

**Call to Order:** Cari Taplin called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. There were 36 members and five guests present.

**Officer Reports:**

*Secretary* – Karlene summarized the minutes of the 4 January 2011 meeting. The full report of the minutes is available on the BGS website.

**Committee Reports:**

*Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies* – Betsy Imig reported on the Council’s current project of indexing the 1885 Colorado census for FamilySearch.org and encouraged members to volunteer. She also reminded us of the Colorado Genealogical Society’s spring seminar on 19 March 2011 which will feature the Rev. Dr. David McDonald.

*Program* – No one has volunteered to be Program Chair, so Cari will form a committee which will meet twice a year to plan BGS programs. A sign-up sheet was circulated.

*Quarterly* – Dina Carson reported that BGS spent \$1700 more than it collected in 2010. As a way to save on postage and printing, the Board made the following recommendation: **The BGS Quarterly will be issued in electronic form on a quarterly basis and available to all members. It will be issued in hard copy on an annual basis to those members who pay the higher dues. Motion passed.**

*Standing Rules* – The board has posted updated standing rules for BGS on the website. Cari asked members to read these before the next meeting when they will be discussed and voted upon.

**Announcements:**

- This was Ralph Anderson’s last meeting. He will be moving to North Carolina.
- The Colorado Family History Expo will be held 24-25 June 2011 in Loveland.
- The June program will feature Harry Ross, from the CCGS, talking about the 1885 indexing project.
- The April “You Asked For It” program will be on planning a research trip.
- Tim Ostwald announced the spring seminar of the Palatines to America to be held 16 April 2011 at the Holiday Inn in Lakewood. Featured speaker will be Warren Bittner.

**Program:** Cari introduced Kristin Anderson who presented the program, “Celebrate Macky! A History of the Early Years.”

**Refreshments:** Provided by Betsy Imig, Linda Paris and Karlene Ferguson

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Karlene Howell Ferguson, Recording Secretary