

## FINNISH GENEALOGY GROUP MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Via Zoom – 21 Jan 2023, 9:30 AM

Call to order 9:30 AM

This meeting was rescheduled from January 14th.

Guests: none. Changes to agenda: none. Nov meeting minutes approved.

Financial Report, Dec – Deposits: \$100.00; Expenses: \$7.28; Balance \$7773.88.

We shouldn't need the 7.28 per month expense anymore.

Membership: 60 family groups, 59 paid, and 1 honorary.

VP report programs: Feb – Pam Erickson (Prejudice/John Swan)

Mar – John Hanson, Barb Wilson (Finnish wars: John 1900s, Barb 1600-1800s)

Apr – Salolampi as Fall event / Topic: What would you like to find out?

Open Zoom night for research?

May – discuss summer plans

Potential Topics:

Star Trib/FACA newsletter article: Finns coming to Minnesota

American Finns who went to Russia

Historical burial rites

Reasons leaving Finland and returning

Finnish Indian artist Carl Gawboy from Cloquet area

Historic recipes

Finnish children sold as servants / Dark side of Finnish history

Himmeli (straw mobile): Mary Erickson (potential for April or May)

Judy Johnson – Finnish kids book for teenagers

Finnish communists – author

Communications

GoDaddy website discussion / Possible group PO box

Board mtg Feb 4, 9AM:

Budget

Policies and procedures updated

Return to church for meetings, hybrid

Salolampi possibilities

Website changes

FGG award to Diane Pearson

Member announcements:

- Stillwater world snow sculpting championships, welcoming Finnish team
- Elaine Kumpula is calling a mtg about a possible "Finnish house"
- FinnFest in Duluth 26-30 Jul 2023 and for next 5 years
- Barb added: Finnish cousin Kauko's website blog of information on records  
*[juurille.info/en/your-roots-blog](http://juurille.info/en/your-roots-blog)*

Adjourn 10:25 AM, break until 10:30 before Greg Isola presentation on research hints

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Adamson and Greg Isola, co-secretaries, 01 Feb 2023