

## FINNISH GENEALOGY GROUP MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Via Zoom – 11 Feb 2023, 9:30 AM

Call to order 9:31 AM

No guests yet.

Changes to agenda: new business – summer get-together; no other

Financial Report, Jan – Deposits: \$300.00; Expenses: \$7.28; Balance \$8066.60

Digital One expense of \$7.28 should be discontinued; Diane will follow up.

Will send \$125 to the church for storage.

Membership: 64 family groups, 63 paid, and 1 honorary.

VP report programs: Apr/May – Marianne Wargelin, FinnFest

2<sup>nd</sup> Sat in Apr is Easter; move to 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend? Approved

Move business meeting to end if necessary for Marianne

Mary – himmeli presentation and if time, summer plans or one genealogical wish

Future ideas: Judy Johnson – how I learned I was Finnish - Joan

Prejudice leftwing Finns – Pam

Superstitions

Finnish children sold as servants

StarTrib – why Finnish immigrants came to MN – Erik Roper

Women of the Kalevala

American Finns to Russia in 1930s: why, went?

Historic burial rites / water burials: Barb

What made people leave and return to Finland

Finndians - Carl Gawboy Anishinaabee, works at Tweed Gallery

Historic recipes and food – Barb

Travel to Finland, hints for visiting – John, Joan

Cape Ann Finns

Board meeting – May or Jun to prioritize list

Send additional presentation ideas to Linda

Diane gave shout out for how great our members' presentations have been

Link website to YouTube recordings

Communications: invest in website to update and make user friendly

Board mtg summary: Subscriptions – Newspapers.com & Migration Institute - multiuse request or cancel

Website committee: inform Diane of ideas, may be zoom mtg, approx. cost \$2500

Salolampi postponed to the following year

Hybrid mtg at church planned for this year

FinnFest get-together: Mary Lukkarila and committee to plan

Policies & Procedures – May or Jun Board mtg to further update

FACA Laskiainen @ Lebanon Hills skiing and sledding Feb 25 12-3p

Salolampi May & Sep Adult week – <http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/youth-languages>

Feb 28 – Kalevala Day

Adjourned 10:35a

Pam Erickson's presentation on Prejudice and leftwing Finns after break

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Adamson and Greg Isola, co-secretaries, 07 Mar 2023