Minutes of the General Meeting
Dallas Genealogical Society
Saturday, April 7, 2012
Auditorium, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
Dallas Public Library System

The meeting was called to order at 11am by President David Temple.

Secretary Carolyn Davis read the minutes of the previous General Meeting held March 3. Janet Khashab corrected the names of the Nominating Committee members as stated in the minutes. The Committee consists of Janet Khashab, Chair, as well as Jean Larson, who represent the Board and Ora Penn, Jimmy Walters and Linda Lane who represent the general membership. Sandra Crowley moved, seconded by Ed Kutz, that the minutes be approved as read with the appropriate corrections. The motion passed.

Treasurer Nathan White reported that all bills have been paid and deposits made. The Society has \$50,103.00 in our checking account and \$54,486.00 in our money market account.

VP Sandra Crowley reported that feedback about the Spring Lecture was very positive. She reminded attendees of the July 13-14 Summer Institute "Finding My Way Home" and the Fall Lecture on September 29, "Military Records" presented by Craig Scott.

Director of Education Jean Larson reminded the audience of the three free beginners classes to be held Saturday mornings, April 14, 21, and 28. In addition, she provided an update about the two family history series on TV this spring - "Who Do You Think You Are" on NBC and PBS's "Finding Your Roots". Jean also urged members to make their hotel reservations for the Salt Lake City Trip, September 12-19. She also announced that the speaker for the May 5 meeting will be Lynell Moss.

Director of Membership Gloria Goodwin reported that 38 members and 4 guests were in attendance.

Chair of the Nominating Committee Janet Khashab announced the candidates for Officers for the 2012-2013 year. Operating under the new ByLaws approved last year, there are now four positions which are elected by the membership. Members will vote on the slate of candidates at the May 5 General Meeting. The positions and candidates are:

President - David Temple

Vice President - Sandra Crowley

Secretary - Jean Larson

Treasurer - Nathan White

Janet also said that the position of Director of Education is open and asked for recommendations. According to the new ByLaws, the Directors of Education, Membership, Printing & Distribution, Publicity, Volunteer Coordination and Publication Content are appointed by the Executive Committee and subject to ratification by the membership at the general meeting in September.

Jean introduced the program speaker Brian Collins, Archivist at the Dallas Public Library. His topic - how to use the <u>Dallas Morning News Archives</u> online through the DPL's web site. He taught us several advanced search techniques which result in better, more focused articles retrieved. Brian also reviewed many of the other resources available in DPL's Texas Dallas History Division.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Davis, Secretary Dallas Genealogical Society