

**BAY AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2013**

President Shirley Lindquist called the meeting to order at 6:30. The following members attended the meeting:

Elected Officers: Shirley Lindquist , Melodey Hauch, Barbara Moore, Loren Martin, Marie Krnavek, Deborah Gammon, and Annette Bowen.

Committee chairs and appointees: Eleanor Caldwell, Polly Swerdlin and Billy Mayo.

A quorum was met by having at least four elected officers at the meeting.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

President Shirley Lindquist welcomed everyone and expressed her excitement to be the president going into BAGS 12th year. She is concerned about the organizations lack of growth.

She is beginning her new term by including in the newsletter a column about what the officers of the club's duties are. She will write for the Nov/Dec. issue and then the other officers will write the column about their duties.

OLD BUSINESS

September Board meeting minutes were not read but had been mailed to everyone and approved.

Treasurer's Monthly and Financial Report:

Loren Martin gave report : the unofficial report on the seminar was that 61 people attended and 44 people purchased the luncheon so we made money on the lunches. We fell short on donations and registrations. The expenses exceeded expectations.

We will start new year with about \$2,000.00 in bank.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion about having the minutes read at the General meeting so that the members of the society can know more about what goes on behind closed doors. It was tabled until January Board meeting as to when and where to publish the minutes. Eleanor Caldwell wanted to know why we do not follow Roberts' Rules?

A survey will be done to ask the members what they want and what the members are willing to do for our organization.

BAGS Holiday Party is at Hope Village on November 16, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Kim Zrubek is in charge of that event. The table decorations are donated.

Backups are needed for Officers and Committee Chairs. Billy Mayo took Photographer and Treasurer backup position. Eleanor Caldwell took the backup position for recording secretary.

There are still job openings available: Publicity will be available. Reesa Hennings will stay only until someone else takes the position. Sergeant-At-Arms is needed for the pledges. It was decided to ask a veteran at every meeting to perform this function. Yearbook editor is available since Tammy resigned this position. Polly Swerdlin volunteered to take this position. Dropbox chairman is needed and Billy Mayo took that position.

Welcoming committee is vacant.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Seminar Committee Report: The seminar was run by Alice Braud-Jones. Twenty four of 61 attendees at the seminar were not BAGS members. Dr. Coletta had a good time and is available for future events and seminars. Clear Lake Latter Day Saints church wants to know why they were not informed about the seminar. Alice has volunteered to be "Seminar Specialist" and wants to have an annual seminar.

The problem has always been and remains to be that more co-ordination with other genealogy groups is needed. Loren suggested that we change the time of year that we schedule our seminar. Houston Genealogical Forum always has it's seminar in October. Melodey Hauch will work with Alice on scheduling future events. Further discussion was tabled to January meeting.

BAGS Speaker Program:

Barbara Moore is in charge of programs and has 150 speaker candidates available.

Eleanor asked the question of why the 2nd VP is not doing fundraising as described in bylaws.

Membership Renewal and New Members: Registrar needs help. Marie needs a key to the mailbox.

Melodey will be helping with the Quarterly for a while.

County Coordinator Report: Bus trips to Clayton Library are scheduled for Nov. 20 and Jan. 15 reported Loren Martin for Mary Martin.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery Project: Melodey Hauch reported that she has last few rows for quarterly then that will be done.

Member Services Report and Library Display: Polly reported that she only has one woman that is in need of ride to General Meetings. She is working on it. The library display is in Fairmont Library in Pasadena.

Education was brought up at this time and Shirley would like Polly to do a beginner course in genealogy. Family Search will have another class at Freeman Library in January. The development of this class will be based on the results of the survey about education. Shirley would like to begin Special Interest Group or SIGS for education.

Pedigree Charts: Eleanor Caldwell says she needs list of new members so she can ask for pedigree charts. It was emphasized that 5 generations aren't needed, just as much as a member knows is all that is needed.

Billy Mayo needs list of people he needs to get photos of and new members.

OTHER ITEMS:

Announcements:

Nick Cimino will be teaching class at Moore Library in Texas City on genealogy.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55.