Bay Area Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes September 29, 2017

Call to order at 6:30 pm by Nick Cimino, 1st VP.

US and Texas pledge of Allegiance led by Nick Cimino

Invocation by Jeannie Lawrence. Discussed the history of BAGS. Established September 1, 2001. by Carolyn Hellen.

Election and Installation of Officers: Bob Wegner, Nomininating Committee Chair. Asked for nominations from floor. None were offered. Discussion - no one had any discussion. Motion by Alice Braud Jones to Accept Slate of Officers as stated, Second by Barbara Moore. Officers were sworn in by Melodey Hauch.

Visitors were recognized by Nick Cimino, 1st VP.

Announcements: Be sure you have signed in. Visitors please include your address so we can send thank you card.

Annual membership renewal for 2017/2018.

Pick up new September Journal from Melodey Hauch

Volunteers needed for Telephone Committee - Sharon Drick

volunteered and we welcome her assistance.

No announcements from the floor.

Clayton Library reopened this week

Members helping Members and Recap session will be held October 15, 2017 from 2 pm to 4 pm at Helen Hall Library..

Texas State Genealogical Society Family history Conference Houston October 20-22 - Cancelled.

Password to access BAGS member page changes October 1, 2017, ask Bob Wegner, Registar for the new password.

Introduction: Kim Zrubek introduced our speaker, Irene Walkers, Clayton Library, presenting Long Live your French Ancestors.

Irene Walkers reviewed the French Localities and how they are different from the ones we use in the U.S. French Record Keeping, begin in 1792. One note of interest is that women keep their birth name in records for their whole life. On birth records if child is born before marriage, the marriage makes the child legitimate. The death record is filed on the Birth record. Records do not show religion unless not Catholic as it was presumed all were Catholic unless stated otherwise. You needed parental permission to join Military Service and for permission to marry. Citizens needed permission to move from one local to another. French online sites were listed for use in research. Many questions were answered from the floor. Very informative information.

Kim Zrubek thanked Irene Walkers for very informative presentation.

Clayton Bus trip October 18, 2017, please sign up if you are interested in going.

Next general meeting is October 27, 2017. David Gardiner, Reading between the lines, and in depth look at U. K. Census records.

Do not forget to return your name badges.

Meeting adjourned at 835 pm by Nick Cimino, 1st VP respectively submitted Kathie Chaffee, Recording Secretary