Bay Area Genealogical Society Minutes Board Meeting October 26, 2009

President Tina Chatham called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Eight additional Board members were present: Neil Miserendino, Tammy Frey, Melodey Hauch, Lynn Finger, Resa Hennings, Bill Mayo, Lewis Jarman, and Jeanine Lawrence. A quorum was achieved.

Jeanine Lawrence read from Psalms 70, verses 1, 4 and 5, then said a prayer.

Bill Mayo presented the Treasurer's Report dated September 2009, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. He commented that interest for the two CDs is applied quarterly, so those figures will not be included on each monthly Report. He inquired if the final Budget for fiscal year 2009-2010 had been approved yet. It has not; two items need to be included. All members have a copy of the latest proposed Budget, so it would be a simple matter for the final copy to be prepared and e-mailed to everyone. Tammy Frey moved that the Treasurer prepare the final Budget, e-mail it to all Board members, and each member will be requested to vote via e-mail to approve/not approve the final Budget. Lewis Jarman seconded the motion. The vote carried unanimously.

BAGS has two keys to the Society's post office box which is located in the branch at El Camino Real and Pineloch. Registrar Tammy Frey has one key and serves as postmistress, of sorts; Resa Hennings, immediate past president, has the other. Resa indicated she will give her key to Neil Miserendino, as he lives relatively close to the branch.

There was discussion as to the necessity of having a Board meeting in both November and December. President Chatham said she will send out an e-mail the Monday before Thanksgiving, indicating when the next Board meeting will be held.

The Holiday Party will be in December, on December 3rd, it is believed. Logistics for the party (date, location, time, cost, purchase of tickets, menu) need to be confirmed by 1st Vice President, Claudia Grafton, and/or Kim Zrubek, Holiday Party committee member.

Bill Mayo reported that he sent the Change of Registered Agent form to the Texas Secretary of State and received confirmation back that Neil Miserendino has replaced Dick Warren as the Society's Registered Agent.

Minutes of the September 21, 2009, Board meeting were approved.

In Mary Martin's absence, she sent the following e-mail for her County Coordinator's Report: "We had 11 people go to the Clayton Library on Wednesday, October 14. Because I was unable to go on this trip, Marie Krnavek and Lewis Jarman took care of the list for me and made sure that everyone got to and from the Library. We collected \$20.00 which I will send to the East Harris County Senior Citizen's Group. Our next trip will be on Wednesday, November 18. We will go to the Tyrell Library in Beaumont, TX. We will leave the Clear Lake Recreation Center at 8:15 and leave the Tyrell Library at 3:15. We will eat at a restaurant near the Tyrell Library.

The next scheduled trip is to the Clayton Library on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. The other two trips are Wednesday, February 24, and Wednesday, March 10, 2010."

Tammy Frey, reported that we have 131 members, of which 2 are library memberships, 34 family memberships, and 56 individuals. As of this date, 65 members have not renewed (19 families and 23 individuals). There was some general discussion about members paying dues late and Tammy having to send reminders to them. She begins in June, requesting dues to be paid timely. She indicated that those members whose dues are paid in full have a silver star on their name tags.

Quarterly Editor, Melodey Hauch, has five articles for the December issue. She will be sending a Dues statement to the two library memberships. Our Quarterly has received an award from the Texas State Genealogical Society for the year 2008-2009.

Lewis Jarman reviewed attendance records and reported that about 60% of our members attend less than three meetings per year. He also noted that Tammy Frey and Lynn Finger have perfect attendance for the General meetings.

Susie Ganch, 2nd Vice President in charge of programs, informed us that David Boyles will speak at this Friday's General meeting about writing a family history using timelines.

Lynn Finger, Corresponding Secretary, informed the Board that she sent cards to Loren and Mary Martin, Jeanine Lawrence, and Lewis Jarman.

Jeanine Lawrence gave the attendance report for September. Fourteen attended the September Board meeting; 53 attended the Society meeting of September 25. Church set-up fee and food service costs were \$60.50 for the month. She also confirmed with the church, the following dates for Board meetings: November 30, January 25, 2010, February 22, and March 22; and for General meetings: October 30, December 4, January 29, 2010, February 26, and March 26. Sales Income for the month was \$2.00.

Susie Ganch mentioned the need for publicity and there was general discussion as to which local papers we should send notices. Members need to be encouraged to send the contact information of their local and community newspapers to Resa Hennings, Publicity Chairman.

No entries have been received yet for the BAGS Award.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Resa Nichols Hennings Substitute for Mary L. Martin, Recording Secretary