

Bay Area Genealogical Society (BAGS) – General Membership Meeting Agenda
Friday, January 28, 2022, 7:00 pm
Zoom Webinar

Call to Order – Lisa Smith, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Welcome to Visitors and New Members – Lisa welcomed new members and visitors to the meeting. Lisa reminded visitors that they may attend two meetings prior to joining BAGS.

Announcements

- **Membership Report:** Lisa announced the number of current members is 156.
- **Journal:** The December 2021 Journal is complete and was uploaded to the website on December 10. Printed copies of the June 2021 Journal will be mailed to the 2020-2021 members who requested and paid the \$5 mailing fee as well as to the authors.
- **Yearbook:** The 2021-2022 Yearbook is complete and was uploaded to the website on January 20. Printed copies will be mailed to members who requested and paid the \$5 mailing fee.
- **E-mail Coordinator, Telephone Chair, County Coordinator:** Lisa announced that Jessica Bird assumed the position, Email Coordinator, and that Denise Hewitt assumed the position, Telephone Chair. Kathleen Williams will fill the County Coordinator position. Lisa also announced two volunteers are needed on the Telephone Committee. Lisa encouraged members to consider serving as an alternate for the following positions: 2nd Vice-President, Treasurer, Registrar, Historian, Journal Editor, Members Services, and Yearbook.
- **New Email Platform:** Lisa informed the membership that we will be moving to a new email platform, MailChimp.

Bylaws Change

- Lisa called for a vote on a change to the bylaws to add a Student membership; 10% or 16 members are required for a quorum. The quorum was met and the following change to the bylaws was approved.

Article IV Membership and Dues

3. Student (individual)

- a. An individual membership for any full-time student, 18 years of age or older. A copy of the student's school identification must be presented with the membership application.

Future Events – Lisa encouraged members to attend the following BAGS events and to access the various genealogical events that are posted on the sidebar of the website.

- **Members Helping Members:** Designed to provide an avenue for member sharing about recent research discoveries or accomplishments and provide a means to ask for assistance with roadblocks. See website for details.
 - **Online via Zoom #1 – Monday mornings at 10 AM**
Moderators: Renee Ball and George Porterfield
 - **Online via Zoom #2 – Monday evenings at 7 PM**
Moderators: Kim Zrubek and George Porterfield
 - **Online via Zoom #3 – 1st Sunday of each month at 2 PM**
Moderator: Kim Zrubek
 - **In-Person – The Friendswood Family History Center – 3rd Wednesdays at 9:30 AM**
Open only to BAGS members for research. Bring your own laptop and use their Wi-Fi or use one of their six computers.
- **German Special Interest Group – Online via Zoom 2nd Wednesdays at 7:00 PM**
Moderators: George Porterfield and Karen Engelauf.
- **Brick Wall Special Interest Group – Online via Zoom**
Moderator: Kathleen Williams. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 20 at 1 pm; sign up on our website.
- **Other upcoming events:** See the sidebar of the website for links.

Contact the Board of Directors if you have questions or suggestions about BAGS programs at
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Tonight's Program – Lisa introduced the speaker, Sue Kaufman, the manager of the Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research, Houston Public Library. Ms. Kaufman has been a genealogy librarian for 22 years including six years at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the nation's largest genealogy collection in a public library. She has served on boards of various genealogical societies including the Texas State Genealogical Society and the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS). Ms. Kaufman presented the topic, Clayton Library Updates.

Next General Meeting – February 25, 2022, at 7:00 PM

- Lisa announced the speaker for the February meeting is Thomas MacEntee who will present the topic, The 1950 US Federal Census — Are You Ready?

Adjournment – Lisa adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.