

Advisory Board Minutes – March 2020

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SESSION OPEN 01 March 2020

The February 2020 meeting of the Advisory Board is now hereby adjourned. This note hereby convenes the March 2020 meeting of the Advisory Board.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

**Advisory Board
Minutes for
December 2019 01 March 2020**

The Advisory Board Minutes for December 2019 are now located at the link listed below:

<http://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2019-12.pdf>

PLEASE review and advise if you see any corrections or revisions that might be needed. Otherwise, the Minutes will stand as accepted as of 10:00 am EST on March 5, 2020.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

**Advisory Board
Minutes for
January 2020 01 March 2020**

The Advisory Board Minutes for January 2020 are now located at the link listed below:

<http://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2020-01.pdf>

PLEASE review and advise if you see any corrections or revisions that might be needed. Otherwise, the Minutes will stand as accepted as of 10:00 am EST on March 5, 2020.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

**Payment for
Hostek Bill in
December 2019**

01 March 2020

I noticed that I forgot to advise that the Hostek bill for the usgwelections cold fusion software was paid. The full donation was made by Rebecca Maloney. A huge THANK YOU to Rebecca for supporting The USGenWeb Project elections portion of our project.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

Thanks Rebecca!

Trish Elliott-Kashima
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region
County Coordinator Representative 2017-2021

Thanks Rebecca.

Doreen Harunaga-Ewing
Southwest/South Central Region
County Coordinator Representative 2019-2021

Rebecca, you have my thanks as well.

Dale H. Cook
Northeast/North Central Region
County Coordinator Representative 2018-2021

Absolutely, thank you - very generous.

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2017-2020

Thank you everyone! I love our project and hope to help in many ways :)

Rebecca Maloney

**Election
Committee Slate
of Volunteers
(Request for
Motion to
Approve)**

04 March 2020

The EC respectfully submits the following Slate of prospective EC Members for your approval/disapproval, per Election Committee Procedures Section A, Item 2, par. 2, which states:

"From the list of volunteers, the EC shall select new or replacement members for the EC. This list of volunteers shall then be submitted to the Advisory Board for approval and confirmation. The Advisory Board shall not be allowed to "pick and choose" any individual committee member. Should the Advisory Board disapprove the slate of members in its entirety, the process shall be repeated."

Should the AB approve of the submitted Slate, the EC requests immediate seating of all new EC Members in order to properly train new members, and to elect EC officers for the year 2020-2021.

The volunteers are as follows:

Bernard Freeman - county coordinator for Darke County, OHGenWeb

Norma Hass - multiple counties in Illinois, Alaska, North Dakota, & Arizona

Jan Cortez - multiple counties in Connecticut, Michigan, Wisconsin, & Georgia, state coordinator for Michigan & Connecticut

Natalie Aggarwal - Pension Project

Tina Vickery - multiple counties in Maine, Wisconsin, & Mississippi. SFM for the Archives Project, state coordinator for Main & Wisconsin

Alice Allen - multiple counties in Ohio, Colorado, Washington & Kansas

Pat Asher - multiple counties in Arkansas & Indiana. FM for the Archives Project

Gayle Triller - multiple counties in Minnesota, Oregon, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, South Carolina, Arkansas, Louisiana, & Texas. FM for the Archives Project

May I please hear a motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

I will make a motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2017-2020

I second this motion.

Lesley Shockey
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region
State Coordinator Representative 2017-2020

07 March 2020

I am withdrawing this motion to approve the EC slate by general consent.

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2017-2020

The EC respectfully submits the following Slate of prospective EC Members for your approval/disapproval, per Election Committee Procedures Section A, Item 2, par. 2, which states:

"From the list of volunteers, the EC shall select new or replacement members for the EC. This list of volunteers shall then be submitted to the Advisory Board for approval and confirmation. The Advisory Board shall not be allowed to "pick and choose" any individual committee member. Should the Advisory Board disapprove the slate of members in its entirety, the process shall be repeated."

Should the AB approve of the submitted Slate, the EC requests immediate seating of all new EC Members in order to properly train new members, and to elect EC officers for the year 2020-2021.

The volunteers are as follows:

Jan Cortez - multiple counties in Connecticut, Michigan, Wisconsin, & Georgia, state coordinator for Michigan & Connecticut

Natalie Aggarwal - Pension Project

Tina Vickery - multiple counties in Maine, Wisconsin, & Mississippi. SFM for

the Archives Project, state coordinator for Main & Wisconsin

Alice Allen - multiple counties in Ohio, Colorado, Washington & Kansas

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May I please hear a motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

I move to approve the submitted slate of EC volunteers by general consent.

Linda K. Lewis
Representative at Large 2018-2021

I second Linda motion

Jeff Kemp
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region
County Coordinator Representative 2018-2020

General Consent does not require a motion. The presider merely presents the list to the Board and asks if there is any objection from AB members along with a drop dead date/time. If no objection it is a go. If there is an objection then a motion is required and voting to approve the list.

Mike Peterson
Northwest/Plains Region
Country Coordinator Representative 2016-2020

08 March 2020

I second Linda Lewis' motion to approve the submitted slate of EC volunteers by general consent.

Larry Flesher
Southwest/South Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2017-2020

Mike (and Denise),

I'm sorry, but that is not entirely true.

Per Sturgis (4th edition) p.165:

"Although there is a general principle that a person does not give up any basic rights as a member by becoming an officer, the presiding officer of an assembly cannot propose or second a motion OR NOMINATE A CANDIDATE while presiding." [Emphasis added]

In the case of the EC slate, the NC receives the proposed slate from the EC, but she cannot offer it for approval by general consent or vote. She must ask to hear a motion (since she is precluded from nominating the candidates) before the slate can be presented to the assembly for consideration.

General consent is simply a way of saving time by avoiding votes on routine or noncontroversial matters. It does NOT eliminate the need for a motion to be presented to the assembly.

Pat Asher
USGenWeb Election Committee Member

Pat,
Sorry, but I respectfully disagree, in part, but that is what life is all about I guess. The NC can present the slate to the AB under General Consent providing the words, "if there is no objection" are used. If a member objects, General Consent is killed and the normal motioning follows. Sturgis, 4th Edition, Pages 142, 241-242 refer.

Mike Peterson
Northwest/Plains Region
Country Coordinator Representative 2016-2020

I withdraw my motion to approve the EC slate.

Linda K. Lewis
Representative at Large 2018-2021

Thank you.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

of Volunteers
(Request for
Motion to
Approve)

The EC respectfully submits the following Revised Slate of prospective EC Members for your approval/disapproval, per Election Committee Procedures Section A, Item 2, par. 2, which states:

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Should the AB approve of the submitted Slate, the EC requests immediate seating of all new EC Members in order to properly train new members, and to elect EC officers for the year 2020-2021.

The revised slate we submit for AB approval after the previous withdrawals is now:

Natalie Aggarwal - Pension Project

Tina Vickery - multiple counties in Maine, Wisconsin, & Mississippi.
SFM for the Archives Project, SC for Maine & Wisconsin

Alice Allen - multiple counties in Ohio, Colorado, Washington & Kansas

Pat Asher - multiple counties in Arkansas & Indiana. FM for the Archives Project

Gayle Triller - multiple counties in Minnesota, Oregon, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, South Carolina, Arkansas, Louisiana, & Texas. FM for the Archives Project

Thank you for your consideration.

Pat Asher
EC DM

May I please hear a motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

I make the motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent.

Doreen Harunaga-Ewing
Southwest/South Central Region

County Coordinator Representative 2019-2021

I second the motion

Rebecca Maloney
Northwest/Plains Region
County Coordinator Representative 2019-2021

**MOTION
2019/20-03 -
Motion to
Approve Revised
Election
Committee Slate
of Volunteers**

09 March 2020

Moved by Doreen Harunaga-Ewing, seconded by Rebecca Maloney, dated March 8, 2020, and numbered Motion 2019/20-03, the motion reads as follows:

"I make the motion to approve the EC Slate by general consent."

Such revised slate of volunteers was submitted as follows:

Natalie Aggarwal - Pension Project

Tina Vickery - multiple counties in Maine, Wisconsin, & Mississippi.
SFM for the Archives Project, SC for Maine & Wisconsin

Alice Allen - multiple counties in Ohio, Colorado, Washington & Kansas

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Archives Project

Gayle Triller - multiple counties in Minnesota, Oregon, Delaware,
Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, South Carolina, Arkansas, Louisiana,
& Texas. FM for the Archives Project

Please state if there are any objections.

If there are no objections, the slate will pass in 48 hours, said time to expire on
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., EST.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

Those stating no objection are as follows: Trish Elliott-Kashima; Doreen
Harunaga-Ewing; Larry Flesher; Bob Jenkins; Mike Peterson; Linda K. Lewis;
Jeff Kemp; Jan Bony; David Gochenour; Lesley Shockey.

I was under the opinion that by general consent did not require a comment
unless objected to.

Anyway I will submit my no objection to the general consent. Lesley Shockey

Those not responding: Jane Colmenares; Dale H. Cook; Nancy Janyszeski; Rebecca Maloney.

**RESULTS:
MOTION
2019/20-03 -
Motion to
Approve Revised
Election
Committee Slate
of Volunteers**

13 March 2020

Having heard no objections within the 48 hour time period, the Motion 2019/20-03 Motion to Approve Revised Election Committee Slate of Volunteers has **PASSED** as follows:

Moved by Doreen Harunaga-Ewing, seconded by Rebecca Maloney, dated March 8, 2020, and numbered Motion 2019/20-03, the motion reads as follows:

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Welcome to our new and returning Election Committee Members!

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

**Call for
Additional EC
Volunteers**

13 March 2020

PLEASE READ IN FULL BEFORE REPLYING TO gay...@comcast.net

The Election Committee still needs some additional volunteers. We need at least one more volunteer to take responsibility for a region, i.e. to follow up with the state coordinators to keep their

membership records up-to-date, as well as process nominations for an assigned region during the national election. Our new software has made this job easier and less time consuming, but someone still needs to do it.

We also need someone who has some experience with database software who would be willing to train as a backup to the Dataset Manager. The position of DM requires a commitment of 3 to 5 hours per week during the year; and many more hours during the election period, which starts in April for the EC. The DM also now records and processes the bounce notices for the National Announcement mailing list so familiarity with RFCs (email requirements) would be a plus.

In all of this, teamwork is imperative, which is why the EC looks for good team players. Politics and/or personalities must be set aside when serving on the EC.

If you are interested in helping The USGenWeb Project by being a member of the Election Committee, please email gay...@comcast.net"

DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL – SEE IMMEDIATELY ABOVE

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

Adjournment 01 April 2020

The March 2020 meeting of the Advisory Board is now hereby adjourned. This note hereby convenes the April 2020 meeting of the Advisory Board.

Denise Wells
National Coordinator 2014-2020

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](mailto:Doreen.Harunaga-Ewing), Secretary.