

**Bay Area Genealogical Society
General Membership Meeting Minutes
February 2016**

Date: Friday, February 26, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Place: University Baptist Church, 16106 Middlebrook Road, Houston, Texas

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Loren Martin. Pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags were recited in unison.

BUSINESS: The membership voted on the Board recommendation to revise the bylaws extending the BAGS membership renewal date from October to December as follows:

Article IV, Section C, Item 3: "To be included in the Yearbook, annual dues must be paid by the September General Meeting. Any member who has not renewed by October [revise to December] 31 shall be removed from the membership roll."

Bob Wegner moved that the change in month be accepted, Bill Mayo seconded and the motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The 2015-2016 *BAGS Yearbooks* are available. Garry Garrett will distribute them at the meeting.
- President Martin announced "I Can Help" opportunities for volunteers including the need for a Recording Secretary and a Historian assistant to help Tammy Frey with scrapbooking. Volunteers should contact Loren Martin for the secretarial position and Tammy Frey for the historian position.
- Bus trips to Clayton Library are scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd and Wednesday, May 10th. A sign-up sheet was available.
- Members were encouraged to give a copy of their pedigree charts to Garry Garrett for publication in the *BAGS Journal*. The charts do not need to be completely filled out to be included in the *Journal*.
- Loren asked members to consider a BAGS Member Project Interest Questionnaire which had been handed out. The areas of possible interest were the publication of a BAGS cookbook supplement, the survey of a local cemetery to be submitted to Billiongraves.com, and the order of new BAGS merchandise including tote bags, pad folios, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- The Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemoration will be held at the Bay Area Veterans Memorial, 1106 Main Street in Seabrook on March 29, 2016 at 10 a.m., hosted by the Sam Houston Chapter, DAR.

PROGRAM: 2nd Vice President Kim Zrubek introduced the speaker, Melissa Hayes, Assistant Branch Manager of the Clayton Library. Ms. Hayes presented a program entitled "Adoption: Searching for Clues."

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS: Visitors Dorothy Spaulding, Scott Merkel, Liz Hicks and Steve Littleton were welcomed by the President.

FUTURE MEETINGS: The next BAGS Board meeting will be held on March 14th at 6:30 p.m. at UBC room EB105. The next general meeting and book swap will be on March 18th with social starting at 6:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Melodey Hauch,
Substituting as Recording Secretary