



The annual Board of Directors meeting of the Dunham-Singletary Family Connections dba Dunham Genealogy Research Association was held on Sunday March 3, 2019 at 1:00 pm Pacific PDT via conference call. The meeting was announced to members on the Website and Facebook.

President Jeff Dunham called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm PDT. Board Members present were: Selma Blackmon (VP & Dir), John Duguid (DNA Project Coordinator & Dir), Audrey Hancock (Dir), Gratia Mahony (Historian & Dir), James Streeter (Treasurer & Dir), Trudy Dunham (Secretary, Asst. Treasurer & Dir), and Jeff Dunham (Pres). Board members absent were: Jacquelyn Coniglio (Dir) and Eric Stoltz (Dir). Invited guest present was: Lisa Eschenburg (Member).

Secretarial Report: The minutes of the 2018 Board meeting were presented. It was moved by Gratia Mahony and seconded by James Streeter to accept the minutes as posted online at <http://www.dunham-singletary.org/mw/images/b/b5/SecReport-Mar2018.pdf> . The motion carried.

Treasurer Report: James Streeter presented the Treasurer Report, posted online at <http://www.dunham-singletary.org/mw/images/3/3f/FinReport-2018.pdf> . The online Report lists the balances as of 12/31/17; balances as of 1 March 2019 were: General Fund 6712.78 – DNA 390.55 – Research 234.41 – Total 7337.74 plus 21.22 on PayPal. The Association current Membership stands at 55, which is down 2 from last year; we need to collect dues from 78 members to break even.

The Board discussed membership and income options: keeping non-renewing members on a list so we could retain communication with them and encourage future donations; adopting a three tier (Gold, Silver, Bronze for example) membership option, with dues commensurate with the level and perhaps a digital logo or family tree for the upper tiers: something in return for the donation; and sending out a solicitation letter once or several times a year that extolled the benefits of our organization. Gratia continues to provide genealogical research and information on the Dunham family at no charge, and we should add these people to a list to solicit future donations. James Streeter agreed to add a “Donate” button to the website, as well as the option to give a Memorial or donate in memory of page.

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by Trudy Dunham to accept the Treasurer Report as posted online. The motion carried.

Proposed 2019 Budget: James Streeter presented the proposed budget:

Item	Amount
Annual Corporation Reporting Fee	20.00
Federation of Genealogical Societies	45.00
Research Fees and Supplies - Gratia Mahony	1,800.00
<u>Domain Registration - paid to 1 May 2020</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$1,865.00

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by Audrey Hancock to accept the budget as proposed. The motion carried.

DNA Report: John Duguid presented on the DNA Project. Members of the Family Tree Dunham-Singletary Y-DNA group include 167 people; 120 have had their Y-DNA tested (the 167 includes 47 women and untested men). The Dunham DNA lines are:

Haplogroup I-M253 - Deacon John = 44 members

Haplogroup I-M253 - not named Dunham = 7

Haplogroup I-M223 - Dunham/Singletary = 32

Haplogroup R-M269 - Dunhams of Anglo-Saxon origin = 12

Haplogroup R-M269 - non Dunhams = 9

Haplogroup R-M201 - Dunhams = 3

Haplogroups various - Dunhams = 2

Haplogroups various - non Dunham or Singletary = 11 TOTAL= 120

The Board discussed how we could make this data more accessible and meaningful for our members: providing information about it on both the website and social media, linking the Haplogroup info to more information on that family line and its members on our website, posting about on Facebook.

John Duguid clarified the Family Tree policy concerning access to the Dunham DNA Project data: Law enforcement does not have open access to the FTDNA Database. They cannot search FTDNA profiles any more than an ordinary user can. As with all other genetic genealogy services, law enforcement must provide valid legal process, such as a subpoena or search warrant to receive any information beyond that which any other user can access. The Family Tree DNA Privacy Policy on their website.

James Streeter received updated DNA test pricing and availability. New tests include Family Finder and the mt DNA. Pricing includes shipping if needed. Jeff Dunham is updating the DNA Project pages to reflect this information. Jeff is also working on an article on the benefits of autosomal and other DNA tests to supplement and verify family history research.

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by Gratia Mahony to accept the DNA Project Report; the motion carried.

Dunham's in America – Research and Newsletters Gratia Mahony reported on the status of her research and the quarterly newsletters. She has written about Dunhams not in either the Deacon John Dunham or Dunham-Singletary line; at least three more groups of Dunhams will be addressed in future newsletter articles. She is working on a long article (~ 40 pages) on the Dunhams of Deer Isle, Maine which will be the focus of the April 2019 newsletter. She worked with several people during 2018 to help identify their connection to the Dunhams; at times, this research has generated an article for the newsletter, and more often she has been able to refer them to existing research.

The 400th anniversary of the landing of The Mayflower will be celebrated in 2020, and Dunham connections to some of the families who came to Plymouth in 1620 will be highlighted in the newsletter. (Deacon John Dunham did not come on The Mayflower, but some of his descendants married into Mayflower families.) If you have Mayflower ties, please submit them so they can be included. Gratia

would also appreciate articles to add to the newsletter, especially articles on the personalities and contributions of Dunhams through the ages.

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by James Streeter to accept the Research and Newsletter Report; the motion carried.

Website Status – DGRA / DS-FC: James Streeter and Jeff Dunham presented on the website, noting the new updated indexes were added for the DSFC-DGRA Newsletter by issue and by genealogical articles. The Dunham Dispatch also has a complete index. Several lines that are in the Newsletters were added to the lines in the Dunham Families in America pages with more to be added in 2019. Many thanks to Audrey Hancock for her work in editing the Indexes. The Association logo adopted in 2018 is now used on the website. Many thanks to Lisa Eschenburg for her work in designing this for us. We are moving forward in our adoption of the new URL, <http://Dunhamgenealogy.org/> and our organizational name, Dunham Genealogy Research Association. We continue to explore enhancements to the appearance and ease of use of the website.

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by James Streeter to accept the Website Report; motion carried.

Social Media & Communication: Trudy Dunham discussed the need to better connect users of the DSFC Facebook group with the Association, our research and our website. The members of the FB group are researching their ties to the Dunham families, are asking questions about their line, and thus are a valuable source of energy and information to our Association. This topic tied into our earlier discussion on membership options and links with the DNA Project.

It was moved by Jeff Dunham and seconded by James Streeter to accept the Social Media Report; the motion carried.

Election of New Board Member: Lisa Eschenburg has been a member of DSFC-DGRA for a number of years, is active in a number of genealogical organizations, and contributed to the Association by designing our new logos in 2018. She was invited to join the Board.

It was moved by James Streeter and seconded by Trudy Dunham to elect Lisa Eschenburg as a Director on the Board; motion carried. Congratulations and welcome to Lisa!

It was noted that the Board will hold elections in 2020.

There was no further business.

It was moved by John Duguid and seconded by Jeff Dunham to adjourn. The 2019 Board meeting was adjourned at 2:33 pm PDT.

*Minutes submitted by Trudy Dunham, Secretary
March 3, 2019*