

 - B. New Member Packet Update - Jan O'Leary: a draft on the new packet is completed.
 - C. Update on the new website: Information from the old site will be transferred to the new site, login password will be established.
- 7 NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Nominating Committee: Pam Erickson & Diane Pearson
All officers except secretary; 3 board members at large will to be elected
- 8 MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Urho Rahkola received a book "Green Valley Township a Community of Finnish Settlers" that may be of interest to Harvey Arola, if not it will be donated to the FGG library.

John Hanson will present Finntown in Minneapolis at the FACA meeting on Apr. 20.
- 9 BUSINESS MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 9:57am
PROGRAM: Roadblocks 2018 A Sequel by John Hanson, Joan Dwyer and Barb Abramson Wilson

Respectfully Submitted
Richard Harju, Secretary