

Minutes of the General Meeting
Dallas Genealogical Society
Saturday, September 8, 2012
Auditorium, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
Dallas Public Library System

The meeting was called to order at 11:00am by President David Temple.

Director of Membership Gloria Goodwin reported that 37 members and 8 guests were in attendance.

Secretary Carolyn Davis read the minutes of the last General Meeting held on May 5. One correction was noted. Pat Stone moved, seconded by Sandra Crowley, that the minutes be approved as read and corrected. The motion carried. David suggested that since the minutes are posted on the door to the auditorium for members to view before our meetings, he may not ask the Secretary to read the minutes during each meeting.

Vice President Sandra Crowley gave a brief review of the successful Summer Institute which 100 people attended. Our Fall Lecture - Military Records with Craig Scott - will be held Saturday, September 29. Early Bird registration at a discounted price ends September 15. Sandra also announced that Paula Stewart Warren will be the featured speaker at our Spring Lecture to be held on March 16, 2013.

Treasurer Nathan White reported on the Society's finances - \$65,050.00 in our checking account and \$95,000.00 in our money market account. He also briefly described the process through which DGS arrived at our 2012-2013 budget request: 1) each board member submits a request for the dollar amount needed to support his/her responsibilities, 2) the Budget Committee reviews these requests and prepares a Society budget, 3) the budget is presented to the Board for its vote and 4) the final budget is presented to the membership for its approval. Nathan White moved, seconded by Carolyn Davis, that the DGS membership adopt the proposed break-even 2012-2013 budget in the amount of \$44,150.00. The motion carried.

David advised the members that the distribution of the two major bequests made to the Society in the past year is still to be determined. The Board is discussing several options.

The President also announced several appointments to the Board for the 2012-2013 year:

Sales - Jimmy Walters
Membership - Gloria Goodwin
Printing & Distribution - Harmon Adair
Publication Content - Marianne Szabo
Volunteers - Patrick McKinney
Publicity - Carolyn Davis
Education - open

Sandra Crowley moved, seconded by Pat Stone, that the membership approve the appointment of these Directors. The motion carried.

David advised attendees that the President's 2011-2012 Annual Report will be published in the next issue of the Society's Newsletter.

Director of Education Jean Larson reminded attendees that the annual research trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City is September 12-19, 2012. The 2013 trip is in the planning stages. Our usual SLC hotel is booked for September and October so we will need to either plan for November or consider Washington DC (LOC/NARA/DAR) as an alternative destination. Jean requested feedback at education@dallasgenealogy.org. Jean also announced that the speaker for our November 10 General Meeting will be Mike Wright from the Fort Worth NARA office. His topic - how to search NARA's online web site. DGS's 2012 Annual Awards Luncheon will be held Saturday, December 8.

Following the General Meeting, Jean introduced speaker Pam Moore who informed and entertained the audience with her presentation 'The Haywoods - Bridging the Past, Present and Future'.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Davis, Secretary
Dallas Genealogical Society