

## Bay Area Genealogical Society Board Minutes

July 27, 2015

Attendees: Shirley Lindquist, Melodey Hauch, Nick Cimino, Garry Garrett, Polly Swerdlin, Bob Wegner, Neil Miserendino, Kim Zrubek, Bill Mayo, Loren Martin

### Actions:

**Nick Cimino** – Contact Liz (Hicks?) for a SIG or other meeting in November 2015.

Neil Miserendino – Email out the August Meeting announcement.

Neil Miserendino – Get the boxes of cookbooks from Bob Wegner to store them at his house.

Polly Swerdlin – Add a memorial page on the web-site

### General Meeting Announcements:

[Bob Wegner] -The officer nominations, and ask for any further nominations.

[Shirley] Announce Garry Garrett has taken over the 5-generation charts.

June Minutes were approved.

**Bob Wegner – Nominating Committee report:** Bob passed around

“**Nominating\_Committee\_Report\_2015\_07\_Bob\_Wegner.docx**”. Bob stated no one else contacted the committee about any positions. Bob will announce the nominees at the General meeting and will ask for any further nominations. The election will be in the next month (August).

**Bob Wegner - Members First committee and Luncheons** – Refer to the file:

“**Members\_First\_2015\_07\_Bob\_Wegner.docx**”. Discussion: (Bob) We lose about half of our new members because we do not establish bonds with the new members. It is valuable to do the luncheons each month to meet with the new members. Nick Cimino: Engaging new members is important. The board members do not have to come to the luncheons. (The luncheons are) a small group where we talk to the new members and they talk to the board members.

Activity Report – (**File: Activity\_Report\_2015\_07.docx**) - Nick Cimino: (He) may contact Gus Hines for a SIG meeting on German Research. Nick will contact Liz (Hicks?) for a SIG or other meeting in November 2015. A meeting will be held in Freeman Library in a study room that will accommodate only 6 to 12 people.

**Treasurer Report – Loren Martin – Files: Budget\_2015\_2016.xls, FinancialReport2015-06.xls, and Treasurer Report 2015-07.xls** were emailed prior to the meeting. The only budget change was ***to the proposal submitted last month was increase the amount for Show and Tell to \$300.00.*** Motion: Bob Wegner moved and Polly Swerdlin seconded to approve the budget for 2015-2016. The motion passed.

Monthly report: Started June 1<sup>st</sup> **bank balance** with \$4,458.14 Members joining brought in \$160. Refund of more expensive PO Box was \$34.00. Sold a Padfolio and Cookbook to have an

income for the month *of* \$239.23. Expenses were \$85.50 for University Baptist Church for the June meeting. Ending bank account was \$4,611.87. For the year to date, we are spending below the budget for most every category and especially less for speakers. ***The year-to-date*** expenses will be higher after the August Show and Tell meeting.

Billy Mayo stated that Board members are encouraged to submit expenses so the books can be closed for the fiscal year. Loren ***suggested that the Board plan educational usage*** for the CD and bank balance. – No further discussion on the money in the bank.

**Show and Tell report – Billy Mayo:** *He* spoke with Dickenson Barbeque and for the same amount of meat as last time the cost would be \$315.78 when the cost was \$250.00. Billy talked with A.J's in Dickinson and that amount would be less than \$200.00. Because there was just enough meat last year and some members were at another event, Billy will buy more meat this year.

Last year we had 8 pounds of Brisket, 8 pounds of Sausage and 6 pounds of Turkey. A.J's cost is \$13 per pound of Brisket, \$6 per pound of Sausage and \$7 per pound of turkey. We decided to change the mix to 4 pounds of sausage, 10 pounds of brisket and 8 pounds of turkey. Billy may modify the amounts and is authorized to spend up to ***\$300.00***.

**Web page – Polly Swerdlin:** The Member's page now has all quarterlies ***thanks to Billy Mayo's information***. Since December 2004, the covers are a separate file. (The board did not think that needed to be fixed). The FGS wordpress webinar suggested two administrators (BAGS has that) and two editors (Nick Cimino and Kim Zrubek volunteered). Later Bob Wegner decided he needed to be an editor. Editors can add, delete and change files but not change the web-site look.

Bill Mayo discovered the old roots web hosted site still existed. Polly got the password from Linda Carrington and will re-direct that site to the new site. (The files may be removed by us). Our domain name is paid up until March of 2016. Polly will transfer that to TerraNova which will be manage our domain name free to our organization.

**Five Generation Charts – Garry Garrett:** He will put a copy of the blank 5-generation chart on the members' page. Garry will put the past 5-generation charts on the web. If permission was given by the person, the chart will be accessible by the members. Garry will email the 5 generation owner to get permission to publish the five generation chart. Action: Announce Garry Garrett has taken over the 5-generation charts.

**Journal report – Melodey Hauch:** 33 pages are ready so far with Garry's five generation chart there are 34 pages ready. Melodey wrote a history of BAGS from the 2001-2007 Newsletters. The Journal will be ready for the September meeting.

**Registrar Report – Bob Wegner:** (File: **2015\_07\_Registrar\_Report.docx**) We have 200 members. Two deaths not on the report: Bill Barnett and Allen Ganch who were former members.

Note: The corresponding secretary and the registrar need to be informed if any member passes on.

Polly will add a memorial on the web-page for the year for members who died during the year.

Show and Tell – Bob Wegner asked if it is possible to video table the presentations. After some discussion, Shirley Lindquist decided to table this issue for the next administration.

**Bus Trips – Loren reported:** Wednesday July 15, 2015 there were 12 people on the bus to Clayton Library including several new members. The group collected \$25.00 which is donated to Harris County for other senior programs. BAGS get the bus for ***no-charge*** as part of the Harris County senior programs.

**Member services – Polly:** 20 more new member packets were created and given to Bob Wegner. There was no information if more members need rides to the meetings.

**Publicity- Neil:** Neil will email the contacts this week the information on the August meeting.

Shirley Lindquist asked about the BAGS banner – No one present knew about what happened to the banner.

Cookbooks – Bob Wegner had two boxes. Neil will take those back.

Minutes by Neil Miserendino (I accepted all of the edits from Loren Martin)