



# The Surname Society

Minutes of Committee Meeting held online on Saturday Dec 14, 2019, at 4 pm GMT

Present: Kirsty Gray (Chair, UK), Sylvia Valentine (Vice Chair, UK), Carole Steers (Social Network Co-ordinator, UK), Lynda Chiotti (Secretary, Canada)

Apologies: None

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
<i>Minutes &amp; Actions Arising</i>	Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as distributed. Actions completed: 2019/24 to 2019/31	
	Action on hold: 2019/32 - KG will approach Mary Rix again in future.	2019/32 KG
	Re: 2019/24 - LC will approach Colin again to elicit instructions that will help us recruit a volunteer.	2019/33 LC
	Re: 2019/31 - KG circulated a quote for pins by email. Moved by KG, seconded by CSt to purchase 300 pins for distribution to all members current as of the 2020 AGM. Carried.	2019/34 KG
<i>Postholder Reports</i>	No finance report available. KG reported current holdings as £4239.29.	
<i>Social Media</i>	CSt reported little response from increased use of questions on social media. She will follow up on #oneplacewednesday approach used by The Society for One-Place Studies.	2019/35 CSt
<i>AGM &amp; Conference</i>	The draft notice to members was approved, amended to note the posts vacant and the urgent appeal for volunteers. Final draft will be circulated by email before Jan 4. SV noted she will not be continuing as Vice Chair.	2019/36 LC
	There was discussion of the question of remuneration for conference speakers. In the past, they spoke gratis, in exchange for placement of their talk in the Legacy library, with 50% of that commission. It was agreed to continue that offer and communicate it to Maurice Gleason, who had inquired.	2019/37 LC

<i>Webinars</i>	KG will seek a presenter for January, as Feb and March are covered. There was discussion of topics, including German, Scottish or South African research.	2019/37 KG
	LC will set up webinars for Jan, Feb 2020.	2019/38 LC
<i>Publicity/ Promotion</i>	CSt reported on the inquiry from Family Tree Live 2020 as to whether we would participate. It was agreed this would not be financially viable.	2019/39 CSt
	Mandy can provide Moo cards for LC's upcoming visit to Australia.	2019/40 LC
<i>Projects</i>	See action above 2019/24: idea to provide more value from video library requires some technical help.	
<i>Other Business</i>	None	
<i>Future Meetings</i>	Jan. 11, 2020, 4 pm GMT.	
<i>Adjournment</i>	Meeting adjourned at 5 pm GMT.	