

# Advisory Board Minutes – July 2021

## **LINKS TO MINUTES**

July 2021 Session

July 2021 Session Opened  
2021 July Order of Business  
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Voting ends 7/31/2021  
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Designation of Denise Wells as Acting Presiding Officer  
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## **SESSION OPEN 01 July 2021**

The June 2021 meeting of the Advisory Board is adjourned and the July 2021 meeting of the Advisory Board is now convened.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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## **2021 July Order of Business**

### **01 July 2021**

Minutes

Announcements  
- Voting Period Open for Annual Elections

Continuing Business  
- Report from Website Review Committee

New Business

Adjournment

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#### **IV. ORDER OF BUSINESS.**

Order of Business will be renewed and announced to the assembly at the beginning of each month by the Presiding Officer. The Order of Business will be flexible and may be adapted to cope with immediate business. Members will advise the Presiding Officer of suggested agenda items for future Orders of Business.

<https://www.usgenweb.org/about/specialrules.html>

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**REMINDER:  
USGenWeb  
Project National  
Election 2021**

**10 July 2021**

\*\*\*PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL MEMBERS\*\*\*

The USGenWeb Annual Election is underway and I want to encourage every member to vote. It only takes 5 minutes and a couple of clicks.

This year we have two proposed bylaw amendments on the ballot. These amendments seek to ease some site requirements and the outcome affects every member.

Get your voting password  
here: <http://www.usgwelections.org/GetVoterPassword.cfm>

If your email recently changed or you have issues getting your password, contact Tina Vickery, Election Committee chair at [tsvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tsvi...@gmail.com), or Pat Asher, Election Committee Dataset Manager at [pjr...@att.net](mailto:pjr...@att.net).

Your opinion matters - please make it count by voting!

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**Forwarded  
Announcement:  
2021 USGenWeb  
Project National  
Election - Voting  
ends 7/31/2021**

**16 July 2021**

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

From: <[tsvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tsvi...@gmail.com)>

Date: Thu, Jul 15, 2021 at 9:37 PM

Subject: 2021 USGenWeb Project National Election - Voting ends 7/31/2021

To: <[tsvi...@gmail.com](mailto:tsvi...@gmail.com)>

Dear USGenWeb Project Member,

Voting opened July 1, 2021 at 12M Central Time and will continue until July 31, 2021 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.

This year's election features two bylaw amendments that require membership vote.

Thank you for participating in the USGenWeb Project National Election.

Tina Vickery  
Chair, USGenWeb Project Election Committee

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**2020/21 June  
Advisory Board  
Minutes**

**17 July 2021**

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

<https://www.usgenweb.org/about/pdfs-minutes/AB-2021-06.pdf>

These Minutes will stand as accepted as of July 19, 2021, at 11:59 PM if no corrections are heard.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

1 June -  
"To submit a nomination, click the Nomination button at <http://usgwelections.org> and follow the instructions."  
There is no nomination button there.

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

I believe the button is no longer visible because the nomination period has ended.

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**Election  
Committee  
Quarterly Report**

**21 July 2021**

The Election Committee quarterly report, submitted by Alice Allen, Publicist/Secretary, is published below, for the record.

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

From: Alice Allen <[dcaa...@pacifier.com](mailto:dcaa...@pacifier.com)>

To: 'webmaster' <[webm...@cottonhills.com](mailto:webm...@cottonhills.com)>

Cc: [usgw-el...@googlegroups.com](mailto:usgw-el...@googlegroups.com)

Date: July 20, 2021 10:44 PM

Subject: Elections Committee Second Quarter Report

New Members: 18

Left the Project: 27

Deaths reported: 3

- Karen Mitchell NMGW

- Linda Haas Davenport ARGW

- Gail Kilgore AZGW & COGW

Total Members: 1088

Registered to Vote: 737

Unresolved Email bounces: 3

The Election Committee accepted and processed nominations for the Advisory Board, 2021-2022 Term, from June 1<sup>st</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

Alice Allen

Secretary,

Elections Committee

Linda K. Lewis

National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**2021 Jul Website  
Review Special  
Committee  
Report**

**21 July 2021**

The Website Review Special Committee report below is submitted by Rebecca Maloney, Chair, for the record. The Advisory Board has reviewed and approved these changes to our National website and forwarded them to our excellent web management team.

Once again, the Committee has done an outstanding job of freshening up a large number of pages on our website. And our web management team has gone above and beyond this term to keep our website fresh and up-to-date.

Thank you!

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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 a proposal ready to present to the AB for informal consideration.

1. Volunteers <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/index.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment one](#)
2. Volunteer Guide <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/newvolunteer.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment two](#)
3. Brochures <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/brochures.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment three](#)
4. Mailing Lists <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/maillinglist.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment four](#)
5. Logos <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/logos.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment five](#)
6. Copyright <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/copyright.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment six](#)
7. Website Tutorials <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/index.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment seven](#)
8. Tips & Tricks <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/tips.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment eight](#)
9. Styling Text <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/stylingtext.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment nine](#)
10. Styling Images <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/stylingimages.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment ten](#)
11. DWT Templates <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/pageediting.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment eleven](#)
12. How to FTP <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/howtoftp.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment twelve](#)
13. Google Groups <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/googlegroups.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment thirteen](#)
14. FTP Programs <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/ftpprograms.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment fourteen](#) DELETE THIS PAGE- Added the information to How to FTP
15. Editing your site <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/editing.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment fifteen](#)

16. Design Tips <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/design.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment sixteen](#)
17. Creating your site <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/creating.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment seventeen](#)
18. Coding <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/code.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment eighteen](#)
19. Breaking out of frames <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/break-frames.html> WE RECOMMEND DELETING THIS PAGE- WE ADDED THE INFORMATION FROM THIS PAGE ONTO THE TIPS & TRICKS PAGE
20. Basic HTML <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/basichtml.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment nineteen](#)
21. About Queries <https://www.usgenweb.org/research/queries.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment twenty](#)
22. Contact us <https://www.usgenweb.org/contact.html> Recommended changes, updates and corrections [Attachment twenty-one](#)
23. Grievance Status <https://www.usgenweb.org/about/grievancestatus.html>
24. Rootsweb Help <http://usgenweb.org/tutorials/rootsweb-help.html> Delete this page
25. Rootsweb Mailing List <http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/maillinglist.html> This information was added to the Mailing List page so we recommend deleting this page

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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**Grievance  
Committee  
Quarterly Report**

**27 July 2021**

The Grievance Committee Quarterly Report, submitted by Karen De Groote, Chair, is published below, for the record.

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Grievance Committee Report

All members present  
No grievances have been presented to the committee  
Expired terms were filled with incumbent personnel by committee member consent.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen De Groote  
Grievance Committee Chair  
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Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

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

**30 July 2021**

I will be unavailable from 31 Jul - 9 Aug 2021. Per Standard Rule VIII., I designate Denise Wells, RAL, to act as the Presiding Officer during my absence.

**VIII. - DESIGNATION OF ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER.**

(Adopted March 8, 2007)

In the temporary absence of the Presiding Officer/National Coordinator (NC) for a period of less than ninety days the Representative at Large (RAL) will act as the Presiding Officer. In the temporary absence of both the NC and the RAL, either the NC or the RAL will designate another member of the Advisory Board to be the Acting Presiding Officer.

<https://www.usgenweb.org/about/standardrules.html>

Linda K. Lewis  
National Coordinator 2020-2021

I am here. Have a great and safe trip and don't forget to come back! I know you will be tempted to stay, but the answer is NO.

Denise Wells  
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

The bonus for us is that the RAL is the former NC. Even for a short absence it is good to have someone with experience as NC.

Dale H. Cook  
Northeast/North Central Region  
County Coordinator Representative 2019-2021

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**Adjournment**

**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  
AB Representative at Large 2020-2021

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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.