

Advisory Board Minutes – August 2023

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2023 Jul Advisory Board Meeting Adjourned / 2023 Aug Advisory Board Meeting Convened

01 August 2023

The July 2023 meeting of the Advisory Board is now adjourned and the August 2023 Advisory Board Meeting is now convened.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

2022/23 Aug Order of Business

01 Aug 2023

Per Article IV. of the Special Rules, the Order of Business is as follows:

Minutes

Announcements

- Annual Election Results

Reports

- Grievance Committee Report

- Rootsweb Migration Project Update

Unfinished Business

New Business

Adjournment

IV. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Order of Business will be renewed and announced to the assembly at the beginning of each month by the Presiding Officer. The Order of Business will be flexible and may be adapted to cope with immediate business. Members will advise the Presiding Officer of suggested agenda items for future Orders of Business.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

RW Migration Project Report

01 August 2023

27 July 2023

We have 86 counties left to move in the next 5 months as of the last review a few days ago. A lot of progress has been made, but we need to keep going to meet the goal. We have an average of 17 sites per month to go. As always, please let me or an AB member know if you need help and what kind of help you need. We're all in this together.

Rootsweb County Migration Status: Aug 2023 - 86 Counties To Go						
Region	States	States Done	Counties	Counties Done	% Counties Done	
NENC	4	0	47	12	26%	
NWPL	5	1	24	10	42%	
SEMA	1	0	33	22	67%	
SWSC	5	2	39	13	33%	
TOTAL	15	3	143	57	40%	

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

01 August 2023

On 7/27/2023 8:34 PM, Linda K. Lewis wrote:

> We have 86 counties left to move in the next 5 months as of the last
> review a few days ago.

I have just put Newport Co. RI online in my domain, and I am waiting to hear from the RI SC that the link on the RI state page has been updated.

The new site is beginning in a rather rudimentary form but contains (and has a link to) the entirety of the RootsWeb site which is has been ported to a folder below the new site on my server. Integrating all of that old material into the new site will take a great deal of time as the old site had not been updated in about a decade, was badly outdated, was badly organized, and was not mobile-friendly. Making the work much

harder and slower is that fact that the old site contained about 800 mb in nearly 4,000 files.

I had not intended to adopt yet another county, but I have adopted Newport in order to drag it up to current standards. My fellow SCs will appreciate how hard it can be to attract new CCs. I will probably end up building sites for all of the cities and towns (fortunately there are only six of them) - my fellow CCs will appreciate how hard it can be to attract new TCs. The old RootsWeb Newport County site had no city or town sites. Links to pages and files which should have been segregated into city or town sites are jumbled together on the old county index page, making it quite a mess. The old county index page had over 130 hot links and was difficult to navigate.

Dale H. Cook
Northeast/North Central Region
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

The new Newport County RI site is now linked to from the RI state page, so that county can be crossed off. I think that makes RI the first NENC state completed.

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Election Results**03 August 2023**

I received election results from my TXGenWeb coordinators list- but can not find where it was originally posted- so I copied and pasted that to my groups-
Seems like this election had lots of email problems- is there anything we can do to help prevent that in the future?

Rebecca Maloney
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

**2023 USGWP
Election Results****03 August 2023**

Below are the Annual Election Results, sent by Pat Asher, EC Acting Chair, for the record.

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Pat Asher <arbe...@att.net>
> To: "Linda K. Lewis" <webm...@cottonhills.com>
> Date: 08/02/2023 5:21 PM EDT
> Subject: Fwd: 2023 USGWP Election Results

>
> For posting to Board-L (Oversight can not post to Board-L so even though
> results were sent to, sending to you for posting :)
>
> Pat
>
> ----- Forwarded Message -----
> Subject: 2023 USGWP Election Results
> Date: Wed, 2 Aug 2023 15:57:10 -0500 (CDT)
> From: pjr...@att.net
> Reply-To: pjr...@att.net
> To: arbe...@att.net
>
> *** Please Forward as appropriate to all USGenWeb Mail lists ***
>
> The USGW Election Committee would like to thank all of the candidates
> and voters for participating in the election process. Below are the
> results of the 2023 Election.
>
> Total Members: 911
> Registered to Vote: 577 (63.34%)
> Passwords Sent: 81 (14.04%)
> Eligible NC: 81 - Voted: 67 (82.72%)
> Eligible RAL: 81 - Voted: 64 (79.01%)
> Eligible NENC CC: 37 - Voted: 30 (81.08%)
> Eligible NWPL CC: 29 - Voted: 24 (82.76%)
> Eligible NWPL SC: 12 - Voted: 11 (91.67%)
> Eligible SEMA CC: 25 - Voted: 21 (84.00%)
> Eligible SWSC CC: 30 - Voted: 22 (73.33%)
> Eligible SP: 15 - Voted: 13 (86.67%)
>
> None of the eligible positions were contested in this election so the EC
> declares all of the below as winners.
>
> There was no candidate for the open position of SEMA CC Rep (1 yr
> term) so it is declared vacant.
>
> National Coordinator (1 yr term)
> Linda K. Lewis 67 (100%)
>
> Representative at Large (2 yr term)
> Taneya Koonce 64 (100%)
>
> NENC CC Rep (2 yr term)
> Dale Cook 30 (100%)
>

- > NWPL CC Rep (2 yr term)
- > Randy Cummings 24 (100%)
- >
- > NWPL CC Rep (1 yr term)
- > Kris Meyer 10 (100%)
- >
- > NWPL SC Rep (2 yr term)
- > Linda Ziemann 11 (100%)
- >
- > SEMA CC Rep (2 yr term)
- > Tricia Aanderud 21 (100%)
- >
- > SWSC CC Rep (2 yr term)
- > Doreen Harunaga-Ewing 22 (100%)
- >
- > Special Projects Rep
- > Rebecca Maloney 13 (100%)
- >
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- >
- > Pat Asher, Acting Chair
- > Election Committee

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

**Beware - Scam
Email Spoofing Pat
Asher**

04 August 2023

Beware - I just got a scam email spoofing Pat Asher asking me to pay expenses via PayPal, Zelle, or Venmo. This one was so crude it didn't even spoof her email address.--

Dale H. Cook, Member, NEHGS, AGS, MA Soc. of Mayflower Descendants;

Massachusetts State Coordinator for the USGenWeb® Project;

Administrator of <https://plymouthcolony.net>

Dale H. Cook
Northeast/North Central Region
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

Same. Lame attempt. Always check the email addy.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

**July 2022/23
Advisory Board
Minutes**

05 August 2023

Please review the 2022/23 July Advisory Board Minutes and advise if corrections or revisions are needed.

<https://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2023-07.pdf>

These Minutes will stand as accepted as of Aug 7, 2023, at 11:59 PM if no corrections are heard.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

**Annual Call for
USGenWeb
Webmaster
Volunteers**

18 August 2023

***** PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL MEMBERS *****

Per Article XI of the Standard Rules, the Board hereby issues a call for volunteers for the USGenWeb Webmaster position.

The website manager, and assistant (if any), serve as trusted technical assistants to the Advisory Board and are responsible for the maintenance of the Project website under the direction of the National Coordinator.

The requirements for USGenWeb Webmaster are detailed in STANDARD RULE XI: MOTION 2008/09-04: 'WEBMASTER QUALIFICATIONS' <https://www.usgenweb.org/about/standardrules.html>

Please submit your interest to the National Coordinator, webm...@cottonhills.com, within 15 days of the posting of this announcement. THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS 11:59 PM EDT, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2022.

Please include an introduction, length of time developing and maintaining websites, and links to project websites you created and managed that you wish to highlight as examples of your ongoing work.

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Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

24 August 2023

I'm resending this announcement because I understand many members did not receive the first one. If this announcement lands in your spam, please mark it as NOT SPAM, even if you are not able to volunteer. This will help ensure you receive any important communications from our Project.

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Thank you!

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National Coordinator 2022-2023

**Reminder: Annual
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24 August 2023

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BECAUSE I HEAR MEMBERS AREN'T RECEIVING PROJECT
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National Coordinator 2022-2023

**RootsWeb Migration
Project**

24 August 2023

We're now up to 5 States done and we're approaching the halfway mark on the counties. Congratulations! It's such a big project and I really appreciate

all the hard work to rescue our counties and other content from RootsWeb. If we keep plugging away we'll get it done, and our Project will be in a much better place for all this work!

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On a separate note, many of us are receiving emails from others who have published their own content on RootsWeb or Freepages looking to us for help, desperate to not have their content lost. I hope some of you are able to work with these folks and help save their content and grow our Projects.

Thank you for all your efforts!

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

Adjournment

31 August 2023

The August 2023 meeting of the Advisory Board is now adjourned and the 2022/23 Session is concluded.

Thank you to all Advisory Board Members for your service to our Project.

Outgoing AB members David Gochenour, Martha Graham, and Trish Elliott-Kashima are now subscribed as read-only to this list.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2022-2023

The full text of all BOARD-L messages can be viewed in the threaded list archives for this list by subscribing members in their email.

All Advisory Board Minutes are located at <http://usgenweb.org/about/minutes.html>.

Please remember that minutes are a record of actions proposed and taken at the meeting, NOT all the detail about what was said by members or guests. If you have any questions or comments about the minutes, please write to [Doreen Harunaga-Ewing](#), Secretary.