

Dallas Genealogical Society
General Meeting
Minutes
April 4, 2020

President Suzan Younger opened the meeting at 11:00 am as a virtual presentation

Membership: Tony Hanson, our webmaster, reported 28 people who joined remotely. There was a quorum present.

Minutes from the Prior Meeting: Jean Larson made a motion to accept the March 7, 2020 minutes. Gloria Goodwin seconded the motion. There were no corrections or changes, and the minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's Report: March 2020 activity shows total deposits of \$1,932 and total expenses of \$692. The cash in the bank is \$28,712, and savings is \$97,100.

Virtual Meetings: Due to the continuing public health crisis, all Dallas Public Library locations are closed, and, for now, that means DGS is going virtual. All DGS general meetings and SIG meetings will be virtual when possible and canceled when a virtual meeting is not possible. By virtual, I mean the meetings will be available via a computer, tablet, or smartphone with Internet connections. DGS will hold the SIG meetings virtually, so please check the DGS website for the dates and times of the meetings.

Membership Category Revisions: At the March meeting, we discussed and then tabled the issue of deleting the use of the household category of membership. That issue remains tabled.

Online Access: Ancestry Library Edition and NewspaperArchive.com usually are for use in the library. However, while the library is closed, you can access these two websites from home using a Dallas Public Library card.

2020 Nominating Committee Report: Suzan Younger thanked Pat and Jim Stone, Gene Burris, and chair Tony Hanson for serving on this year's Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers for the 2020-2021 Executive Committee board positions:

- President: **Suzan Younger**
- Vice President: **Jim Thornhill**
- Secretary: **Gaya Bush**
- Treasurer: **Susan Rainwater**
- Immediate Past President: **Todd DeDecker**

Suzan called for nominations from the audience, and there were none. Members will vote on the slate at the May 2 meeting

May 2 General Meeting: DGS will hold the May 2 General Meeting virtually, as noted earlier. Please join us for a special live presentation by Gena Philibert-Ortega through an Internet connection. Gena will speak on *Celebrating the Vote: 100 Years of Women's Suffrage*.

Today's Program: Today's presentation was video-taped at the 2019 Texas State Genealogical Society's Conference. We thank TxSGS for making this video available to DGS. The speaker is Elizabeth O'Neal – **"Using Digital Libraries: Search Strategies for Family Historians."**