

Advisory Board Minutes – August 2021

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SESSION OPEN

01 August 2021

The July 2021 meeting of the Advisory Board is now hereby adjourned. This note hereby convenes the August 2021 meeting of the Advisory Board.

Denise Wells
Acting NC
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

Fwd: 2021 Election Results

02 August 2021

Below please see the results of our 2021 Election. It appears also that both Amendments have passed.

Please forward to appropriate lists now.

Thank you.

Denise Wells
Acting NC
AB Representative at Large

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Election Committee** <pjr...@att.net>

Date: Mon, Aug 2, 2021 at 3:50 PM

Subject: 2021 Election Results

To: Denise Wells <ncusg...@gmail.com>

Cc: Tina Vickery <tsvi...@gmail.com>, Election Committee <usgw-el...@googlegroups.com>

To Denise Wells, Acting NC

*** Please post these results to Board-L and forward as appropriate to USGenWeb Mail lists ***

The USGW Election Committee would like to thank all of the candidates and voters for participating in the election process. Below are the results of the 2021 National Election.

Total Members: 1088
Registered to Vote: 740 (68.02%)
Passwords Sent: 128 (17.30%)
Eligible National Coordinator: 740 - Voted: 112 (15.14%)
Eligible Rep at Large: 740 - Voted: 102 (13.78%)
Eligible Special Projects: 94 - Voted: 28 (29.79%)
Eligible NENC CC: 239 - Voted: 36 (15.06%)
Eligible NWPL CC: 151 - Voted: 36 (23.84%)
Eligible NWPL SC: 20 - Voted: 14 (70.00%)
Eligible SEMA CC: 248 - Voted: 38 (15.32%)
Eligible SWSC CC: 192 - Voted: 44 (22.92%)

The EC declares Linda K. Lewis the winner.
National Coordinator: Linda K. Lewis (100.00%)

The EC declares Taneya Koonce the winner.
Representative at Large: Taneya Koonce (100.00%)

The EC declares Rebecca Maloney the winner.
Special Projects: Rebecca Maloney (100.00%)

The EC declares Dale Cook the winner.
NENC CC: Dale Cook (100.00%)

The EC declares Martha Graham the winner.
NWPL CC: Martha Graham (100.00%)

The EC declares David Gochenour the winner.
NWPL SC: David Gochenour (100.00%)

The EC declares Trish Elliott-Kashima the winner.
SEMA CC: Trish Elliott-Kashima (100.00%)

The EC declares Doreen Harunaga-Ewing the winner.
SWSC CC (2 yr term): Doreen Harunaga-Ewing (100.00%)

The EC declares Mary Alice Schwanke the winner.

SWSC CC (1 yr term): Mary Alice Schwanke (100.00%)

The EC declares Bylaw Amendment #1 has passed.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment #1:

Shall Article XI. LOCAL PROJECTS, Section C. be amended to remove the requirement for an area devoted to queries?

Yes: 93 (89.42%)

No: 11 (10.58%)

The EC declares Bylaw Amendment #2 has passed.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment #2:

Shall Article XII. STATE PROJECTS, Section B. be amended to remove the requirement of a link to the WorldGenWeb Project?

Yes: 100 (93.46%)

No: 7 (6.54%)

Pat Asher

EC Dataset Manager

Congratulations to all. Looking forward to serving with some of you again and some of you who will be new to the Advisory Board in September. Will be sorry to see Denise Wells and Bob Jenkins leaving us and best of luck to them in their continued service to the Project in many ways. And it's great to get rid of a couple nuisance bylaws and hoping to see more of that in the future.

Sincerely,

Mike Peterson

Northwest/Plains Region

Country Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

03 August 2021

Thank you, Mike. It has been my pleasure to participate with the Advisory Board.

Denise Wells

Acting NC

AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

**2020/21 July
Advisory Board
Minutes**

07 August 2021

Please review the 2020/21 July Advisory Board Minutes and advise if corrections or revisions are needed.

<http://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2021-07.pdf>

These Minutes will stand as accepted as of August 9, 2021, at 2:00 PM if no corrections are heard.

Denise Wells
Acting NC
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

Might be me but I can't open the link.

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

It's you, I think. I just opened it. You can always go to the national pages, about us, bylaws, minutes. It's in the 2021 link and July.

Thanks.

Denise Wells
Acting NC
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

Thanks, for some reason I can only open in an incognito window, but it opened.

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

08 August 2021

The only possible change I see is...
2021 Jul Website Review Special Committee Report
The other months are spelled out.

Nancy Janyszeski
Northeast/North Central Region
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

Thank you, Nancy.

Denise Wells
Acting NC
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

**Designation of
Denise Wells as
Acting Presiding
Officer**

09 August 2021

I will now resume the duty of Presiding Officer of the Advisory Board.

Thank you Denise Well, RAL, for graciously serving as Presiding Officer during my absence.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2020-2021

Welcome back !!!

Mike Peterson
Northwest/Plains Region
Country Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

Fabulous! The only response regarding the July Minutes has come from Nancy.

Denise Wells
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

**2021 Aug Website
Review Special
Committee Report**

15 August 2021

Below is the August report of the Website Review Special Committee, submitted for the record on 8/15/2021, by Rebecca Maloney, Chair.

All members of USGenWeb AB are invited to provide discussion and feedback on proposals to update our webpages.

A Special Committee is seated to research necessary updates to USGenWeb pages. The Committee now has completed the review of the webpages for necessary updates.

We were going to submit one more update after the election but Assistant Webmaster Norma already notified the board of the necessary changes after the election.

We all thank you for the opportunity to work on this project!

Per Motion 2020/21-11 Amended Website Review Special Committee, the term of the Special Committee is complete. With all requested goals completed, the Special Committee is hereby dissolved.

Thank you very much to Rebecca Maloney (Chair), Martha Graham, Nancy Janeszski, MaryAlice Schwanke, and Tim Stowell for all their hard work to keep our National website content relevant and up-to-date. Their work was a great service to our Project and to the Advisory Board.

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2020-2021

ANNOUNCEMENT: 15 August 2021

**Annual Call for
USGenWeb Web
Manager(s) for
2021/22 Term**

*** PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL PROJECT LISTS ***

Per Article XI of the Standard Rules, the Advisory Board hereby issues a call for volunteers for the USGenWeb Web Manager position to serve for the 2021/22 term (9/1/2021 - 8/31/2022).

The website manager, and assistant (if any), serve as trusted technical assistants to the Advisory Board and are responsible for maintenance of the Project website under the direction of the National Coordinator.

The requirements for USGenWeb Web Manager are detailed in STANDARD RULE XI: MOTION 2008/09-04: 'WEBMASTER QUALIFICATIONS' <https://www.usgenweb.org/about/standardrules.html>

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR INTEREST TO THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR, webm...@cottonhills.com, WITHIN 15 DAYS OF THE POSTING OF THIS ANNOUNCEMENT. THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MIDNIGHT, TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021.

Please include an introduction, length of time developing and maintaining websites, and links to project websites you created and manage that you wish to highlight as examples of your ongoing work.

Thank you,

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2020-2021

ANNOUNCEMENT: 16 August 2021

**Website Updates for
Bylaws Amendments**

The Bylaws, Guidelines, and Proposed Amendments pages are updated on the National website to reflect the recent passage of two Bylaw amendments, in preparation for the upcoming 2021/22 term.

Thank you web manager Marsha Bryant, for keeping up with the daily website changes to support the proposals. Your responsiveness was key to the communication needed to get them on the annual ballot. Thank you to

asst. web manager Norma Hass, for helping us identify and update all content areas impacted by the results.

Bylaws: <https://www.usgenweb.org/about/bylaws.html>

Guidelines: <https://www.usgenweb.org/volunteers/scccguidelines.html>

Proposed

Amendments: <https://www.usgenweb.org/about/proposedamendments.html>

See <https://usgenweb.org/usgwelections/results.html> for election results.

Linda K. Lewis

National Coordinator 2020-2021

ANNOUNCEMENT: 17 August 2021

**New USGenWeb
Brochure**

The USGenWeb Advisory Board published an updated Project brochure to reflect our 25th anniversary: https://www.usgenweb.org/volunteers/brochures/usgenweb_brochure2021.pdf

While we may not have in-person genealogy conventions today, some people still go to libraries to do in-person research. Please consider printing a couple of brochures to leave at your own local library the next time you visit to help promote our Project.

Linda K. Lewis

National Coordinator 2020-2021

Adjournment

31 August 2021

The August 2021 meeting of the Advisory Board is now adjourned and the 2020/21 term is concluded.

Thank you to the Advisory Board members for a collegial, productive term. Special thanks to outgoing Advisory Board members Bob Jenkins, and Denise Wells, for their input and attentive service this term. And most of all, thank you to all our Members for their continued support of our Project.

I want to personally thank Denise Wells, on behalf of the entire Project, for her years of service on the Advisory Board. Denise served 3 terms (6 years) as SEMA CC Rep (2008/09-2013/14), 6 terms as National Coordinator (2014/15-2019/20), and one term as RAL (2020/21). One of her biggest and toughest accomplishments as our National Coordinator was leading our Project through the major Rootsweb outage to new hosting options and mail list models. The Advisory Board won't be the same without her. Thank you, Denise, for all you give to our Project!

Linda K. Lewis
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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](#), Secretary.