



The annual Board of Directors meeting of the Dunham-Singleton Family Connections dba Dunham Genealogy Research Association was held on Sunday March 14, 2021 at 1:00 pm PDT via conference call. The meeting was announced in advance to members on the Website and Facebook.

President Jeff Dunham called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm PDT. Board Members present were:

- Selma Blackmon (VP & Dir),
- John Duguid (DNA Project Coordinator & Dir),
- Jeff Dunham (Pres),
- Joann Dunham (Dir),
- Trudy Dunham (Secretary, Asst. Treasurer & Dir),
- Lisa Eschenburg (Dir),
- Audrey Hancock (Dir),
- Gratia Mahony (Historian & Dir),
- James Streeter (Treasurer & Dir), and
- Eric Stoltz (Dir)

Director Jacquelyn Coniglio was absent.

Secretarial Report: The minutes of the 2020 Board meeting were presented. It was moved by Trudy Dunham and seconded by Jeff Dunham to accept the minutes as posted online at <http://www.dunham-singleton.org/mw/images/2/23/SecReport-Mar2020.pdf>. The motion carried.

Treasurer Report and 2020 Budget: James Streeter presented the Treasurer Report, posted online at <http://www.dunham-singleton.org/mw/images/4/4c/FinReport-2020.pdf>.

Balances as 12 March 2021: General 6310.02 – DNA 215.55 – Memorial 100.00 -- Research 234.41 – Total 6859.98 plus 85.65 on PayPal – Total 6945.63

It was moved by James Streeter and seconded Jeff Dunham to accept the Treasurer report.

The 2021 organizational budget was presented:

<u>2021 Budget Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Annual Corporation Reporting Fee	20.00
National Genealogical Societies	50.00
Research Fees and Supplies - Gratia Mahony	1,800.00
Domain Registration - paid to 1 May 2020	0.00
Board Meeting Teleconference expense	25.00
Total	1,895.00

It was confirmed that Jeff Dunham was continuing to cover the costs of the domain registration and website hosting at no charge to the organization. James Streeter moved and Audrey Hancock seconded acceptance of the budget as presented. The motion carried.

Membership: As of 12 March, we have 37 DGRA Members, 11 Bronze Members and 5 Gold Members for a total of 53.

Gratia Mahony moved that the organization develop a membership Dunham Genealogy Association certificate with the organization logo to send along with thank you to those who send donation; Jeff Dunham seconded the motion. Lisa Eschenburg & James Streeter will work together to draft something.

Dunham DNA Report: John Duguid presented on the DNA Project.

Following is a breakdown of the members of the Family Tree Dunham-Singletary Y-DNA group. There are 179 people in the group of which 127 have had their Y-DNA tested. This means there 179 - 127 = 52 others (women and untested men) in the group.

- Haplogroup I-M253 - Deacon John = 43 members
- Haplogroup I-M253 - not named Dunham = 9
- Haplogroup I-M223 - Dunham = 25
- Haplogroup I-M223 - Singletary = 6
- Haplogroup I-M223 - not named Dunham/Singletary = 1
- Haplogroup R-M269 - Dunhams of Anglo-Saxon origin = 13
- Haplogroup R-M269 - non Dunhams = 10
- Haplogroup G-M201 - Dunhams = 3
- Haplogroups various - Dunhams = 3
- Haplogroups various - non-Dunham or Singletary = 14

Note: Names similar to Dunham (e.g., Denham) are counted as Dunhams.

Our DNA test provider, Family Tree DNA from Houston, Texas has merged with an Australian company, myDNA. While Family Tree's focus is on genealogy, myDNA is focused on personal health management. The CEO of the new combined company is Dr. Lior Rauchberger, a physician, and has been involved in the genetics industry for the past decade. His plan is to improve the FTDNA platform and accelerate product development. He has stated that customer data will be maintained separately, and the two businesses will operate independently. He also commits to never sell, trade or barter our DNA data.

It was moved by Trudy Dunham and seconded by James Streeter to accept the DNA Project Report as presented; the motion carried.

Joann Dunham will participate in the free online NGS Workshop in March and begin to provide some representation for us.

Dunham's in America – Research and Newsletters Gratia Mahony reported on the status of her research and the quarterly newsletters.

2020 began with the study of ThruLines™, a new genealogy research method used by Ancestry.com to trace ancestors using cMs (centimorgan) comparisons. I worked with James George Dunham who used this process to identify an ancestral line. I also worked to publish an article about the ThruLines™ process for the January 2020 newsletter so that our readers could better understand this new method which uses

autosomal DNA shared matches. For the April 2020 issue I worked with Margaret Anne Waring of Alberta Canada on her Dunham line and proved a previously unknown connection to the Dunham family living in Berlin Township, Delaware Co. Ohio. The Dunham Genealogy Research Association began a series of articles on "Dunham Landmarks". For the July issue I worked with Neal Alan Clark on his descent from Nathaniel Donham/Dunham who was probably the Nathaniel Dunham who m. Mary Sutton, and thus a Mayflower descendant. (There is still work ongoing on this line,) I also had several discussions with Alice Bouce (Cheney) Boutte who now owns the Dunham Cottage in the Adirondacks, and her descend from Deacon John Dunham. In October I worked with Michael K. Flynn who submitted an article about his ancestral line which migrated from Martha's Vineyard to Kansas, Nebraska and Wyoming. During the year I worked to prepare a summary of all the lines of Dunham Researchers completed to date for placement on the Dunham Web Site. This was submitted to James Streeter who has now placed this information onto the web site. I also want to acknowledge articles written by Jackie Coniglio and James Streeter for some of the 2020 newsletters.

Gratia Mahony reported that she will resign her position as Newsletter Editor effective January 31, 2022. James Streeter moved that we appoint Director Joann Dunham to serve as Assistant Newsletter Editor to begin immediately and work with Gratia this year, transitioning with the idea she will become our Newsletter Editor in 2022. Jeff Dunham seconded; the motion carried. Joann Dunham also indicated that she could assist Gratia with requests for historical and genealogical work.

Jeff Dunham moved and John Duguid seconded the research and newsletter report. The motion carried.

Website Status – DGRA / DS-FC:

James Streeter and Jeff Dunham presented on the organization's websites. Jeff Dunham reported that he has renewed the domain name registration for both dunham-singletary.org and dunhamgenealogy.org for another 3 years. They will expire in summer of 2024 and need to be renewed that spring. James Streeter has been working on the Dunham Name Index – the Deacon John Dunham line and Dunham/Singletary line are up, and future Indexing on the rest of the lines will happen soon. We agreed to create 1 master list, but to mark the names by their lines. The Newsletter indexes have been updated to the Jan 2021 issue. There will be some appearance updates on some pages in several sections of the Website in the future.

Social Media: There are about 125 people on the Dunham/Singletary Family Connections / Dunham Genealogy Research Association Facebook page. We have recently had a number of new members or 'likes'. It appears that some are DGRA members.

Video Conferencing: The Board discussed and agreed that it would be nice to explore video conferencing options for future DGRA board meetings and possible training. Many have never met or seen each other. During the past year, more of us have become experienced with video conferencing and have the technology at home. Joann Dunham and others indicated that they had Zoom or other conferencing and could host next year's board meeting.

Other: We will need to appoint a Nominating Committee prior to the next Board meeting. We will hold elections in 2022.

There being no further business, it was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by James Streeter to adjourn. The 2020 Board meeting was adjourned at 2:12 pm PDT.

*Minutes submitted by Trudy Dunham, Secretary
March 14, 2021*