Dallas Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes 5 December 2020

Vice President Jim Thornhill opened the meeting at 11:00 am.

Membership: Tony Hanson reported there were 33 members and 28 visitors present at the Zoom meeting today. There was a quorum present.

Minutes from the Prior Meeting: There were no corrections or changes to the November 7, 2020 minutes, The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: November activity shows total deposits of \$2,038 and total expenses of \$364. The cash in the bank is \$24,806 and savings is \$117,114.

2020-2020 Annual Budget: The Board approved the 2020-2021 budget at the November board meeting. There is a projected income of \$35,750 and expenses of \$45,750. There will be a one-time expenditure of \$10,000 for hiring a company for rebranding and creating a new logo for DGS. This expenditure accounts for the disparity between expenses and income. There were questions and comments from the membership about the low return on interest from the interest-savings account. The board will investigate avenues for greater returns on interest on the account. Caroline Simpson made a motion to approve the budget. Gloria Goodwin seconded the motion. The budget was accepted.

The 2020-2021 budget is posted on the DGS website as HOME>Society>Documents>Budgets

Special Interest Groups: Upcoming SIG meetings were noted. The Events tab on the DGS website contains details about each meeting.

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Today's Presentation: Richard Schlaudroff - "Researching Masons"