

2024 DSFC-DGRA Annual Board Meeting Agenda

4 May 2024

The annual board meeting of the Dunham-Singleton Family Connections – Dunham Genealogy Research Association is scheduled for Sunday, 5 May 2024 at 1:00 pm Pacific – 4:00 pm Eastern. If you would like to attend the Conference Call, please contact James Streeter at: james8313@sti.net

Item 1 - Secretarial Report: [SecReport-Mar2023.pdf \(dunham-singleton.org\)](#)

Item 2 - Treasurer Report: [FinReport-2023.pdf \(dunham-singleton.org\)](#)

Balances as 30 Apr 2023: General 9229.85 – DNA 215.55 – Memorial 100.00 -- Research 334.41 – Total 9879.81 plus 17.85 on PayPal – Total **9897.66** – plus a 25.00 check that needs to be deposited.

Item 3 – DGRA 2024 Budget

Item	Amount
Annual Corporation Reporting Fee	20.00
DGRA DBA Renewal Fee (every 5 yrs.)	20.00
National Genealogical Societies	50.00
Research Fees and Supplies –	1,200.00
Newsletter Expenses	600.00
Domain Registration - paid to 1 May 2025	76.96
New Server Expenses	300.00
Board Meeting Teleconference expense	30.00
Total	2220.00

Item 4 – Membership Report - James Streeter

In 2023 DGRA had a total of 44 members vs 57 in 2022.

The 2024 Membership as of 29 April we have 28 DGRA Members, 8 Bronze Members and 7 Gold Members for a total of 43. A 2nd notice has been sent to all who did not respond to the initial membership letter.

Item 5 – DGRA Board of Directors

DGRA has had several changes on the Board. Pat Meyer and Audrey Hancock have resigned their position as members of the DGRA Board of Directors. With their resignation we now have 9 members on the Board. If anyone knows of any member of DGRA that would make a good Board Member please let the Board of Directors know.

The Bi-Annual Election of the Board of Directors took place in April and the Ballots were sent to the active members and we received 19 ballots back. A review of the returned ballots indicated that all were in favor of all the candidates.

Item 6 - DNA Project Report - Jeff Dunham

Over the last 12 months, we have 5 male members who have joined our DNA group on Family Tree DNA.

Of those, three were not either dunham-singletary or Deacon John dunham male line descendants. They are joining for autosomal comparisons to others in our group.

The remaining two are dunham-singletary male line descendants.

Item 7 – Dunham's in America – Report from the Historian - Gratia Mahony

In preparation for writing the two articles in the July 2023 newsletter I visited the Harry Dunham park in Bernard Township, New Jersey. I also researched and wrote up the “Twelve Generation Descent of Harry Melville Dunham” the man the park was named to honor.

Writing the article “The Dilemma of Second Cousins named Joseph⁵ Dunham” for the October 2023 newsletter required a great deal of research by both co-authors Audrey Shields Hancock and Gratia Dunham Mahony. This important article was necessary to sort out the two cousins in the Dunham-Singletary line, both named Joseph and both having wives named Hannah. Now that this work has been done I can proceed with data entry on the Dunham web site. My thanks to Audrey Shields Hancock for her work on this problem.

For the January 2024 newsletter I provided some back ground material on the line of Rose Marie (Mushel) Ployhar who descends from Deacon John Dunham. The bulk of that article was written by James Streeter.

Continuing research on the Dunham-Singletary line allowed me to write the article for the April 2024 newsletter “The Big Picture: Nathaniel Dunham’s Family, Associates, Neighbors in Woodbridge, Scotch Plains, and Bernardstown, New Jersey”. Again this article required a major amount of time and research.

In addition I have answered several queries from other Dunham researchers and replied to some of the questions from the Dunham Facebook page.

Item 8 – DGRA Newsletter Status – James A Streeter for the Staff

The DGRA Newsletter continues in its search for a new Editor for the publication We also have a need for some writers to be added to the Staff, who will be willing to help provide a couple short articles each year.

If you know of a topic for an article or short story but do not know how to pull it all together, please let the staff know and we will provide someone to help you do the research or the write up.

Item 9 -- Website Status – DGRA / DS-FC – James A Streeter

Domain Registration is Current and paid to May 2025

Item 10 – Facebook Page & Group: by Trudy Dunham

The Dunham Genealogy Research Association page has 228 followers (up from 214 in March 2023) but sees little traffic and few posts. The Dunham Genealogy Research Association group has 190 members (up from 134 members in March 2023) but sees little traffic and few posts. Trudy posted in April to announce the Board meeting. There was a comment in January about the website being down and how to access the newsletters and a few questions for our Historian. There were problems last summer and last fall with inappropriate posts (posts not related to DGRA, selling items). I believe Jeff did create an organizational email address and Lisa did create updated images but I don't think the changes were ever reflected on the FB sites. [Note: a FB page is a profile page for the organization; a FB group is a place to share information, ask questions, discuss a shared interest.]