## MINUTES OF BELNAP OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES TELECONFERENCE ON 28 NOVEMBER 2006

There were only four on line this time: Florence Ilene Ward (Amasa), Brent Belnap and Joy Belnap (Hyrum), and Dorothy Harper (Martha Jane).

Conference began at 7:40 p.m. with President Ward conducting. Joy Belnap offered the invocation. Glenda was excused due to a family crisis and Joy took the minutes. Glenda wanted to add the following to the minutes:

Nadine Allen wanted to be officially excused from the last conference. Glenda apologized for writing Wes "Belnap" and not Wes "Cox" on her e-mails only. She corrected it on the minutes sent through the mail.

We need to put the names of the alternate representatives on the list in the Crier and on programs. They work hard also and need to be recognized.

In reference to the Audrey and Iola play given at the last reunion, Glenda has a copy of it and will send it to Brent. They got their program right out of the book (HWH?). Their father, George Ellis Belnap wrote the song for the play.

Audrey plays in an orchestra every Tuesday night so she can't be on line with us and needs to be excused.

Brent asked Ilene if she had a digital photo of her yet. She said she was working on it.

Ilene asked Brent to update the web site with alternate officers and reps and he said he had already done so. Brent mentioned that the web site www.belnapfamily.com (Don's) is up for sale at \$200. He suggested we wait a while when more are on line to discuss if this is a justified expense. It might go for less if we wait a while longer.

Ilene asked for ideas for the site of the next reunion. Should it be Hooper or Huntsville? Many more locations were suggested, such as This is the Place Park, Heritage Park at the Zoo, Lagoon, etc. This could prove to be expensive, but we need to make our reunion as fun and interesting as possible. Brent suggested we need new experiences to make our reunions more meaningful for the younger people. Someplace like a water park or some other recreation place, not in an LDS Chapel. He approached Ryan Shupe to come, but he is booked up for a year in advance. We should be more creative and less afraid of risks. Dorothy agreed with that. She liked the idea of This is The Place Park. Park City was mentioned. Brent suggested getting a small subcommittee to work on this and look into costs. Then have a proposal for our next meeting. Ilene said that was a good idea and suggested the committee be made up of people from Utah. Anyone interested in working on this committee, please let us know.

Joy reported that to date 185 Criers have been sold, not counting those sold at the reunion. Requests are still filtering in. We now have \$5,000 in the bank. Don Hammon has not sent in his bill for the cost of printing the Criers. Plus, we still owe for the mailing of the Criers.

Emery Wiser has accepted to be a rep for the Mary line. We need to follow up on the Vinson line.

Brent said to assign him the web site. He says that there is so much more being added to the web site everyone should check on it for new updates constantly. He is always adding new things and does so as a "labor of love." The best web site to focus on is: <a href="www.belnapfamily.org">www.belnapfamily.org</a>. Brent said that Mark Goodmansen's book on the Belknap nobility in England is now on line. We have 20 times the content as other web sites. We have links into other prominent pioneer organizations. We are doing very well. And our info is <a href="free">free</a>; others charge for their info. Dorothy asked Brent how many hits we get on our web site. Brent said about 100 hits a day, or 2,000 hits per month. There is a lot of interest out there.

Due to the Christmas holidays, there will be no teleconference in December. The next one will be on Tuesday, January 23, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. Utah time. The number to call is: Toll Free: 1-866-548-4717, Participant Pass Code: 936467 #. Reminders should be sent out.

The benediction was offered by Dorothy Harper at 8:20 p.m.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

Sincerely,

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