

## Advisory Board Minutes - JANUARY 2008

<p><b>LINKS TO MINUTES JANUARY 2008 SESSION</b></p>	<p><b>JANUARY 2008 MEETING OPENED</b></p> <p><b>JANUARY 2008 AGENDA</b></p> <p><b>MINUTES DECEMBER 2007</b></p> <p><b>ELECTION COMMITTEE OFFICERS</b></p> <p><b>ELECTION COMMITTEE'S 4TH QTR 2007 REPORT</b></p> <p><b>FGS MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p><b>GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR - RESIGNATION</b></p> <p><b>NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE'S 4th QTR 2007 REPORT</b></p> <p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>
<p><b>JANUARY 2008 MEETING OPENED</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 2, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>January meeting opened and called to order</p>
<p><b>JANUARY 2008 AGENDA</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 2, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>Please make any additions or corrections.</p> <p>Old Business:</p> <p>-- Follow-up and conclusion of Friend of the USGenWeb Project logo and National page;</p> <p>-- Continuing discussions with TGN - (meeting to be scheduled next week with a report to the Project);</p> <p>-- TOS/Privacy/Copyright statement proposal - [brought by a member];</p> <p>-- Grievance Committee 3rd Quarter Report - Bob Sweeney;</p> <p>-- Newsletter Committee 3rd Quarter Report - Linda Haas Davenport;</p>

	<p>-- Speakers, Educational and Promotional Resources</p> <p>National page - Follow-up with Linda K. Lewis.</p> <p>New Business:</p> <p>-- December minutes;</p> <p>-- Special Fact Finding Study Group - January Report - Alice Gayley.</p>
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<p><b>MINUTES DECEMBER 2007</b></p>	<p><b>Advisory Board Minutes - December, 2007</b></p> <p>The December minutes have been posted for review to the national website at: <a href="http://www.usgenweb.org/business/AB-12-2007.shtml">http://www.usgenweb.org/business/AB-12-2007.shtml</a></p> <p>If there is no objection or corrections the minutes will stand approved as of January 25, 2008, 6:00 pm.</p>
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<p><b>ELECTION COMMITTEE OFFICERS</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 10, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>The Election Committee announces their officers for 2008.</p> <p>Election Committee Chair: Shirley Cullum</p> <p>Election Committee Publicist Secretary: Paula Vaughan</p> <p>I would like to take this opportunity to thank all out- going Election Committee members. Your service and dedication to the USGenWeb Project is very much appreciated.</p>
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<p><b>ELECTION COMMITTEE'S 4TH QTR 2007 REPORT</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 19, 2007) By the NC</b></p> <p><b>OCTOBER - DECEMBER</b></p>
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During this quarter, the EC had three resignations: Bryant W. Walker, Linda K. Lewis (who became the new Webmaster for the USGW) and Martha Graham. The 2007 term ended with a total of six members, two of whom will be staying for the 2008 term.

Nov. 5: A request from MT-GenWeb was received, asking us to conduct a special election for SC. Three of the EC members volunteered to conduct the election.

On Nov. 11 a new Newsletter went out, and there were a large number of bounces, 199. Many were due to spam filters or were repeat bounces, but with the shortage of EC members this year no one was available to work them.

Dec. 2: A slate of new volunteers was presented to the Advisory Board by National Coordinator Tina Vickery. The motion passed on Dec. 6th and the new members were immediately subscribed to the EC mail list to begin training.

The EC declared Kevin Haddenham the new state SC for Montana on 3 Dec 2007.

Dec. 6: The slate of volunteers was approved by the Advisory Board.

On Dec. 17th The floor was opened for nominations of the Election Committee Chair for 2008. Two members received and accepted the nomination. Due to the holidays the voting period was extended and on Jan. 4, 2008 Shirley Cullum was elected the new chair for the EC. The floor was then turned over to the new chair for the election of the Sec/Pub. The winner was Paula Vaughan by default as she was the only person who accepted nomination.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Jo Branch, Chair

	USGenWeb Election Committee
<p><b>FGS MEMBERSHIP</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 22, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) membership - 2008.</p> <p>The Project has received its 2008 membership from an anonymous donor. Per USGenWeb Project's Standard Rules, as National Coordinator my intent is to accept this generous donation. Unless there is an objection, this donation will be accepted January 24, 2008, 3PM.</p> <p>SECTION VII. MEMBERSHIP IN FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES.</p> <p><a href="http://www.usgenweb.com/volunteers/standard-rules.shtml">http://www.usgenweb.com/volunteers/standard-rules.shtml</a></p> <p>(Adopted March 8, 2007)</p> <p>In the event the Project is offered a donated membership in the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), or other national professional non-profit genealogical organizations, the National Coordinator shall notify the Advisory Board of his/her intent to accept or reject the donation. Unless an objection is registered the National Coordinator's decision will stand.</p> <p><b>(Jan 24, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>Having heard no objection, the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) membership - 2008 is accepted on behalf of the USGenWeb Project. Very sincere appreciation is expressed from the Advisory Board and the Project membership to the anonymous donor</p>
<p><b>GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR -</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 22, 2008) By the NC</b></p>

<p><b>RESIGNATION</b></p>	<p>The Board has received the resignation of Bob Sweeney as Grievance Coordinator.</p> <p>Per <a href="http://www.usgenweb.com/volunteers/standard-rules.shtml#section5">http://www.usgenweb.com/volunteers/standard-rules.shtml#section5</a> the Grievance Committee have chosen by vote, Sharon Craig, as its new Grievance Coordinator.</p> <p>Section 1 - Committee Qualifications &amp; Appointments. "Future appointments as Grievance Coordinator will be by vote of the Grievance Committee members. Elections will be for a two-year term."</p> <p>The Board wishes to thank Bob Sweeney for his service in this role and wishes him all the best in his future endeavors.</p>
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<p><b>NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE'S 4th QTR 2007 REPORT</b></p>	<p><b>(Jan 24, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>Newsletter Committee 4th Qtr 2007 Report</p> <p>Oct 24, 2007: Denise Wells resigned as editor of the Newsletter Committee.</p> <p>Oct 30, 2007: The Advisory Board appointed Linda Davenport as acting Editor to help get the Oct/Nov newsletter out.</p> <p>A new format for the Newsletter was designed.</p> <p>Messages were posted on Discuss requesting Tutorials.</p> <p>Nov 11, 2007: The Oct/Nov 2007 Newsletter was mailed.</p> <p>Nov 2007: Darlene Anderson resigned from the committee.</p> <p>Dec 2007: Linda Lewis resigned from the committee.</p>

	<p>Dec 9, 2007 - First draft for the Dec Newsletter was posted to the NL list. Due to the holidays the Newsletter was tabled until Jan.</p> <p>Linda Davenport Acting Editor USGenWeb Newsletter</p>
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<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p><b>(Feb 1, 2008) By the NC</b></p> <p>January 2008 meeting adjourned and February 2008 meeting opened.</p>
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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.