

Advisory Board Minutes - November 2008

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SESSION OPEN	1 Nov 2008 by the NC
AGENDA	<p>(6 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>Agenda: November, 2008.</p> <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- October Advisory Board minutes - Linda Haas Davenport; -- Contact information inclusion of USGenWeb Project members on their USGenWeb Project pages. <p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Appointment of USGenWeb Project web master - [pending outcome of 'Website maintenance / website host issues' discussion and motion 2008/09-03 - 2008/09/04. Call issued 11/05/2008]; -- Advisory Board Representative to the Election Committee [pending conclusion of agenda item 'Define the scope of the Advisory Board Representative to the Election Committee' - Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008]. (7 Nov 2008) This item was opened and withdrawn from discussion and the agenda: (On AB-Chat by Cyndie Enfinger) -- Define the scope of the Advisory Board Representative to the Election

	<p>Committee [Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008. Re-opened by Chair 9/1/2008];</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Status of the Newsletter Committee and County of the Month; (7 Nov 2008) This item was opened for discussion: (On AB-Chat by the National Coordinator) Archives for AB-Chat is located here: http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/index/USGENWEB-ALL/2008-11 -- Status of Kidz Project; -- Discuss the findings of the Fact Finding Committee; -- Discussion and clarification of the EC role in determining a member's eligibility to vote [Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008]; -- Discussion and clarification of the role and responsibilities of the State Coordinators in helping the Election Committee develop an up-to-date lists of members [Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008]; -- Discuss a procedure / improvement for how the Advisory Board presents and follows an agenda; [Special rule note on this item: SECTION IV. ORDER OF BUSINESS. http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/special-rules.shtml ; -- Following Parliamentary Procedures [Special rule note on this item: SECTION II. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY. http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/special-rules.shtml; -- Implementing Bylaws reviews and putting together a new committee; -- USGenWeb members serving on multiple standing sub committees; -- Non responsive Advisory Board members; -- Educational and Promotional Resources (continued discussion if warranted).
<p>OCTOBER MINUTES</p>	<p>(24 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>he October, 2008 Minutes have been posted for review to the national website at: http://usgenweb.org/business/AB-10-2008.shtml</p> <p>If there is no objection or corrections the minutes will stand approved November 26, 2008, 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>(26 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>Having heard no objection, the October minutes are approved as</p>

presented and are available at

<http://usgenweb.org/business/AB-10-2008.shtml>

Motion 2008/09-04: Webmaster Qualifications

(27 Oct 2008) Motion by Sherri Bradley, 2nd by Ann Allen Geoghegan

Motion reads:

I move that the following webmaster qualifications and duties proposed by the Webmaster Study Group be approved and added to the Standard Rules of the USGenWeb Project.

(for qualifications see -

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/BOARD/2008-10/1225155681>)

(31 Oct 2008) Motion to amend by substitution by Concetta Phillipps)

(see - <http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/BOARD/2008-10/1225462057>)

(1 Nov 2008) By the NC

Due to a lack of second motion to amend by substitution fails for lack a second.

(1 Nov 2008) By the NC - Call to Vote

As there has been no further discussion offered on Motion 2008/09-04, the Chair declares discussion closed.

Please vote on Motion 2008/09-04. If you agree with the motion please signify with Yes, if you disagree please signify with No. Voting will continue until Tuesday, November 4, 2008, 6:00 p.m. EST, unless concluded earlier.

(3 Nov 2008) By the NC - Results of Vote

With 14 members voting Motion 2008/09-04: 'Webmaster Qualifications' passes.

Those voting "Yes": Ann Allen Geoghegan, Mike St. Clair, Sherri Bradley, Larry Flesher, Suzanne Shephard, Cyndie Enfinger, Bettie Wood, Alice Allen, Jason Mendenhall and Denise Wells.

Those voting "No": Scott Burow, Jan Cortez, Concetta Franco Phillipps and Gail Meyer Kilgore.

Those not voting: None

<p>Call for Project Webmaster</p>	<p>(4 Nov 2008) By Sherri Bradley</p> <p>The USGenWeb Project is recruiting a web master and assistant webmaster to maintain its USGenWeb Project National pages. You will find an outline of the qualifications and duties in sections 2, 3 and 5 of Motion 2008/09-04, restated below.</p> <p>If you are interested, please send a short statement of your qualifications and reference urls of sites you host for the Advisory Board to consider.</p> <p>Please send your qualifications to Tina Vickery tsvickery@gmail.com & any or all of these AB members http://usgenweb.org/about/advisoryboard.shtml</p> <p>Your statement will be shared with Advisory Board members.</p> <p>Applications will remain open through Friday, November 14,2008.</p> <p>(For qualification see - http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/BOARD/2008-11/1225855429)</p>
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<p>Call For Newsletter Committee Volunteers</p>	<p>(11 Nov 2008) By Sherri Bradley</p> <p>Based on the discussion on this subject on ABCHAT, the following seems to be the concensus of the Board members to use as the call for Project volunteers interested in serving on the Newsletter Committee.</p> <p>Remaining members of the Committee are invited to remain as a part of the group.</p> <p>Basic requirements for membership on the Newsletter Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Access to computer with desktop publishing, word processing and/or html editing software and internet access. -- Previous experience with newsletters or other publications desirable. -- Excellent writing and text editing skills. -- Graphics/photo-editing skills a plus. -- Excellent communication skills. -- Willingness to be part of a team. -- Understanding of the importance of professionalism. The newsletter is one of the public faces of USGenWeb Project and it is important for it to be professional in content and appearance. It may be used as a recruitment
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	<p>or publicity tool at conferences or sent to organizations that are not currently members for PR purposes, for example.</p> <p>Interested members should send a short statement of your qualifications for the Advisory Board to consider. Please send your qualifications to Tina Vickery tsvickery@gmail.com & any or all of these AB members</p> <p>http://usgenweb.org/about/advisoryboard.shtml</p>
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<p>Status Of Kidz Project</p>	<p>(12 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>For the record:</p> <p>The next agenda item: Status of Kidz Project has been opened on AB-Chat. http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/USGENWEB-ALL/2008-11/1226498093</p> <p>(26 Nov 2008) By Cyndie Enfinger</p> <p>Please feel free to forward to all project lists as appropriate:</p> <p>The Kidz Project is a USGenWeb Special Project with a focus of helping kids learn about genealogy. It will be undergoing to a rehab under the leadership of Dee Pavey in the very near future. If you have an interest in this project as a volunteer or have some ideas for the growth of the project, please contact Dee at Pcmom@aol.com. Initially, the project will need an assistant coordinator and other volunteers may be needed as the project grows.</p> <p>http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~usgwkidz/</p>
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<p>AB Liaison To The National Webmaster And Assistant</p>	<p>(12 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>In anticipation of appointing a Web master and Assistant Web Master for the National pages, I would like to ask for volunteers to serve as the Advisory Board liaison to the Web Master.</p> <p>Advisory Board Representatives who are interested in the position please indicate your willingness by Friday, November14 here on Board-L.</p> <p>A public vote will be conducted to choose the liaison.</p> <p>Following AB Members Volunteered:</p> <p>Denise Wells; Sherri Bradley; Mike St Clair</p> <p>(15 Nov 2008) By the NC</p>

	<p>The following three Board members have volunteered to be the Web master liaison: Sherri Bradley; Mike St. Clair; Denise Wells</p> <p>Please vote for one of the above individuals to serve as the Web Master liaison. This will be a simple majority vote. Votes will remain open until Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 8pm EST unless concluded sooner.</p> <p>(17 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>With all 14 members of the Advisory Board voting, Mike St. Clair is appointed as the Web Master liason. Thank you to all three volunteers for your willingness to serve in this role.</p> <p>Those voting for Mike St. Clair: Alice Allen, Concetta Franco Phillipps, Jason Mendenhall, Gail Meyer Kilgore, Cyndie Enfinger, Mike St. Clair, Larry Flesher and Bettie Wood.</p> <p>Those voting for Sherri Bradley: Scott Burow Jan Cortez, Ann Allen Geoghegan, Suzanne Shephard, Sherri Bradley and Denise Wells.</p> <p>Those voting for Denise Wells: none.</p> <p>Those not voting: none.</p>
<p>Agenda Items Opened For Discussion On ABChat</p>	<p>(16 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>See ABChat - http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/USGENWEB-ALL/2008-11/1226842423</p> <p>The next agenda item was originally opened for discussion on August 23rd. There are actually three items that all pertain to the Election Committee in some fashion, one of them being new business. Would those Board members that placed these items on the agenda, please open the discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Contact information inclusion of USGenWeb Project members on their USGenWeb Project pages. -- Discussion and clarification of the EC role in determining a member's eligibility to vote [Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008]; -- Discussion and clarification of the role and responsibilities of the State Coordinators in helping the Election Committee develop an up-to-date lists of members [Discussion opened by Chair on August 23, 2008].
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>(16 Nov 2008) By the NC</p>

<p>- Webmaster Appointment</p>	<p>The USGenWeb Project Advisory Board has received 4 letters of interest for the Web master and Assistant Web master position. Charles Hartley, Jeff Kemp, Linda Simpson and Adrian Williams.</p> <p>With this note, the Advisory Board is in Executive session to review the letters interest of these candidates.</p> <p>(27 Nov 2008) By the NC</p> <p>With the appointment of Jeff Kemp as our webmaster. The Board is out of Executive session</p>
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<p>Motion 2008/09-05: Appointment Of USGenWeb Project Webmaster</p>	<p>(18 Nov 2008) Motion by Ann Allen Geoghegan, 2nd by Bettie Wood</p> <p>Motion reads:</p> <p>"I make a motion to appoint Jeff Kemp as Webmaster for the USGenWeb Project National Website"</p> <p>(19 Nov 2008) by the NC - Call to Vote</p> <p>As there has been no further discussion offered on Motion 2008/09-05, the Chair declares discussion closed.</p> <p>Please vote on Motion 2008/09-05. If you agree with the motion please signify with Yes, if you disagree please signify with No. Voting will continue until Friday, November 20, 2008, 6:00 p.m. EST, unless concluded earlier.</p> <p>(20 Nov 2008) By the NC - Result of Vote</p> <p>With all 14 members of the Advisory Board voting Jeff Kemp is appointed Web Master for the USGenWeb Project.</p> <p>Thank you Jeff for your willingness to serve the Project in this role. We all look forward to working with you.</p> <p>Those voting yes: Scott Burow, Cyndie Enfinger, Jan Cortez, Alice Allen, Concetta Franco Phillipps, Jason Mendenhall, Gail Meyer Kilgore, Ann Allen Geoghegan, Sherri Bradley, Suzanne Shephard, Denise Wells, Larry Flesher, Bettie Wood and Mike St. Clair.</p> <p>Those voting no: N/A</p> <p>Those not voting: N/A</p>
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<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>(27 Nov 2008) By the NC</p>

	<p>With this note I am adjourning the November, 2008 Advisory Board meeting. I will convene on December meeting on Monday December 1, 2008.</p> <p>My very best wishes to each of you for a safe, happy and joyous Thanksgiving weekend with family and friends!</p>
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