

Bay Area Genealogical Society
Condensed Board Meeting Minutes January 26, 2016

Call to order at 6:15 p.m. by President Barbara Hoffman

Present: Barbara Hoffman, Debra Frey, Anne Kasuboski, Ed Graves, Jean Spodeck, Sherry Vander Missen, Julie Nivens, Judith Wendt, Kathleen Laprise via phone, Robert DeLaruelle

Review of Secretary's Minutes: Minutes from previous meeting: *Anne Kasuboski*: Sherry proposed and Judith seconded approval of minutes with corrections. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: *Debra* proposed and Julie seconded approval of treasurer's report. Motion passed.

President's Report: *Barbara Hoffman*:

- Strengthening relationship with other groups such as the Brown County Historical Society, the Antiquarian Society, Heritage Hill, and similar groups will help promote awareness of what we offer to the community.
- After a discussion regarding possibility of becoming affiliates of national level groups such as the National Genealogical Society and the Federation of Genealogical Societies, Kathleen volunteered to research the benefits and costs of both for further discussion.

Corresponding Secretary: *Debra Frey*—Thank- you letters have been sent out for recent donations.

Programming Committee: *Robert DeLaruelle, Kathleen Laprise, Anne Kasuboski* –

- Future programs at Brown County Library to be held in one of the smaller rooms
- The rooms can be set up to accommodate 10 tables and 80 chairs. We normally average 35-45 attendees.
- We will try and arrange programs for the first Thursday of the month. It was agreed to make a donation to the Wisconsin Veterans Museum for Russell Horton's presentation on March 3rd, as well as paying the LCD projector fee..
- Anne is checking with Russell regarding other needs such as reproducing handouts, etc. We will not charge for attending programs.
- In addition to the April 2nd annual meeting with Paula Stuart Warren, the current lineup is:
 - **March 3** Russell Horton --Military Research and the Resources of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum
 - **May 5th** Louise Pfothenauer What's Inside: Research at the Neville
 - **June 2nd** Dr. Adam Stueck Genealogical Research in the Technological Age

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- **Annual Conference 2016**—April 2nd with Paula Stuart Warren as our speaker A task list was distributed and the board began assigning tasks; to be continued at next meeting.
- **Nominating Committee:** *Robert DeLaruelle, Kathleen Laprise, Barbara Hoffman* – terms that are expiring are:
 - treasurer (currently Sherry Vander Missen),
 - member at large (currently Judith Wendt, back-up treasurer),
 - corresponding secretary (currently Debra Frey),
 - member at large (currently Robert DeLaruelle),
 - president (currently Barbara Hoffman),
 - vice-president (currently Kathleen Laprise),
 - member at large (currently Jennifer Marshall).
- All current board members except Robert are willing to run for re-election. Therefore we still have one member-at-large position that will need to be filled.
- **GEMS Newsletter editors:** Deadline is March 1st for the April 1st issue. Next issue will include an article about the presentation at the Family History Center, and the military research program. A co-editor is still needed.
- **Jean Nicolet Project:** Next volunteer night is February 10th.
- **Membership:** *Barbara Hoffman* —118 memberships by the end of 2015, including 11 new members.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 23rd 2016 at 6:00 p.m., Brown Co. Library board room

Adjournment: Debra proposed and Jean seconded adjournment of meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Motion carried.