Chula Vista Genealogical Society Board Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2021

The board meeting was conducted via Zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions. **President Karen Smith** called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm. Members present were Karen Smith, Randy Seaver, Carole Sobke, Patricia Diane Godinez, Susan Zimmer, Gary Brock, Susi Pentico, Carrie Holleron, and Ana Castro. A Quorum was present.

Announcements: none

Officers Reports:

Secretary Report: Ana Castro presented the minutes. President Smith asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of October 6, 2021. Carole Sobke made the motion to approve minutes and Susi Pentico seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Program Chair Report: Karen Smith announced the General Meeting programs for the coming months. 24 November 2021, will be Mark Lowe, "Researching Colonial Virginia and Kentucky from Home." 15 December will be Michael Brunker, "How a DNA test changed my life." 26 January 2022, will be Diahan Southard, "Three Key Intermediate DNA Strategies." 23 February 2022, Cheri Hudson Passey, "Analyzing Probate Records." 30 March 2022, will be Pam Vestal, "What the Heck Does That Say? Overcoming the Challenge of Difficult Handwriting."

Membership Report: Carrie Holleron reported eighty-five current members including two new regular members. Carrie shared the criteria used to archive contacts to stay in CVGS maximum contacts agreement of 250.

Treasurer Report: Karen Polk sent a bank balance of \$4,648.32 in the checking account .

Committee Reports:

Librarian: No Report

Cemetery/Historian: Susan Zimmer is reviewing CVGS materials given to her for historical merit. The cemetery materials are in boxes during the construction at her home.

Education: Susi Pentico has found a website which provides Virginia's 1790 tax list; BinnsGenealogy.com.

Hospitality: Karen S. appointed Jane Furnish as Hospitality Chair and the Board approved.

Newsletter/Research/Queries: Randy Seaver announced articles are due November 4, and the newsletter will be published Sunday, November 7th. The Research group will meet Wednesday, November 10 and the DNA group will meet November 17th, General Meeting is the 24th. Check Randy's Blog for the posting of a contest to celebrate his 15,000 lifetime postings. Genea-Musing Contest winner receives a one-year Ancestry World Explorer Subscription. Contest ends on November 8th.

Ways & Means: No report

Webmaster: Gary Brock seeks ideas for improving the Website. Karen S. suggested forming a committee to provide ideas on how to improve the website and advertise for volunteers in the Newsletter.

Old Business:

- 1. **Future meeting dates:** For the November 24, 2021, General Meeting, Gary will check with the Bonita/Sunnyside Library about equipment and facilities. The Hospitality Committee will plan to provide water and cookies.
- 2. Nominating Committee: Karen S. will ask John Finch to let nominees know to attend the November 24th General Meeting. The General Meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Voting will be by show of hands and Susi will count the Zoom voters from a laptop.

New Business:

- 1. Change in the December Schedule: Susan Z. suggested a speaker, Michael Brunker.
- 2. **Program Chair Binder**: Karen S. is looking for the binder which belonged to Virginia Taylor as Vice President/Program Chair

Karen Smith adjourned the meeting at 1:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Castro, Secretary