MINUTES OF BELNAP OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES 10 MARCH 1996

Home of Gordon L. and Joy M. Belnap, Ogden, Utah

During the discussion of nominating new officers for 1996-1998 a new idea was presented by past president Gordon L. Belnap. He recommended changing the by-laws (which he originally set up when he was president) to meet the current needs of the Belnap family. The family has grown and numerous vice presidents are no longer effective. The Organization should be changed to consist of a council consisting of a representative from the 15 family representatives. From the council the chairman (president) and co-chairman (vice president) be selected. Brent Belnap reminded that to be a corporation and non-profit organization there needs to be a president and secretary.

It was moved by Dean Belnap and seconded by Richard Belnap to change the by-laws with the council consisting of the 15 family representatives and the chairman (president) to be elected from the council. The council to appoint a secretary, treasurer and historian.

Dorothy Harper nominated Les Hill to serve as Chairman (President). Voting was unanimous. Les Hill suggested that Dean Belnap serve as Vice-Chairman. All voted in favor. Richard Belnap motioned the secretary and treasurer be combined into one position. Joy Belnap was asked if she would accept the position of secretary and treasurer. She accepted. Steven Belnap was asked to remain on as historian. Brent Belnap was ask to remain as Editor of the Crier and updating the genealogy computer disk. All voted in favor of these new changes.

Dean accepted the appointment to be the voting family representative for the Oliver line. Pat Johnson will assist her father, A. Kay Belnap, on the Joseph line.

Joy presented a financial report and status of the special projects. Much more money is needed. Don Eric suggested assessing each family line to raise \$100.00. Much more work is needed for the John McBride Belnap marker. Brent distributed a flyer outlining what has been done towards a location, type of marker, etc., and what is still needed. There are pledges totaling more than \$2,500. Work will commence immediately on the marker.

Ruth White confirmed the Daughters of Utah Pioneers are still interested and hopeful to have the Belnap cabin placed behind their museum in Ogden. Pledges of more than \$10,000 have been received from two descendants. Work to commence on the restoration of the cabin.

Brent mentioned the next meeting for the officers and reps will be at 4:00 p.m. August 10 immediately following the 1996 reunion. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Pat Johnson offered a benediction.