

**GILBERT BELNAP FAMILIES GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION  
D/B/A BELNAP FAMILY ORGANIZATION  
OFFICERS AND FAMILY REPRESENTATIVES MEETING MINUTES  
OF JUNE 23, 2024**

A meeting of the Officers and Family Representatives of Gilbert Belnap Families Genealogical Association, a Utah non-profit corporation d/b/a Belnap Family Organization (the “Organization”), was held on June 23, 2024. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m., Mountain Time, via web and teleconference.

1. **OPENING PRAYER.** Ashley Belnap offered an opening prayer.
2. **ROLL CALL.**

The following Officers were present at the meeting:

- Larry Julian (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President)
- Brent Belnap (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President)
- Matt Purcell (Secretary)

The following Family Representatives were present at the meeting:

- **Gilbert Rosel:** Cheryl Johnson
- **Reuben:** None
- **Joseph:** None
- **Martha Jane:** Julie Moselle and Neil Nelson
- **Hyrum:** Brent Belnap
- **Augustus Weber:** None
- **Vinson Knight:** Dana Nottingham
- **Amasa:** Larry Julian
- **Adaline Lorinda:** None
- **Mary Louisa:** LaDawn Wilde
- **Lola Almira:** Aimee Moses
- **William James:** Pat Sanderson
- **Oliver:** Heidi Belnap Nish
- **Francis Marion:** None
- **Isadora Estella:** None

3. **FAMILY REUNION.** Matt Purcell led a discussion on the 2024 reunion.

**Reunion Details**

- The reunion will be held at This is the Place Heritage Park on Saturday, August 10.
- The Organization reserved the Emigration Room at This is the Place Heritage Park from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Cost for the room rental will be \$1,295. The room seats 200

theater style, 150 dining style. The program portion of the reunion will be theater style and then will be switched to dining style for lunch, with an additional 50 seats around the perimeter.

- Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the reunion beginning at 10:00 a.m. The program will last 2 hours. We will break for 30 minutes while they reorganize the room to take a family photo and lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. The reunion will conclude at 2:00 p.m.
- Lunch will be sandwich platters, chips, cookies, and water from Costco. Extra \$295 “non-approved caterer” fee applies.
- Mass text message invitations were sent out at the beginning of June. We have 141 confirmed RSVPs.
  - Note: We have more than 141 with additional RSVPs of Pat Sanderson and others. Matt Purcell will provide an updated count at our next meeting.
- Additional text message to be sent at the beginning of July reminding potential attendees to RSVP. Should we provide additional program details if known?
- Final text message to be sent at the beginning of August to confirmed attendees.
- We will also post on Facebook and Instagram at the beginning of July.

## Questions

- We do not have any speakers or content determined yet, except that Brent will provide a DNA update and conduct the roll call. Who should we invite to speak?
  - Rick Turley declined an invitation to speak due to a conflict.
  - Carl B. Cook. Brent Belnap will send a template invitation letter to Matt Purcell so that Matt can send it to Elder Cook.
  - Ashley Belnap will have a new video to share.
  - Ashley Belnap will create a “Kahoot-style” interactive quiz primarily for the youth in attendance.
  - Proposed Belnap-family trivia questions to be displayed on screen while family gather prior to the start of the program.
  - Program to include a “teaser” of future events, e.g., 2026 gathering to honor Jesse Belnap.
- We need to determine the suggested donation amount. Perhaps \$10 or \$15 per individual, \$25/\$30/\$35 per family.
  - \$15/individual and \$35/family
- How should we engage kids during the reunion? Activity/coloring packets like in 2022?
  - Yes. Ashley Belnap and Heidi Belnap Nish will be responsible for the packets and crayons. Matt Purcell will send them the packets from 2022.
- Discuss the election of any new officers to elect at the meeting.
  - List of proposed officers for a two-year term (2024-2026) below:
    - President: Larry Julian
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Michael Gray
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Brent Belnap
    - Treasurer: Heather Belnap
    - Secretary: Matt Purcell

## Needs/Action Items

- Who will help with decorations?
    - Brent Belnap, Heidi Belnap Nish, LaDawn Wilde, Cheryl Johnson
    - Brent Belnap will bring the decorations.
  - Who will help with registration?
    - Larry Julian, Heidi Belnap Nish, LaDawn Wilde, Cheryl Johnson, Julie Moselle, Jack Purcell
    - Matt Purcell will bring two iPads with Square debit/credit card payments. We will also have Venmo, cash, and check options available.
  - Who will help with lunch?
    - Julie Moselle will make lunch arrangements with Costco. Larry Julian will be responsible for pickup. Heidi Belnap Nish volunteered as well.
  - Who will help with children's activity packets?
    - Ashley Belnap and Heidi Belnap Nish will be responsible for the packets and crayons.
    - Matt Purcell will send them the packets from 2022.
  - Brent Belnap will check with Ashley Belnap regarding a new video.
    - Done. It will be ready.
  - Kirk Belnap will reach out to Don Hammon regarding a new version of the Crier.
    - Not discussed.
  - We need to discuss whether to offer the discounted park tickets to attendees, and if so, at what price?
    - Not discussed.
4. **NEXT MEETINGS.** Matt Purcell will schedule future meetings on Sunday, July 14 at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 4 at 4:00 p.m.
5. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Officers, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. Mountain time.
6. **CLOSING PRAYER.** Larry Julian offered a closing prayer.