

Bay Area Genealogical Society (BAGS) – General Membership Meeting Agenda
Friday, June 24, 2022, 7:00 pm
Zoom Webinar

Call to Order – Lisa Smith, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 164.
- **Bylaws Change Vote:** Lisa reviewed a summary of the proposed changes to the Bylaws including changing the fiscal year from September 1-August 31 to calendar year January 1-December 31. Lisa announced that a quorum of 16 members (10% of our membership) was met and she conducted a poll to approve the changes. The proposed changes to the Bylaws were approved by the members.
- **Types of Meetings:** Lisa conducted a poll to determine what type of meetings the members were interested in attending. The types of meetings included in-person only, virtual only, alternating in-person and virtual and hybrid. Lisa informed the members that a hybrid meeting type, virtually streaming in-person meetings, was dependent on cost and available technology. A majority of the members selected alternating in-person and virtual meetings. Lisa announced that the Board is also considering offering educational sessions in 2023 for the months of June and July.
- **Open Positions:** Lisa announced that Cynthia Austin has agreed to accept the position, Newsletter Editor, and that the position, Members Services, has been eliminated. Lisa reminded members that if a member volunteers for one of the open positions and remains in that position until the end of 2022 they will receive a free membership for next year. Lisa encouraged members to volunteer for one of the following open positions:
 - 2nd Vice President – in charge of monthly programing
 - Alternates for the following: 2nd Vice-President, Treasurer, Registrar, Journal Editor, Yearbook.

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 sidebar of the website for details.
 - **Online via Zoom #1 – Monday mornings at 10:00 AM**
Moderators: Renee Ball and George Porterfield
 - **Online via Zoom #2 – Monday evenings at 7:00 PM**
Moderator: Kim Zrubek
 - **Online via Zoom #3 – 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM**
No session in July. Next session August 7. Moderator: Kim Zrubek
 - **In-Person – The Friendswood Family History Center – 3rd Wednesdays at 9:30 AM**
Next session Wednesday, July 20. 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**
Next session July 13. Moderators: George Porterfield and Karen Engelauf.
- **Brick Wall Busters Special Interest Group – Online via Zoom Sunday, July 10, 1:00-3:00 PM**
Moderator: Kathleen Williams.
- **Meet ‘n’ Munch Social – Sunday, June 26 at 4:00 PM** at Red River BBQ in League City.
- **Clayton Bus Trips:** Lisa announced that no bus trips are currently scheduled as the process for scheduling bus trips is under revision.
- **Clayton Library Meet Up – Saturday, July 23.** Drive your own vehicle or carpool with other members. Bring a lunch, flash drive to save records from the computer and change in coin and dollar bills to make copies from books. For more information go to the website or contact CountyCoord@txbayareagen.org
- **Other upcoming events:** See the sidebar of the website for links.

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Tonight's Program – Lisa announced that tonight's program was a pre-recorded session from the Texas State Genealogical Society (TxSGS). Lisa informed the members that since the program was pre-recorded no Q&A session will be held following the presentation. Lisa announced that the program speaker was John Sellers who presented the topic, The Other Courthouse – The District. Mr. Sellers has been a genealogical researcher since 1985 and his favorite area of research is the courthouse. He has visited courthouses in several southern states and has conducted extensive research in Texas and Louisiana. Mr. Sellers has been the featured speaker for more than 65 all day seminars located in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma.

Next General Meeting – Friday, July 29, 2022, at 7:00 PM Online via Zoom

Lisa announced that the speaker for the July virtual meeting is Tony Hanson who will present the topic, Paper in the Cloud.

Adjournment – Lisa adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.

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