

**Indiana Genealogical Society
Board of Directors Meeting**

29 October 2016

Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Indiana

Michael Maben called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Due to the lack of a quorum, this meeting was held in executive session.

The agenda was accepted as distributed.

Minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as written.

Financial Reports:

- Motion by Ron Darrah to renew the \$50,000 certificate of deposit for 2.5 years at the same interest rate. Seconded by Marlene Polster. Motion carried

Financial reports were approved as written.

New Business:

Discussion of meeting dates. Next scheduled board meeting is 28 January 2017 in Plainfield. No motion.

Approval of Executive Committee actions tabled due to lack of quorum.

2017 Budget Proposal

Michael Maben proposed increasing the speaker fee to \$2250 and eliminating the room rental fee at IHS for the society management seminar.

Discussion about proposed budget deficit.

- Motion by Marlene Polster to approve the budget as amended. Seconded by Ron Darrah. Motion carried as executive committee action.

Continuing Business:

Indiana Genealogy Digitization Project - Ron Darrah reported that 6 units have been delivered; 5 more are scheduled for delivery. To date, two databases from the Paoli Public Library are now on the IGS website as part of this project.

Hendricks County Probate Records Project - Everything should now be unfolded, flattened, and ready to scan. Six boxes are at ACPL ready to scan; the challenge is getting them into the queue. More boxes of ready-to-scan materials are in Plainfield.

2017 IGS Conference – Michael Maben reported that the topics for Tony Burroughs have been selected and that three out of the four speakers for the second track have been selected (Mauri Pratt, Tina Lyons, and Ron Darrah). There will be a box lunch option. Attendees will have free parking in the IPL garage.

Consensus for registration: \$35 for IGS members, \$45 non-members, \$50 at the door (member and non-member).

Michael Maben reported that he will submit the sessions for Indiana LEUs.

Spaces will be available for exhibits and society tables.

Society Management Seminar – Michael Maben reported that planning for the event is ongoing. The seminar will be at HIS the Friday before the annual conference.

2018 Conference and Annual Meeting – Discussion about the date and location. The 2018 FGS conference will be in Fort Wayne; the 2018 NGS conference will be in Grand Rapids, Michigan; and 2018 should be a Midwestern Roots year. Wabash Valley Genealogy Society has expressed interest in hosting the conference in 2019. Suggestions for locations included Evansville, New Albany, and Jeffersonville. Michael Maben reported that he would investigate options and report back at the next meeting.

2017 Elections – The northern tier of directors and the officers are up for election in 2017. Michael Maben will term out as president. Adam Walters has reported that he will not be running again for Recording Secretary.

FindMyPast – Curt Witcher reported that he is continuing discussions with FindMyPast regarding PERSI and inclusion of IGS periodicals.

Other Continuing Business – Michael Maben reported that he will look for volunteers to study the possibility of live webinars for society management topics.

Ron Darrah gave a demonstration of the Indiana Genealogy Digitization Project kits.

Reports:

In addition to the written reports submitted:

- Historian: Jen Alford is working on an IGS history
- Honors and Awards: 1 application for awards has been received
- Library Staff Educational Scholarship: 1 application for the librarian scholarship has been received
- Membership: Curt Witcher reported that he would like to find a replacement for someone to process memberships. Renewals are starting to come in.
- Publications: Social Media: Amy Crow reported that she is focusing efforts on Facebook and Twitter. Will make a proposal for Facebook ads for membership and the conference.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Johnson Crow,
Recording Secretary pro tem