

Bay Area Genealogical Society

Board Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Bill Mayo. The following officers were in attendance: Bill Mayo, Shirley Lindquist, Annette Bowen, Alice Braud-Jones, and Loren Martin. The following committee chairmen were present: Kim Zrubek, Mary Martin, Polly Swerdlin, and Melodey Hauch thus achieving a quorum.

Old Business:

1. The January Board Meeting Minutes were accepted as written.
2. Loren Martin gave the Treasurer's Report. January Income was \$70.80. Expenses were \$481.11. This left a Balance on Hand of \$2,896.38 for January 31, 2013. Loren reminded the Board that we need to do begin the preparation for the 2013-2014 Budget; the fiscal year ends on August 31st. The Board needs to determine how much to budget for a seminar in October. The newly elected Board can amend the Budget, as needed. The budget for the March General Membership meeting is \$350.00 for the speaker Lynne Brooke. Ms. Brooke was a former DAR Genealogist. Alice Braud-Jones reported that we may have to pay for an airline ticket of approximately \$500.00 for the speaker to fly from Washington D.C. on Southwest Airlines. The speaker will be staying with Alice. Alice Braud-Jones made a motion to pay the airplane travel costs for the speaker. Polly Swerdlin seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Vice-President, Shirley Lindquist, reported that we need more job description to be submitted.
4. Bill Mayo reported on the status of the "drop box". Bill entered as much information as he could, including current financial reports for Loren. Nick Cimino has added job descriptions.

New Business:

1. Alice Braud-Jones invited the Galveston DAR to the March meeting. We can publish an article and take some pictures promoting the Rosenberg Library and BAGS to put in the *Galveston County Daily News*.
2. Bill Mayo talked about many of the cemeteries in east Texas being restored.
3. Shirley Lindquist suggested that Kim Zrubek, *Newsletter* Editor and Melodey Hauch, *Quarterly* Editor describe their jobs in the *Newsletter* and the *Quarterly*.
4. Melodey Hauch, *Quarterly* Editor, needs articles for the *Quarterly*. She reported that additional material is needed for completing the next edition. Annette Bowen will provide articles to be published. Melodey stated that in the future she will continue to provide input for the *Quarterly* and the *Newsletter*.
5. In April, the Board will need to approve the members of the Board Officer Nominating Committee consisting of two Board members and three general membership members. Bill Mayo and Alice Braud-Jones do not want to be considered for nomination to the offices of President and Second Vice-President. Shirley Lindquist, Loren Martin, and Annette Bowen are willing to consider continuing in their positions (First Vice-President, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary). Alice said that she would provide the new Second Vice-President with contact information for possible speakers. It was discussed that the Registrar's spreadsheet is complicated and the process probably needs to be streamline this job.

6. Discussion followed regarding the next year need for editors for both the *Newsletter* and *Quarterly*. Shirley suggested that personal announcements describing the duties might help get someone interested in volunteering for the various positions for next year. Also, the members should be alerted to the continuing need to source articles for both publications Kim Zrubek will speak at the February General Meeting regarding the *Newsletter*. Melodey Hauch will speak at the March General Meeting. For the *Newsletter*, it was discussed for the future to divide the duties among a layout editor in addition to the copy editor and could reduce the number of pages for the *Newsletter*. The editor needs source material for the next issue.
7. It was announced that Melodey Hauch had been appointed to the Galveston Historical Commission. They have four meetings a year.
8. The Society needs to well publicize the October Seminar, starting in the next *Quarterly*. We need to keep registration costs low to get people to attend, because of the economy.
9. Mary Martin, County Coordinator, reported that we had eight people go to the Clayton Library on the bus last Wednesday. We collected \$20.00 to give to the East Harris County Citizen's Program. We have three new trips scheduled: Wednesday, May 29; Tuesday, July 23, and Thursday, August 22.
10. Melanie Hauch reported on the Cemetery Project. Neal Miserendino will provide data to Melanie a flash drive. The project is not progressing well at this time. Katherine Gill's daughter is new to transcribe. Patsy Chappelle transcribed the 1940 Census; maybe, she would like to help. Eileen Darbonne always comes to the meetings; it was suggested to call her to see what experience she has doing things. The Texas City Disaster in 1947, there will be something on it.
11. Kim requested a copy of the current spreadsheet of members, with e-mail addresses, etc. In the future, possible *Newsletter* articles could be e-mailed to Kim.
12. Alice reported that she had the September meeting speaker lined up, and she is working on October.
13. Polly Swerdlin, Library Display Chairman, said that we had good response at Parker Williams Library as reported in the *Newsletter*. The next display is in Friendswood Library. Parker Williams Library was nice and small; however Polly needs more display material for the Friendswood Library. The Freeman Library has four panels, and the Seabrook Library has three panels.
14. Polly reported on the "Ride – Share" Program. Kim Zrubek is currently bringing Doug and Polly Wilson to the monthly General Meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Leonard Martin

Substitute Recording Secretary