

Bay Area Genealogical Society
Board Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2015

- Call to order: Barbara Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:47 pm.
- Roll Call:

Robert DeLaruelle	Debra Frey	Barbara Hoffman
Kathleen Laprise	Julie Nivens	Jean Spodeck
Sherry Vander Missen	Judith Wendt	Anne Kasuboski
Jennifer Marshall	Mary Jane Herber	

Guest: Dianne Gofford , Judy Anderson

- I. Review of Secretary Minutes from previous meeting: Theresa Savage
Kathy Laprise proposed, seconded by Sherry Vander Missen. All approved and none opposed. The minutes of the March 28th 2015 annual meeting were reviewed with corrections noted. Anne will provide corrected copies at the May meeting.
- II. Review of Treasurer report from the current month: Sherry Vander Missen
Robert made a motion to accept the treasurers report as written, Debra Frey seconded the motion, all approved and none opposed. A suggestion was made to create one separate sheet just for the annual conference to make it easier to compare the annual conference from year to year.

III. President: Barbara Hoffman

New members were welcomed and given their manuals, and various duties were reviewed. A new list of board directors and Committee chairpersons was distributed, and corrections noted—corrected list to be distributed soon. A list of new officers appeared in the Sunday April 19th edition of the *Green Bay Press Gazette* in the business section.

Review of March 28, 2015 annual meeting and banquet. There were 52 attendees at the banquet. General comments indicated that the speaker was easy to listen to and was a good match for the expertise level of our audience. The location was too warm.

GEMS survey: some readers want it more often; used to be every other month; frequency reduced due to the work involved and postage costs. The current issue size of 12 pages is one ounce, and is on the borderline of costing more to mail.

- IV. **Vice President: Kathy Laprise.** A slate of programs is under development for the society. In May Kathy will present a program on DNA just prior to the board meeting. A program on Genealogy and Social Media is planned for September 22nd at 5:30p.m, with additional programs in the works for October and November.

- V. **Corresponding secretary:** Debra Frey will send a thank you note and survey results to the speaker.

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Nominating Committee - Robert De Laruelle, Kathie Laprise, Barbara Hoffman We still have one opening for a member at large for 2015-2017.

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- B. Cemetery Chairperson – Linda Lehrer No report.
- C. Programs Committee – Robert De Laruelle, Kathie Laprise
 - i. May 19, 2015 5:30-7:00pm Presentation – Finding Genealogical DNA Basics by Kathleen Laprise - Located in the Library Auditorium. Information from 4 different testing companies will be available.
 - ii. 2016 Annual Banquet — Date was originally set for March 19th, 2016. Date for 2017 annual meeting and banquet is March 25th, 2017. Due to conflicts, Jennifer proposed and Kathy seconded moving the 2016 banquet to April 2nd. Motion Approved.
- D. GEMS Newsletter Editors – Jean Spodeck, Katie Stilp
 - i. Deadline for the next edition is June 1. The July issue will focus on the new board members. October is our 40th anniversary. Possibility of listing each year’s board members and featuring articles from past issues.
- E. Jean Nicolet Committee Chairperson – Dianne Briggs
 - i. Wednesday, May 13 and June 10th, 2015 next volunteer night; this event has been changed to the second Wednesday of the month.
- F. Membership Chairperson – Barbara Hoffman
 - i. As of the April 28th meeting, 84 members had renewed, and there were 10 new members
- G. Sales Chairperson – Pat Mc Namara –
 - i. Sales at 2015 banquet are up.
- H. Website Redesign Committee – Linda Lehrer, Jean Spodeck
 - i. No update.
- I. By Law Review Committee - Robert De Laruelle, Barbara Hoffman, Jean Spodeck
 - i. To be reviewed at next meeting
- J. Other business:
 - Help is needed for printing and assembling the bound GEMS book..
 - Sherry has filed the annual “Non-Stock Corporation Annual Report” and paid the filing fee.
- K. Unfinished business & New business—postponed due to time.
- L. Announcements

Next Meeting: May 19th, 2015 presentation on “DNA.” By Kathleen Laprise before 6:30 p.m. meeting

Kathleen made a motion to adjourn, Judy seconded the motion; motion passed

Minutes respectfully
submitted by:
Anne Kasuboski
Recording Secretary