

# Advisory Board Minutes – July 2022

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### 2022 Jun Advisory Board Meeting Adjourned / 2022 Jul Advisory Board Meeting Convened

**01 July 2022**

The June 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board is adjourned and the July 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board is now convened.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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### USGenWeb Project National Election 2022

**01 July 2022**

Dear USGenWeb Project Member,

Voting will be open July 1, 2022 at 12M Central Time and will run until July 31, 2022 11:59pm Central Time. In order to get your voting password go to <http://www.usgwelections.org/GetVoterPassword.cfm>

If you have forgotten your Registration user id and password, enter your email address on file with the Election Committee and your log in information will be sent to you.

If you are registered under an old email to which you no longer have access, contact the Chair, Tina Vickery [tsvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tsvi...@gmail.com) or the Dataset Manager, Pat Asher [pjr...@att.net](mailto:pjr...@att.net)

Please -- Do not wait until the last few days before the election ends before contacting the EC about a password. The EC will make every effort to see that all registered voters have an opportunity to vote; but last minute requests may not allow the EC enough time to make the changes that are necessary before a voting password can be sent to a different email address.

Thank you for participating in the USGenWeb Project National Election.

Tina Vickery  
Chair  
Election Committee 2021-2022

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**2021/22 Jul Order of Business**    **01 July 2022**

Per Article IV. of the Special Rules, the Order of Business is as follows:

Minutes

Announcements

- 2022 National Election: Voting Open until July 31, 2022, 11:59pm Central Time

Statement of USGenWeb Donation Funds

Continuing Business

- Status of USPTO Petition to Director for 3936386 renewal

New Business

- Election Committee Quarterly Report
- Grievance Committee Quarterly Report
- AB-Assisted Elections Report
- Renewal of USGenWeb domain names

Adjournment

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**Jun Statement of USGenWeb Donation Funds**

**01 July 2022**

For the record:

The June statement is resubmitted today, for the July record. This statement was inadvertently submitted prior to the end of June.

Jun 2022 **Beginning Balance: \$281.69**  
Jun 2022 Donations: \$40.00  
Jun 2022 Expenses: \$0.00  
Jun 2022 **Ending Balance: \$321.69**

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**USPTO SM 3936386 01 July 2022**  
**Status**

For the record:

As of July 1, 2022, no new documents or updates were posted in response to the USPTO Petition to Director filed on 2/26/2022.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**Project Domain 02 July 2022**  
**Names Renewed**

For the record:

I am excited to announce that the Project domain names are renewed through July 2025. This was made possible by the generous donations of many Project members over the past 2+ years.

On behalf of the entire Project, thank you for your support!

**7/1/2022 GoDaddy order # [2239651050](#)**

[USGENWEB.ORG](#) (3-yrs), expires 9/17/2025: \$(62.97)

[USGENWEB.NET](#) (3-yrs), expires 9/27/2025: \$(65.97)

[USGWELECTIONS.ORG](#) (3-yrs), expires 11/20/2025: \$(62.97)

[USGENWEB.COM](#) (2-yrs), expires 7/9/2025: \$(39.98)

Renewal Fees: \$(1.98)

**Total Renewal Expense: (\$233.87)**

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

Good Morning,  
Well Done, Linda  
Thankyou to all who donated to make it happen.

Martha A. Graham  
Northwest/Plains Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

Excellent thanks for the update

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

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**June 2021/22  
Advisory Board  
Minutes**

**04 July 2022**

Please review the 2021/22 June Advisory Board Minutes and advise if corrections or revisions are needed.

<https://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2022-06.pdf>

These Minutes will stand as accepted as of June 6, 2022, at 11:59 PM if no corrections are heard.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**AB-Assisted  
Elections Q2 Report**

**05 July 2022**

For the record:

The Advisory Board facilitated the following State election in 2Q2022.

MAGenWeb

- Conducted by: Nancy Janyszeski, MaryAlice Schwanke, Martha Graham
- Nominations: Dale H. Cook
- Winner: Dale H. Cook

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**Retirement of  
GenEvents Special  
Project**

**07 July 2022**

A new item of business comes to us from Rebecca Maloney, GenEvents PC. Rebecca adopted the GenEvents Project 3 years ago to try and bring it back to life after it was vacant for many years. Despite all her efforts, it seems there is no interest in this website and it may be best in our Project's best interests to retire GenEvents.

**Rebecca, would you please present your experience, findings, and recommendations for the GenEvents Project?**

After Rebecca's presentation, the floor is open for comments, questions, and discussion through Sat., July 9, 2022, at 11:59 PM.

Questions to consider for discussion:  
Is the GenEvents project still relevant today?  
Is maintaining GenEvents the best use of volunteer resources for our Project?

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

Thank you Linda.

I've been working continuously on USGenWeb GenEvents.  
It takes a lot of time to find events and add them to the calendar.  
I've promoted the project thru FB, and throughout USGenWeb to find people and or organizations that would add me to mailing lists of events but after 3 years I only have one genealogy society that contacts me when they have events.  
The analytics for the site show that no more than 10 visitors a month.

I have exhausted my knowledge and feel like this project is no longer worth the time that it takes to manage it.

Please feel free to ask me anything!

Rebecca Maloney  
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

First of all, I would like to thank Rebecca for the time and effort she has put into the project. I think her website presentations have been very professional looking. I understand her frustrations.  
I have asked for comments from the NWPL Region and will follow up on the 9th.

Thanks again, Rebecca.

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

Good Evening,  
I wish to echo Mike's thanks to Rebecca, she has gone 'above and beyond' with regard to the Gen Events Project. I voiced my thoughts when it was first mentioned. I stand by them and wish to add that given the length of time and effort expended with almost no success, I believe our Volunteer Resources are better put to use elsewhere.

Time to bring it to a close with thanks to Rebecca and her Assistant, Linda Simpson.

Martha A. Graham  
Northwest/Plains Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

**08 July 2022**

Hello all and thank you Rebecca. I also had voiced my thoughts and agree with Martha. Too much time invested for very little return.

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

**09 July 2022**

I have not received any comments/suggestions from NWPL region that involve keeping genevents and I personally don't have a desire to keep based on the input from Rebecca.

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENT: 12 July 2022**  
**2022 USGenWeb**  
**Project National**  
**Election - Voting**  
**ends 7/31/2022**

\*\*\* PLEASE SHARE WITH ALL MEMBERS \*\*\*

----- Original Message -----

From: [tvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tvi...@gmail.com)

To: [webm...@cottonhills.com](mailto:webm...@cottonhills.com)

Date: 07/12/2022 8:10 PM

Subject: 2022 USGenWeb Project National Election - Voting ends 7/31/2022

Dear USGenWeb Project Member,

Voting opened July 1, 2022 at 12M Central Time and will continue until July 31, 2022 11:59pm Central Time. In order to get your voting password go to <http://www.usgwelections.org/GetVoterPassword.cfm>

If you have forgotten your Registration user id and password, enter your email address on file with the Election Committee and your log in information will be sent to you.

If you are registered under an old email to which you no longer have access, contact the Chair, Tina Vickery [tsvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tsvi...@gmail.com) or the Dataset Manager, Pat Asher [pjr...@att.net](mailto:pjr...@att.net)

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Thank you for participating in the USGenWeb Project National Election.

Tina Vickery  
Chair, USGenWeb Project Election Committee

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**Motion to Retire  
GenEvents Special  
Project**

**10 July 2022**

The GenEvents Retirement discussion period is now concluded. Rebecca's recommendation is to retire the GenEvents Special Project (<http://usgenwebsites.org/genevents/>) due to a lack of support and viewer interest.

May I hear a motion to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects?

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

I will make a motion to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects

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

**12 July 2022**

I second the motion

Rebecca Maloney  
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

This motion was in error, it is rescinded.

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

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**Motion 2021/22-13  
Retirement of  
GenEvents Special  
Project**

**10 July 2022**

Moved by Nancy Janyszeski, seconded by Jeffrey Kemp, dated July 10, 2022, and numbered as Motion 2021/22-13, the motion reads:

I will make a motion to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects.

Is there any discussion? If so, state your request for discussion.  
If no discussion is needed, respond "No Discussion".

The discussion period will be open for 48 hours and conclude on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 11:59 PM EDT.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

No discussion.

Trish Elliott-Kashima  
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No Objection.

Martha A. Graham  
Northwest/Plains Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No Discussion.

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

No objection.

Nancy Janyszeski  
Northeast/North Central Region



State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No discussion.

Doreen Harunaga-Ewing  
Southwest/South Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No discussion

Rebecca Maloney  
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

No discussion.

Mary Ann Lubinsky  
Northeast/North Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No discussion.

Linda Simpson  
Southwest/South Central Region  
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No discussion.

Taneya Koonce  
AB Representative at Large 2021-2023

### **11 July 2022**

No discussion.

David Gochenour  
Northwest/Plains Region  
State Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

### **12 July 2022**

No discussion.

MaryAlice Schwanke  
Southwest/South Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

13 July 2022

No objection

Jeff Kemp  
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

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**Point of Order:  
Motion 2021/22-13  
Retirement of  
GenEvents Special  
Project**

**12 July 2022**

A point of order was brought to my attention. The second to the motion 2021/22-13 was not recorded on Board-L. The point is well taken and this motion ruled is out of order. A new motion and second are now required.

**May I hear a motion, by general consent, to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects?**

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

I will make a motion, by general consent, to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects.

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

I second the motion

Rebecca Maloney  
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

Moved by Nancy Janyszeski, seconded by Rebecca Maloney, dated July 12, 2022, and numbered Motion 2021/22-13A, the motion reads:

"I will make a motion, by general consent, to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects."

Please state if there are any objections, or respond No Objection.

If there are no objections heard within 48 hours the motion will pass.  
**The response period expires Thursday, July 14, 2022, at 11:59 p.m., EDT.**

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

No objection.

Dale H. Cook  
Northeast/North Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No objection.

Martha A. Graham  
Northwest/Plains Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No Objection.

MaryAlice Schwanke  
Southwest/South Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No objection.

Doreen Harunaga-Ewing  
Southwest/South Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

**13 July 2022**

No Objection.

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

No objection.

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

No objection.

Jeff Kemp  
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No objection.

David Gochenour  
Northwest/Plains Region  
State Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No objection

Trish Elliott-Kashima  
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2021-2023

No objection.

Mary Ann Lubinsky  
Northeast/North Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No objection

Linda Simpson  
Southwest/South Central Region  
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No objection.

Linda Blum-Barton  
Southeast/Mid-Atlantic Region  
State Coordinator Representative 2020-2022

No objection.

Taneya Koonce  
AB Representative at Large 2021-2023

**14 July 2022**

No objections

Rebecca Maloney  
Special Projects Representative 2021-2023

**15 July 2022**

With all members responding within the allotted time period and having heard no objections, the motion passes. The Election Committee is

requested to remove this project from the rolls, and the web management team is requested to update the Special Projects page on the Project website.

**Motion:** "I will make a motion to retire GenEvents as a member of USGenWeb Special Projects."

Members voting "No Objection":

Dale H. Cook, NENC CC  
Martha Graham, NWPL CC  
MaryAlice Schwanke, SWSC CC  
Doreen Harunaga-Ewing, SWSC CC  
Mike Peterson, NWPL CC  
Nancy Janyszeski, NENC SC  
Jeff Kemp, SEMA CC  
David Gochenour, NWPL SC  
Trish Elliott-Kashima, SEMA CC  
Mary Ann Lubinsky, NENC CC  
Linda Simpson, SWSC SC  
Linda Blum-Barton, SEMA SC  
Taneya Koonce, RAL  
Rebecca Maloney, SP

Members who did not respond: (none)

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**EC Quarterly  
Report 2Q2022**

**17 July 2022**

Alice Allen, EC Pub/Sec, submitted the enclosed EC Quarterly report, for the record.

----- Original Message -----

From: Alice Allen  
Date: 07/13/2022 10:00 PM  
Subject: 2nd Quarter EC Report

Election Committee report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter (April-June) 2022

New Members: 3

Left the Project: 34

Deaths Reported:

- Suzanne Yelton Shephard; KYGW, Archives
- Jan Cortez, MI State Coordinator

Total Members: 990

Registered to Vote: 655  
Unresolved Email bounces: 3  
The EC assisted with processing nominations for the upcoming elections for the Advisory Board in June.  
Alice Allen  
EC Secretary

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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**Adjournment****01 August 2022**

The July 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board is adjourned and the August 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board is now convened.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2021-2022

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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.