

1 February 2014 Minutes for the General Meeting Respectfully submitted by Marie Navarro, Secretary

President Sandra Crowley called the meeting to order at 10:58am.

The minutes from the January meeting were approved, as posted both on the Website, and at the meeting.

Gloria Goodwin, Director of Membership, reported that there were 66 members attending today's meeting.

Linda Lane, Treasurer, reported that all outstanding bills had been paid, and our current balances were:

\$95, 156.62 in our money market account

\$67, 797.47 in our checking account.

Jean Larson, Vice President, talked about the March 22nd Spring Lecture. Laura G. Prescott will be our speaker and she will be covering records that you don't usually think of checking. She said due to the restoration of the 7th floor, lunch would not be provided this year. For that reason the lunch break will be extended to 1 ½ hours. A list of restaurants that are within walking distance to the library will be provided, and attendees are also welcome to bring their lunch.

Jean also reported that the event formally referred to as Summer Institute would now be called Summer Suposum since that verbiage better reflected the event. The speaker at this year's Summer Suposium, scheduled for July 11th and 12th is John Cotlett.

The Fall Speaker has also been selected, but again, the contract has not been signed, she can't yet reveal that name. The Fall Lecture will take place on September 27th.

President Sandra Crowley reminded everyone of the 2014 Writing Contest. Entries will be accepted from January 1st to April 1st. She said details could be found at our website, and we also have a flyer for anyone who might be interested.

Sandra Crowley also talked about The RootsTech 2014 Conference, held on February 6 – 8 in Salt Lake City. She said there are 10,000 people registered, and they will also be streaming live on their website, which is www.rootstech.org

Cheryl Freeman announced the upcoming speakers: Next month on March 1st our speaker will be Steven Butler, Ph. D. We'll determine his topic on Monday but he is a Dallas historian. April's speaker will be Meg Hatcher, who will be discussing "NARA's Online Public Access, Live Demonstration"

Presentation by Michael Bassett: "DNA Testing for Genealogical Purposes".

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 pm.