# Advisory Board Minutes - July 2008

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**JULY 2008 MEETING CONVENED**

(1 Jul 2008) By the NC

The July 2008 meeting convened

**JULY 2008 AGENDA**

(1 Jul 2008) By the NC

-- Grievance Committee discussion;
-- Election Committee 3rd Qtr. Report;
-- Newsletter Committee 3rd Qtr. Report;
-- June minutes;
-- Educational and Promotional Resources.

(2 Jul 2008) By the NC

For the record, I erred the quarterly reports that are due are for the 2nd quarter. The Standing Committees report based on the calendar year.

**JUNE 2008 MINUTES**

(14 Jul 2008) By the NC

The June Minutes have been posted for review to the national website at: [http://www.usgenweb.org/business/AB-06-2008.shtml](http://www.usgenweb.org/business/AB-06-2008.shtml)

If there is no objection or corrections the minutes will stand approved July 17, 2008, 8:00 am.
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<td>Call for discussion</td>
<td>Over the past several weeks, I have been subscribed to the &quot;private&quot; Grievance Committee list. They have failed to communicate to me: Who is on the committee, or the terms they are seated to fill; Of committee members that did respond to my questions, (two individuals), agreed to a slate that does not satisfy the representation of roles mandated by the Grievance Committee Procedures: &quot;The Grievance Committee shall consist of seven members of The USGenWeb Project in good standing. The panel must include a State Coordinator and a member of the Special projects and three County Coordinators/Local Coordinators who have not served as State Coordinator or in a national level position within the last three years.&quot;; (see full text at: <a href="http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/BOARD/2008-07/1214935692">http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/BOARD/2008-07/1214935692</a>)</td>
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MOTION 2007/08-10 RECALL OF GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

(1 Jul 2008) by Phyllis Rippee, seconded by Linda Blum-Barton
"I move to recall the remaining members of the Grievance Committee, so that a new committee can be named. The recall is without prejudice, so that they may volunteer again when future calls for volunteers are made."

(6 Jul 2008) By the NC
Call to vote issued.

(9 Jul 2008) By the NC
With 14 Advisory Board members voting, Motion 2007/08-10: 'Recall of Grievance Committee' passes.
Those voting 'Yes': Alice Allen, Linda Blum-Barton, Sherri Bradley, Scott Burow, JanCortez, Cyndie Enfinger, Larry Flesher, Phyllis Rippee, Suzanne Shephard, Greta Thompson and Bettie Wood,
Those voting 'No': Concetta Franco Phillipps, Gail Meyer Kilgore and Jason Mendenhall.
The seated members of the Grievance Committee are recalled. Thank you for your service to the USGenWeb Project.

(11 Jul 2008) By Linda Blum-Barton
Linda issued a Challenge to the vote results since Alice Allen voted after the Voting closed.

(11 Jul 2008) By the NC
Correction to announcement of vote results
With 13 Advisory Board members voting, Motion 2007/08-10: 'Recall of Grievance Committee' passes.

Those voting 'Yes': Linda Blum-Barton, Sherri Bradley, Scott Burow, Jan Cortez, Cyndie Enfinger, Larry Flesher, Phyllis Rippee, Suzanne Shephard, Greta Thompson and Bettie Wood.

Those voting 'No': Concetta Franco Phillipps, Gail Meyer Kilgore and Jason Mendenhall.
Those not voting: Alice Allen.

The seated members of the Grievance Committee are recalled.
Thank you for your service to the USGenWeb Project.

**MOTION 2007/08-08 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE SLATE**

*(11 Jul 2008) By the NC*

**Correction to announcement of vote results**

With 13 Advisory Board members voting, Motion 2007/08-08: 'Confirmation of Grievance Committee Slate' fails.

Accept: Alice Allen, Gail Kilgore.

Reject: Greta Thompson, Concetta Franco Phillipps, Jan Cortez, Linda Blum-Barton, Sherri Bradley, Larry Flesher, Bettie Wood, Scott, Burow, Suzanne Shephard, Phyllis Rippee

Abstain: Cyndie Enfinger

Not Voting: Jason Mendenhall

**REQUESTED USE OF USGenWeb LOGO**

*(12 Jul 2008) by the NC*

As National Coordinator, I have received the following request for use of the USGenWeb Project logo.

If no objection is raised by July 14, 2008 at 7:00 pm EST, it is my intention as National Coordinator to grant use of the USGenWeb Project logo for this publication.

The Standard Rules state:


SECTION IV. PERMISSION TO USE A USGenWeb LOGO.
(Adopted 17 October 2006 (Motion 06-18)) In the event a request for
permission to use one of the USGenWeb Logos in a publication is
received, the National Coordinator shall notify the Advisory Board of
his/her intent to accept or reject the request. Unless an objection is
registered the National Coordinator's decision will stand.

----- Original Message ----- 
From: Pam Cooper
To: tsvickery@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 6:07 PM
Subject: Use of logo

Hi: 
I am the editor of a county newsletter and one of our members has
written an article about his discovery of the US GenWeb. May I use a
small version of your logo with the article? This is just to attract people's
attention and become familiar with it.

Thank you for your consideration.
Pam

(14 Jul 2008) By the NC
Having heard no objection, permission is granted for use of the
USGenWeb logo in your publication. Thank you for wishing to feature
the USGenWeb Project. We would very much like to get a copy of the
publication when available.

The USGenWeb Project Advisory Board would also like to make you
aware of http://genevents.genwebsite.org/, a USGenWeb Project site
dedicated to help societies/groups have a successful event. It also
assists researchers in locating genealogical events.

Thank you again for including the USGenWeb Project in your publication.

GRIEVANCE (9 Jul 2008) By the NC
Due to a reconciliation by and with Advisory Board members of the Project members who volunteered during the last call, the following slate will be presented in Executive Session to select the initial Grievance Committee Slate.

"Volunteers for the Grievance Committee will be required to meet certain minimum requirements for service."

"Volunteers must have a minimum of one year's continuous service as a Member in Good Standing of either a State Project or a recognized Special Project of the USGenWeb Project."

"The Grievance Committee shall consist of seven members of The USGenWeb Project in good standing. The panel must include a State Coordinator and a member of the Special projects and three County Coordinators/Local Coordinators who have not served as State Coordinator or in a national level position within the last three years."

"Of the initial appointments four (4) will be for two-year terms, and three (3) for one-year terms. The Advisory Board will appoint the Grievance Coordinator for the initial term for a period of one year."

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Dorman Holub - Special Projects

Nick Sierra who did volunteer does not meet the minimum requirement of one year’s continuous service. Thank you Nick for volunteering and your willingness to serve.

The Board is now in executive session to select the initial seven member slate.

The slate of the initial seven members will then be presented to Board-L. At that time discussion will be open for member comment for a period of seven days. After that date, the board will vote to accept or reject the slate based upon the discussions and member input.

(21 Jul 2008) By the NC
Please feel free to forward to USGenWeb Project lists.

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The Advisory Board has reviewed the qualifications of those members who volunteered to serve on the Grievance Committee.

The proposed slate of committee members is listed below and will remain open for comments from the membership for a period of ten days. After that date, the board will vote to accept or reject the slate based upon those comments. This selection process by the Advisory Board was necessitated by the results of Motion 2007/08-10: 'Recall of Grievance Committee'

One proposed volunteer, Darilee Bednar, was not considered as she did not meet the qualifications set forth in the Grievance Policy and Procedures:

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Coordinator or in a national level position within the last three years."

Darilee served on the USGenWeb Project Advisory Board as Northwest Plains (NWPL) County Coordinator Representative with a two year term Ending 8/31/06.

We wish to thank all those who volunteered. The selection process was difficult.

CC/LC Representatives:  
Kemis Massey - 2 year term - GAGenWeb Project  
Joel Newport - 2 year term - MIGenWeb Project  
Diane Siniard - 2 year term - NCGenWeb Project

Special Project Representative:  
Robert Sizelove - 1 year term

State Coordinator Representative:  
Shirley Cullum - 1 year term - SC TXGenWeb Project

At Large Representatives:  
John Quigley - 1 year term - TXGenWeb Project  
Dorman Holub - 2 year term - TXGenWeb Project

Please feel free to send your comments to me or your Advisory Board representative for consideration. Email addresses are available at [http://usgenweb.org/about/advisoryboard.shtml](http://usgenweb.org/about/advisoryboard.shtml)

**ON THIS DAY IN**  
(22 July 2008) by the NC

With the posting of the Grievance Committee Slate for member comment the Advisory Board is out of executive session.
**HISTORY PROPOSAL**

Next Agenda Item: This Day in History (Educational/Promotional)

Over the last few months, I have been working with our web master to place on our National Pages, a "On this day in history, as gleaned from USGenWeb pages"

A database has been created and I offer this url as an idea of what I envision. The url is presently not on our National pages. It is in a working environment that Linda uses before she places our pages live.

It is my hope that it will be soon featured on our [http://usgenweb.org](http://usgenweb.org) page with the Board's approval.

http://www.cottonhills.com:87/research/index.shtml (We are aware that the above url may not work with all browsers).

To feature USGenWeb Project resources in this manner, I feel will benefit our researchers and feature the vast resources that are part of the USGenWeb Project!

Comments, discussion?

*(28-31 July)*

**Discussion followed:**

(see the following for discussion)


**ADJOURNMENT**

(1 Aug 2008) By the NC

The July 2008 meeting adjourned

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The full text of all BOARD-L messages can be viewed in the [threaded list archives](http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/index/BOARD/) for this list, located at [http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/index/BOARD/](http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/index/BOARD/)
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 Linda Davenport, Secretary.