Advisory Board Minutes - October 2004

Approved October 11, 2004

Call to Order – October session	(10-04-04) The October Meeting of the Advisory Board of The USGenWeb Project was called to order by National Coordinator Shari Handley. Agenda, October 2004 1. **Call to order - done 10/4/04** 2. **Approval of Minutes** 3. **RAL Appointment** 4. **Clarification of Logo Requirements** 5. **Revocation of Eagle Millenium Logo** 6. **New EC Members** 7. **Important Notice** 8. **3rd Quarter Report from Election Committee** 9. **USGenWeb IRC Chats** 10. **Results of Stowell Hearing and Voting** 11. **Eagle Millenium Logo** 12. **Great Press** 13. **Adjournment**
Approval of Minutes - September 2004 Minutes	(10-23-04) By general consent, the minutes of the September 2004 meeting of the Advisory Board were approved as written.
Motion 4-18 - RAL Appointment	(10-13-04) Representative David W. Morgan moved and Cyndi Enfinger

seconded

that Betsy Mills be appointed Representative-at-Large, the term to run until August 31, 2005.

There was no discussion.

(10-13-04) The motion passed with 13 "yes" votes, 0 "no" votes, no abstentions, and 1 member not voting.

Those voting YES: Angie Rayfield, Linda Blum-Barton, Cyndie Enfinger, Darilee Bednar, Bettie Wood, Jan Cortez, Kathi Jones-Hudson, Don Kelly, Larry Flesher, Teri Brown, Denise Woodside, David Morgan, Gail Meyer Kilgore

Those voting NO:

Those abstaining:

Those not voting: Richard Howland

Additional Comments:

(10-14-04) NC Shari Handley posted the following:

With Betsy settling in and getting acclimated, I'd like to take a few moments to also thank the other candidates who were willing to step in and fill the RAL spot. Without the poll, I suspect the AB would have had a very difficult time choosing from among the excellent field of applicants. It makes us wish we didn't have to choose just one person!

Thank you for your willingness to serve. Thank you for your concern and enthusiasm for USGenWeb. All of our USGenWeb volunteers are appreciated, but it takes special people to step forward and say, "Yes! I'll do it!" to the sometimes difficult work of the AB. Thank you all,

	again.

| **Motion 4-19 – Clarification of Logo Requirements** | (10-17-04) Gail Meyer Kilgore moved and David W. Morgan seconded that

The requirements regarding our project logo and its placement are defined in The USGenWeb Bylaws, but questions over the years have made it clear that some clarification is in order. Therefore, the following policy statement is hereby adopted in support of and in addition to the information in the bylaws:

Every USGenWeb-affiliated web site must display an official USGenWeb logo prominently, on the home page (also sometimes known as the index page), in such a way that it will be clear and obvious to visitors that the site is a part of The USGenWeb Project. The USGenWeb logo used must be of sufficient size that it can be plainly seen, and must be a good, clean copy of the logo with crisp edges and resolution. Official USGenWeb logos may not be altered, and only those logos found of the official USGenWeb Logos page (http://www.usgenweb.org/volunteers/logos.shtml) may be used.

The term "prominently", when used above to describe proper display of the logo, means that the logo must be displayed on the main, or opening page of the site. If the site uses a lead-in page (sometimes known as a"splash page"), the logo must also be displayed prominently on the destination page linked to from the lead-in.

The term "home page" means the web page whose URL is linked to from its supervisory site. (i.e., for county sites, the URL linked at the state XXGenWeb listing of county web sites; for state-level special project sites, the URL linked to from the national special project site; for state sites or national special project sites, the URL linked at the national USGenWeb listing of state or special project web sites.)

Discussion ensued. |

	The motion failed with 6 "yes" votes, 5 "no" votes, no abstentions, and 4 members not voting. Those voting YES: Gail Meyer Kilgore, David W. Morgan, Linda Blum-Barton, Don Kelly, Darilee Bednar, Teri Brown Those voting NO: Jan Cortez, Angie Rayfield, Cyndie Enfinger, Bettie Wood, Betsy Mills Those abstaining: none Those not voting: Richard Howland, Larry Flesher, Denise Woodside, Kathi Jones-Hudson Additional Comments: None
Motion 4-20 – Revocation of Eagle Millenium Logo	(10-25-04) Betsy Mills moved and Linda Blum-Barton seconded to remove the eagle logo as an alternative official logo for the use of the Project. The motion failed with 12"yes" votes, 0 "no" votes, no abstentions, and 2 members not voting. Those voting YES: Darilee Bednar, Don Kelly, Teri Brown, David W. Morgan, Betsy Mills, Bettie Wood, Linda Blum-Barton, Kathy Jones-Hudson, Larry Flesher, Angie Rayfield, Cyndie Engfinger Those voting NO: none

	Those abstaining: none
	Those not voting: Richard Howland, Denise Woodside, Gail Meyer-Kilgore
	Additional Comments:
	None

Motion 4-21 - New EC Members	(10-26-04) Representative David W. Morgan moved and Jan Cortez seconded
	to accept the appointment of the slate of prospective new EC members as submitted by the EC on October 21, 2004.
	There was no discussion.
	(10-30-04) The motion passed with 13 "yes" votes, 0 "no" votes, no abstentions, and 2 members not voting.
	Those voting YES: Angie Rayfield, Linda Blum-Barton, Cyndie Enfinger, Darilee Bednar, Bettie Wood, Jan Cortez, Kathi Jones-Hudson, Don Kelly, Larry Flesher, Teri Brown, Betsy Mills, David Morgan, Gail Meyer Kilgore
	Those voting NO:
	Those abstaining:
	Those not voting: Richard Howland, Denise Woodside
	Additional Comments:
	None

Other Business - Important Notice	(10-1-04) From USGenWeb Election Committee by way of NC Shari Handley: **Please forward to all USGenWeb Members and Lists** The Election Committee has been receiving an increased number of rejected passwords and Newsletters due to spam blockers. This is becoming a tremendous problem for both the EC and Larry. It is the responsibility of members to make their mailboxes available. Members who wish to receive passwords must unblock all mail from "Stephens, Larry V" <stephenl@indiana.edu> Members who wish to receive Newsletters must unblock all mail from: USGENWEB-NATL-L@LISTSERV.INDIANA.EDU and Sharon Rhodes <sharon@marshallnet.com> Please use the EC Registration Form to make changes in your email address and/or project participation. http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~usgwelections/register.html Members who block official EC email, or who bounce two consecutive mailings will be removed from EC lists. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated! Thank you, The USGenWeb Election Committee
Other Business - 3rd Quarter Report from Election Committee	(10-7-04) From the USGenWeb Election Committee by way of NC Shari Handley: EC REPORT THIRD QUARTER 2004 DATE: October 4, 2004 JULY- 1 July - Voting on National Election opened.

10 July - With List2 down for about a week, the EC began running into problems conducting business. Many thanks to the fine CCs at MSGenWeb for allowing the EC to temporarily "confiscate" their unarchived and private chat list.

11 July - Lee King was declared winner of the ND SC election, conducted by the EC.

28 July - The results of the GA and MA SC elections, also conducted by the EC, were received from Larry Stephens, and the candidates and states notified. Vivian Price Saffold was elected in GA, and Betty Thomas was elected in MA.

Ongoing List2 problems forced the EC to use a backup USGW list made available by the NC. Several notes were lost, including two notes from members who reported they had not received passwords. Fortunately the EC was made aware of the requests in time to have passwords reissued to those members.

July 26 - The EC issued a final voting announcement to the Project, requesting that members notify the EC immediately if they have not received a password. Several members responded right away, and passwords were reissued. Unfortunately, the EC also received several requests one to three days after the deadline, and were unable to reissue passwords to those members.

July 31 - On the last day of scheduled voting, the EC became aware that the voting form had closed prematurely. The EC immediately issued an announcement, and contacted Larry Stephens early Monday, the first opportunity. It was determined by Larry to be a simple date problem which was easily corrected. The form was re-opened Monday, August 2, and voting time was extended to Tuesday, August 3, 11:59 PM CT to compensate for the lost time. An announcement to that effect was issued by the EC.

The premature closing and restart had no effect on the totals. The server was not down at any time. Many thanks to Larry for his prompt attention and assistance.

Results of the July voting:

National Coordinator
One Year Term Ending 8/31/05
Charles Barnum 29 06.042%
Shari Handley 245 51.042%
Don Kelly 84 17.500%
Karen Mitchell 72 15.000%
Richard White 50 10.416%
Total Votes: 480
The EC declares Shari Handley winner
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Tombstone Project Representative
Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
Kathi Jones-Hudson 13
Unopposed
The EC declares Kathi Jones-Hudson winner
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Northeast/North Central (NENC) County Coordinator Representative
Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
Scott Burow 48 35.037%
Jan Cortez 51 37.226%
Sandra Newman Sanchez 38 27.737%
Total votes: 137
The EC declares a Run-Off Election between candidates Scott Burow and Jan Cortez.
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Northwest Plains (NWPL) County Coordinator Representative
Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
Allen 38 44.706%
Darilee Bednar 47 55.294%
Total votes: 85
The EC declares Darilee Bednar winner
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Southeast/Mid-Atlantic (SEMA) State Coordinator Representative

One year Replacement Term Ending 8/31/05

Sherri Hall 7 46.667%

Angie Rayfield 8 53.333%

Total votes: 15

The EC declares Angie Rayfield winner

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Southeast/Mid-Atlantic (SEMA) County Coordinator Representative

Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06

Linda Blum-Barton 65 33.679%

Kati Hestand 24 12.435%

Elva Morgan 13 06.736%

Fred Smoot 62 32.124%

Sharon Tabor 29 15.026%

Total votes: 193

The EC declares a Run-Off Election between candidates Linda Blum-Barton and Fred Smoot

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Southwest/South Central (SWSC) State Coordinator Representative

Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06

Larry Flesher 10

Unopposed.

The EC declares Larry Flesher winner.

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Southwest/South Central (SWSC) County Coordinator Representative

Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06

David Morgan 53 38.686%

Phyllis Rippee 45 32.847%

Mike St. Clair 39 28.467%

Total votes: 137

The EC declares a Run-Off Election between candidates David Morgan and Phyllis Rippee.

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AUGUST

Voting in the Run-Off Election began August 12 and ended August 26. The EC received 71 bounces. Several members reported not receiving a password even though a password had been sent to them. While the EC allows for accidental deletions, there is a concern that mail ISP spam filters are preventing delivery of some of the notes. This is something that is out of the hands of the EC, though we will continue to attempt to resolve any problems.

Voting in the Run-Off Election ended, and the results were posted the evening of August 28.

*Northeast/North Central (NENC) County Coordinator
Representative Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
Scott Burow 62 - 49.600%
Jan Cortez 63 - 50.400%
Total Votes: 125
The EC declares Jan Cortez winner.
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*Southeast/Mid-Atlantic (SEMA) County Coordinator
Representative Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
Linda Blum-Barton 115 - 62.842%
Fred Smoot 68 - 37.158%
Total Votes: 183
The EC declares Linda Blum-Barton winner.
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*Southwest/South Central (SWSC) County Coordinator
Representative Two Year Term Ending 8/31/06
David Morgan 64 - 50.794%
Phyllis Rippee 62 - 49.206%
Total Votes: 126
The EC declares David Morgan Winner
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The EC declared the USGenWeb National Election 2004 closed. Sincere appreciation was extended to all candidates and voters, and especially

to Larry Stephens for his invaluable assistance.

The EC also extended its appreciation to temp EC Helpers Barbra Chambers, Annette Peebles, and Susan Morris, who were released from the EC at the conclusion of the election.

The EC has determined that the new Registration procedures are a success. Registration has appreciably reduced the number of chronic bounces and redundant make-work that has encumbered the EC in the past. Registration has also opened the door to more direct communication with individual members, and allowed for more accurate Membership and Registration lists.

31 August - An updated membership list was uploaded to the national mail list, for the September newsletter mailing. The EC handled 72 bounces. Ultimately 22 members were removed from the lists due to chronic bounces.

SEPTEMBER

The EC said goodbye to outgoing NC Isaiah Harrison, with many thinks for his invaluable assistance these past two years.

The EC was happy to welcome new NC Shari Handley, and to re-welcome Cyndie Enfinger who will be continuing as AB Rep to the EC.

The EC began soliciting new committee members by issuing a Call for Volunteers. Six seats are available. Some seats are currently vacant, and some will become vacant 1 January 2005. Applications will be accepted until approximately mid-October.

The EC began preparations to host the RAL preference Poll.

An updated membership list was uploaded to the national mail list, for the October newsletter mailing.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Pack

	Chair, USGenWeb Election Committee
Other Business – USGenWeb IRC Chats	(10-8-04) From NC Shari Handley:

(10-8-04) From NC Shari Handley:

Dear USGenWeb Volunteers,

One of the best ways I've found to foster a sense of belonging and teamwork is spending time together in an informal environment. In USGenWeb, this is very difficult, given our environment is a "virtual" one, and our physical locations are scattered all over the country (and even all over the globe!).

One way we *can* get together is via IRC chat. RootsWeb offers free access to their IRC server, and we can open up our own channel and just kind of shoot the breeze, trade tall tales, share tips, tell nerdy genealogist jokes, be goofy, etc.

I'm going to try to open up the #usgenweb channel whenever I'm home and on the computer. I'm hoping that lots of you will join me, even if you just drop in and say, "hi". If I'm not around, hopefully other USGenWeb members will be and will open up the channel. It'll be a place where you can ask questions, find information, trade ideas, and do the other things I listed in the last paragraph <g>.

1. What is IRC?

IRC stands for Internet Relay Chat. IRC is a multi-user chat system, where people meet on "channels" (rooms, virtual places, usually with a certain topic of conversation) to talk in groups, or privately. There is no restriction to the number of people that can participate in a given discussion, or the number of channels that can be formed on IRC.

2. How do I get on IRC?

First, you have to make sure an IRC Client is installed on your system. An IRC client may be included in Windows XP and the latest Mac OS, but

if you don't already have one, there are several good shareware programs that you could download.

3. Where can I find an IRC client?

I use mIRC, and since it is the only IRC client I've ever used, I recommend it :). Seriously, unless you already have another IRC client that you are using and familiar with, it would be best to use mIRC so that I can help you if you run into trouble or have questions. You can download mIRC at http://www.mirc.com or http://www.tucows.com. MIRC is a shareware IRC client for Windows. However, there are quite a few other IRC clients, and which one you use is totally up to you.

How do I set up mIRC?

The following instructions are for setting up mIRC, since that is the software I use. If you have chosen another IRC program, you'll need to find your setup dialogue box, and input the same parameters.

When you first open mIRC, you will see a dialogue box titled ?mIRC Setup.?
Click on the tab labeled IRC servers. You are going to add the Rootsweb server to the list of available servers.
Start by clicking the ?Add? button.

In the ?mIRC Add Server? box, put in the following parameters:
Description: Rootsweb
IRC server: irc.rootsweb.ancestry.com
Port: 6667
Leave the sections titled Group blank. You do not need to enter a password, either.

Click the ?ADD? Button to add the Rootsweb server to your list.

Now you need to tell mIRC who you are. Tab down and enter your name, email address, and nickname. The nickname you choose is how other people will know you in the chat channel. You also need to provide an alternate nickname in case someone else is already using your first choice. Once this information is entered, check to make sure that

Rootsweb is still selected as the IRC server, and click ?Connect?.

Once you are connected to the Rootsweb server, all you need to do is join a channel. If you know which channel you?d like to join, type the following command:

/join #channelname

where channelname is the name of the channel. For example, if I wanted to join the chat for USGenWeb volunteers, I?d type

/join #usgenweb

If you don?t know the name of the channel you?d like to join, you need to see a list of channels currently open. To do this, type the following in the command line:

/list

This will open another window listing all the rooms, or channels, open on the server. Double click the one you'd like to join, and you are ready to start chatting!

MAC USERS
If you have a MAC and wish to join the Mirc meeting on Rootsweb you need to download and install an IRC client for Mac -- IRCle is the one that I hear about most often, even though I'm not a Mac user. IRCle can be downloaded from http://www.ircle.com/

One thing you should be sensitive to is that not all IRC clients interpret colored text the same way. A pretty banner with green text on a black background on a Windows system running mIRC might be yellow on pink on a Mac running IRCle.

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I hope everyone will join in on these chat sessions! If you have any difficulty finding, downloading, or using mIRC, let me know. I can try to help you, and I can also point you to many helpful online resources.

	Shari Handley National Coordinator The USGenWeb Project
Other Business - Results of Stowell Hearing and Voting	10-23 -04) From NC Shari Handley: The USGenWeb Advisory Board, in a closed-session hearing of charges against Tim Stowell, has found Mr. Stowell to be responsible for each of the charges against him. It is the decision of the Advisory Board that he is hereby: (1) Removed from the USGenWeb Project for a period of 6 months, retroactive to his suspension 1 June 2004. Any county sites held in reserve for him pending the outcome of this hearing are immediately deemed "available" and may be held open for adoption. (2) Beginning 1 December 2004, Mr. Stowell will be eligible to apply as Local Coordinator for any adoptable site within the USGenWeb Project. His application(s) may be accepted or rejected solely at the discretion of the State Coordinator(s), and there will be no appeal of the State Coordinator's decision. (3) Also beginning 1 December 2004, Mr. Stowell will be considered "on probation" within the USGenWeb Project for a period of 5 years. He may not run for, serve, hold, or be appointed to any position higher than the Local Coordinator level in any state or special project, or the national project. --- A summary of the charges follows: In his position as SC of GAGenWeb, Tim Stowell has - violated the Bylaws of the USGenWeb Project and the Guidelines of GAGenWeb - allowed the same Bylaws and Guidelines to be violated by his ASC and

RC appointees
- used unfair, discriminatory, and deceitful management practices
- created an atmosphere of secrecy, oppression, distrust and fear among GAGenWeb CCs
- ignored his responsibilities and duties in the position of SC - violated the rights of CC's.

The above violates both the letter and the spirit of The USGenWeb Project and has done harm to both the volunteers and the researchers of the GAGenWeb Project.

CHARGES:

(1) Mr. Stowell used his position as SC not to further the quality and purpose of GAGenWeb as stated in The USGenWeb Bylaws and the GAGenWeb Guidelines, but to insure preferred outcomes. This was achieved largely by actions that effectively manipulated the vote within the GAGenWeb Project.
(a) County Coordinators were not subscribed to the mail lists and may or may not have ever received information from the Election Committee.
(b) Despite repeated requests County Coordinators were not subscribed to the GAGEN-L as required by GAGenWeb Guidelines and USGenWeb Bylaws. At the same time, people were permitted to remain as subscribers even though they were not members of GAGenWeb Project.
(c) A number of county websites within GAGenWeb were allowed to go for years without being updated or brought into compliance with GAGenWeb guidelines, thus permitting these coordinators to continue to "hold" a place or vote. This helped prevent a quorum from being reached when required.
(d) State Coordinator Stowell continued to adopt counties beyond the limit of 3 stated in GAGenWeb Guidelines and permitted the Regional Coordinators to do the same, thus preventing GAGenWeb from bringing in new CCs who would have held a vote. Other GAGenWeb CCs who met all the requirements and held fewer than 3 counties had requests to adopt another county denied or ignored. Numerous people have stated that their requests to adopt counties were ignored or denied when they tried to adopt counties that were shown as "Up for Adoption," sometimes for extended periods.

(e) GAGenWeb Guidelines provide for the use of Co-CC's and Asst CC's within the project. Requests for the approval of Co-CCs and Assistant CCs from the Regional Coordinators and the ASCs were generally approved, but similar requests from coordinators were generally denied or ignored.

(f) CCs were placed who were never announced as new CC's on GAGEN-L, did not post to GAGEN-L, did not respond to researchers or other CCs, and/or did not update websites. There are indications that at least some of these "phantom CCs" were actually existing RC's using an assumed name and email address to hold a county so that it did not become available for adoption. Permitting these "phantom CCs" to continue to hold a place or vote helped prevent quorums on controversial votes/issues.

(2) Mr. Stowell ignored the results of a poll of the GAGenWeb CCs. In 2003, XXXX XXXX started a Guidelines Revision Committee (GRC). The GRC worked to revise GAGenWeb guidelines to provide further protection for CC rights within the project, and to establish a grievance procedure that did not involve the State Coordinator or the appointed ASCs and RCs. The Committee asked for input from CC's throughout their work. XXXX XXXX threatened to stop the work of the committee, and did disband the committee before their work could be completed. Following this action, Mr. Stowell announced a vote to be taken on GAGEN-L. The vote, which was counted by Mr. Stowell and AAAA AAAA, indicated that the majority of CC's wanted the GRC to continue their work, but Mr. Stowell announced that the committee would not be reinstated, and at that time characterized the vote as a non-binding poll.

(3) The most recent dismissals of County Coordinators were in violation of GAGenWeb Guidelines.
(a) IN THE CASE OF BBBBBBB, CCCCCCCC and DDDDDDDDD The GAGenWeb Guidelines do not state that "feelings that are burdensome to us as a whole" or feelings of being "extremely disgruntled and unhappy in the GAGenWeb Project" are reasons for dismissal. Nor is there a clause sanctioning dismissal for additional, unspecified reasons as determined by the SC or the GAGenWeb Council.

The following are the only reasons specified in the GAGenWeb Guidelines

for dismissal:

Section 14: abandonment of the site (defined in Section 13) and/or violations of these guidelines.

Section 15 Offering Items for Sale on County Sites: "Persistent complaints to GAGenWeb about failure to deliver the proper items and/or refunds where applicable could result in dismissal from GAGenWeb. A coordinator who sells, or solicits items not covered within the exceptions above will be immediately dismissed from GAGenWeb."

Section 19 (GAGEN Email list): Violation of rules of common courtesy on the email list "may subject the offender to loss of posting privileges or dismissal from GAGenWeb for a repeated pattern."

Section 11 Settlement of Grievances: In the event of a disagreement involving a GAGenWeb site, or a disagreement over genealogical data stored on, or proposed for, a GAGenWeb site a coordinator has the right to ask the coordinator in the next highest position to settle the grievance up through the SC to the GAGenWeb Council. "After exhausting GAGenWeb's grievance procedures, a party may have recourse under the USGenWeb Bylaws."

The fact that BBBBBB, CCCCCC and DDDDDD were unsubscribed from the GAGenWeb list before SC Tim Stowell announced their dismissal and within "an hour or so" of the time that the GAGenWeb Council was notified indicates that none of them saw the statement that dismissed them.

Finally, coordinators in violation of any page requirements "will be given warning and 30 days to correct the infraction" (Section 16; cf. Section 20f). While "feelings that are burdensome" are not one of the requirements, the abrupt dismissal of the coordinators certainly violates the spirit of the stated rights of coordinators.

This concludes the hearing for Tim Stowell.

Shari Handley
National Coordinator
The USGenWeb Project

	(10-24-04) Stowell Hearing Voting Charge #1A Responsible: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Bednar No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #1B Responsible: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Bednar No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #1C Responsible: Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Enfinger Abstain: Bednar No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #1D Responsible: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Bednar No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #1E Responsible: Jones-Hudson, Bednar, Blum-Barton, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Enfinger, Brown, Kelly, Rayfield, Woodside, Flesher No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #1F Responsible: Brown, Kelly, Bednar, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood

	Not Responsible: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Rayfield, Woodside No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #2 Responsible: Jones-Hudson, Kelly, Bednar, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: Enfinger No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Charge #3 Responsible: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Bednar, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Not Responsible: None Abstain: Mills No Vote: Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Penalty Approve: Enfinger, Jones-Hudson, Brown, Kelly, Bednar, Rayfield, Woodside, Blum-Barton, Flesher, Morgan, Wood Reject: None No Vote: Mills, Howland, Kilgore Recused: Cortez Respectfully submitted, Shari HandleyNational Coordinator The USGenWeb Project
Other Business – Eagle Millenium Logo	(10-23-04) From Shari Handley: PLEASE FORWARD THIS TO ALL USGENWEB STATE CC LISTS AND OTHER INTERNAL USGENWEB LISTS: Ginger Cisiewski, the creator of the "Eagle Millenium" USGenWeb logo,

	has revoked permission for use of the logo on any site connected with The USGenWeb Project. She has threatened legal action against any site using or displaying the logo if it is not removed within 10 days. Please remove this logo from your pages within this 10 day period and replace it with another of the approved logos located at http://www.usgenweb.org/volunteers/logos.shtml . The "Eagle Millenium" logo is no longer an official or approved logo of The USGenWeb Project, effective immediately. I'm also going to initiate some Advisory Board discussion about perhaps updating the logos and offering some additional or improved choices, and how me might go about that. Stay tuned! Shari Handley National Coordinator The USGenWeb Project
Other Business – Great Press	(10-28-04) From Shari Handley: The USGenWeb Project and its Tombstone Transcription Project are the subject of a really great, really positive article by Johnna Pro in today's issue of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Read all about it at http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/04302/402844.stm :) Shari Handley National Coordinator The USGenWeb Project
Adjournment	(10-30-04) If there is no objection, the October meeting of The USGenWeb Advisory Board is adjourned.

	The November meeting will open Monday, November 1, 2004.
	Shari Handley National Coordinator The USGenWeb Project

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Greta Thompson, Recording Secretary

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