

Education Committee Minutes

November 2, 2020

Attendees: Dorothy Cotton, Rea Snyder, Barbara Northrop, Barbara Halvorsen, Katie Haugse, Jan Dole, Kim Thurman, Dave McGinnis, Sheila McGinnis, Andrea Patterson and Pat Jenkins

Meeting began at 9:32 AM. Minutes for October meeting were approved without changes.

Andrea reported that work on Annette Burke-Lyttle Seminar is on schedule with 49 registrants. On November 4th there will be a Zoom run through with the speaker, hosts and co-hosts. Publicity for the February 20, 2021 seminar with Steven Morrison will begin as soon as the Burke-Lyttle Seminar ends.

OLLI Classes are on hold until fall of 2021. Speakers felt that without the use of our computers and hands-on mentoring, the class would not be too beneficial to students and not to our advantage.

Programs for General Meetings for Nov & Dec, 2020 and Jan, 2021 were approved.

The Board's Challenge for the Committee to bring in \$7500 in Classes and another \$7500 from the seminars in the next 11 months was discussed. All members were tasked to identify potential classes and speakers. Suggestions were made and some members volunteered to teach classes. At this time we have 2 series (Beginner DNA and Family Tree Maker), 11 confirmed classes (Timelines- Why Bother?, Intro to Genealogy x3, Sources and Citing Unusual Situations, Writing Your Family Story, Maps Your Ancestors, Nectar of the Gods, Planning Your Family Reunion, Canadian Research, and Fold3) and 3 pending confirmation (My Heritage, Family Search and Library Collections).

Sheila, Barbara N and Rea will put together a survey to try to understand the demographics of our membership. This will help with identifying the best times and level of future classes.

A new program was suggested and approved to start in Feb, 2021. The "Let's Talk Genealogy" Roundtable will be held every other month on the third Tuesday evening. It will be an open discussion with topics varying each time.

Jan Dole has agreed to take on coordinating the every other month Brick Wall discussions. Jan, 2021 will be facilitated by Dave Horton.

It was decided that without the excitement felt in the library when a new discovery is found, trying to find and encourage presenters for the Member Faire Affair is difficult. It was decided to put it on hold until the library reopens and then reassess bringing it back.

A Zoom host and co-host class will be held for the Heirloom Genealogy Group in the near future,

Meeting Ended at 10:45AM

Respectfully submitted, Pat Jenkins

Next Meeting Dec 14, 2020 at 9:30 AM