

# **Minutes of the QCGC Board Meeting of January 11, 2023**

## **Kino Conference Room**

**Attendees:** Pam Williams, Margie Barber, Norma Schellberg, Mary-Lynn Dubray, Judie Fry, Bobbi Gordon, Mark Hester, Janice Messer, Dick Sussman

**Absent:** John Gelber

President Pam Williams called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Approval of the Minutes:** The Minutes of the December 14, 2022 Board Meeting and the January 4, 2023 General Meeting were approved as presented.

**Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Margie Barber reported that we should refer to her report as of December 31, 2022 given and approved at the General Meeting on January 4, 2023. She suggested that in the future, since the new date of the General meetings has been changed to the first Wednesday of the month, she would prepare the Treasurer's Reports as of the last day of the preceding month and present them for approval at the General Meetings.

Margie also reported that she could not find her personal laser pointer. She reported that she purchased a laser pointer for the Club using the Club's debit card.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Membership/Communication Chair Dick Sussman reported that our membership has been growing. His records show that we now have over 80 members. Pam only has 74 on her list, so they will compare notes and work that out together. Dick will send out a reminder to the membership that annual dues should be paid by January 31<sup>st</sup>. Pam thanked him for the 2023 Calendar of Club events he posted on the website. A discussion then followed regarding the raffle prize drawing for members who have paid their dues by January 31<sup>st</sup>. A prize suggested was a subscription to Family Tree magazine.
- Education Chair Mary-Lynn Dubray announced she has asked some people to join her committee. The first meeting will be held on January 26, 2023.
- A discussion followed regarding the room configuration for our General meeting on January 4, 2023. The question was whether just the Ocotillo Room was large enough, or in the future should the door be opened into the Mesquite Room in case we have a bigger crowd. Both rooms are reserved. Pam or Bobbi will check on the possibility of having the door opened a bit and then it could be pushed

open more if needed. Speaker Chair Janice Messer reported that our February General Meeting speaker will be Pam Williams and our March General meeting speaker will be Mark Hester. Both will speak about their experience using DNA in their genealogical research but will each approach it from a different perspective. Pam asked for speaker ideas for our April and May meetings. After a discussion, an idea for April is a possible panel of about five “experts” on the topic of working on “brick walls”. For May, due to it being the month of Memorial Day, perhaps a Military theme would be appropriate.

- Resource Chair Judie Fry said she will continue to send out research website suggestions. She reminded us to check out Family Search’s RootsTech 2023 Conference taking place on March 2-4. It can be attended online or in person.
- Social Events Chair Bobbi Gordon reported that we have not yet planned a spring event. At the December Board meeting, John Gelber offered his home/backyard for this event. Due to his absence today, Bobbi said she will contact him about that possibility. An alternative mentioned was to have it in the Quail Creek pickleball ramada. It was suggested that it be held in March before the Club’s snowbird members leave for their summer homes.

### **Old Business:**

- Mark Hester gave a follow-up report on a possible research field trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. He has left a message for a member on the Board of the Southern AZ Genealogical Society (SAGS) to find out if they may want to join us in coordinating a trip. So far, he had not heard back from them. He suggested that January or February 2024 would be a good time for this trip since it is likely to be less crowded there at that time. He also mentioned the Temple Square Hotel near the Library as a good place to stay.
- Pam will ask John Gelber the status of the new version of our Bylaws.

It was moved, seconded, and approved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Norma Schellberg, Secretary