



Sam Houston Chapter Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	Saturday, July 18, 2020	Meeting Start Time:	11:00 am
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Attendee Name	SRT Chapter Member	Guest
1. Phil Whitley	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Bart Dawson	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Dennis Giuffré	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. David George	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Bobby R. Smith	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Richard Giuffré	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. John Seekamp	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Roy Ivey	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Robert Matthews	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Peter Rindlisbacher	Honorary Member	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Gary Jarrett	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Jim Muller	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Jason Barnes	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. John Seekamp	Sam Houston Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Rodney Koenig	Monument Hill Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Gary Gillen	Lamar Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Devin Lindsey	Executive Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Randy Pollard	Executive Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Rowdy Yates	Choose an item.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



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TOPICS			
1. Old Business (<i>Existing topics of business from preceding meeting</i>)			
Topic/Title	Discussion/Action Item	Owner	Status
Treasurer Report	<p>Treasurer Phil Whitley provided a report on the status of the Chapter's funds.</p> <p>2019/11/6 Update: Letter and Meeting Minutes provided by Chapter President to the Treasurer for submittal to Capital One Bank to open a second account for the USS San Jacinto funds. Received a check for \$2338.30 from the USS San Jacinto (CG-56) Committee, Inc. towards our annual award fund. Treasurer gave an update on available monies.</p> <p>2020/01/18 Update: Capital One Bank would not accept letter and meeting minutes and requested a Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Texas Comptroller. We have gone to Randy Pollard for assistance with this request. At the end of 2019, the Chapter had \$11,752.20 available in the bank.</p> <p>2020/02/15 Update: Chapter had \$11039.40 available in our bank account. No update from Randy Pollard.</p> <p>2020/04/11 Update: None</p> <p>2020/06/27 Update: Chapter had \$10844.98 available in our bank account. Randy Pollard provided a Franchise Tax Account Status on 2020/03/16 to be used for the previously requested Certificate of Good Standing. This will be provided to the Treasurer who will then provide to our bank once the COVID-19 situation abates.</p> <p>2020/07/18 Update: The Treasurer reported no change to our accounts from the preceding month.</p>	Phil Whitley	In Progress
Ancestor Biographies Project	Vice President discussed the project of obtaining ancestor biographies from all Chapter members	Joe Moya	In Progress



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	<p>to create a Chapter Ancestor Archive Book. He has emailed all members with the appropriate biography form to complete and requested they complete/return it to him.</p> <p>2019/11/16 Update: Joe had received 15 biographies to-date and was planning to send out another reminder email. Also planning to obtain a leather-bound booklet to hold the biographies. Project to continue.</p> <p>2020/01/18 Update: No report provided by the Vice President, but Pat Wallace submitted his ancestor biography in person today.</p> <p>2020/02/15 Update: No report provided</p> <p>202/04/11 Update: The submittal of biographies from members had slowed, so Joe would send out another reminder to the membership to submit them. Had received <20 at this time.</p> <p>2020/06/27 Update: None.</p> <p>2020/07/18 Update: Seven additional biographies were received bring the total to 26.</p>		
San Felipe de Austin Masonic Lodge Restoration	<p>Chapter member Jim Muller discussed the planned renovation of the San Felipe de Austin Masonic lodge on the 2nd floor of the current San Felipe United Methodist Church. Chapter President will provide a summary to the membership to propose a role in this restoration effort for the Sam Houston Chapter. Jim Muller to provide a copy of his presentation on the topic. Consider a motion on this issue at the November meeting.</p> <p>2019/11/16 Update: No update provided.</p> <p>2020/01/18 Update: No update provided.</p> <p>2020/02/15 Update: Jim Muller discussed the presentation he created detailing the intended project and will present it to the Chapter at the May meeting in San Felipe de Austin.</p> <p>2020/04/11 Update: None.</p> <p>2020/06/27 Update: None.</p> <p>2020/07/18 Update: Jim Muller delivered a presentation on the specifics of the renovation</p>	Jim Muller	In Progress



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	project. A motion was proposed by Jim Muller and seconded by both David George and Bobby Smith; however, Dennis Giuffré requested further information and recommended the Chapter President contact David Hanover to solicit input on such a project and the risks to the Chapter. Chapter President to contact David Hanover and report back to the Chapter.		
2021 Chapter Officers	A nominating committee will be formed to propose officers for the 2021-2023 cycle. Phil Whitley expressed a desire to continue as the Treasurer during the next cycle. Chapter President to form a committee. Dennis Giuffré tentatively agreed to be the Chapter Historian for the upcoming cycle. Current VP Moya recommended pursuit of a 2 nd VP for the upcoming cycle. 2020/06/27 Update: None. 2020/07/18 Update: None.	Bart Dawson	In Progress
Increasing Membership	Chapter President announced he was working on 6+ new SRT member applications. Dennis Giuffré will accelerate his outreach to the existing membership with a focus on reengaging recent attendees to improve overall attendance. Chapter President provided Dennis with graphics and data showing the average member attendance going back to 2018 was 8 and total attendance was 13. 2020/06/27 Update: None. 2020/07/18 Update: None.	Bart Dawson Dennis Giuffré	In Progress
Purchasing an Ancestry.com account	A proposal was made for the Chapter to purchase an Ancestry.com account to better assist prospective members with their genealogy and SRT application process. Chapter President Bart Dawson to obtain account specifics and associated costs from Steve Manis. Bring forward a motion at the next meeting to spend the \$ for such an account. It was agreed that a stronger effort to assist prospective members with their	Bart Dawson	Closed



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	<p>applications will be the new normal for our Chapter.</p> <p>2020/06/27 Update: Dennis Giuffré proposed a motion for the Chapter to procure a one-year trial subscription to Ancestry.com and the Family Tree Maker software in order to better support prospective ST candidates. If at the end of one year, the Chapter decides to discontinue this service, the subscriptions will be cancelled. Bobby Smith and Rick Giuffré seconded the motion and after taking a vote, the motion was approved.</p>		
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2. New Business (<i>Brought forward during the current meeting</i>)			
Topic/Title	Discussion/Action Item	Owner	Status
Approval of the Preceding Meeting Minutes	A motion was proposed by Bobby Smith to approve the preceding Meeting Minutes from 2020/06/27 as is. David George seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.	Bart Dawson	Closed
Guest Speaker	Mr. Rowdy Yates, host of the nationally syndicated radio show " <i>The Original Country Gold with Rowdy Yates</i> " gave a presentation about historic radio/radio business.	Bart Dawson	Closed



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3. Next Meeting and Guest Speakers		
Date	Time	Guest Speaker
1/18/2020	11:30 am	Paul Dunk – Katy ISD’s Welch Outdoor Learning Center and Texas History Curriculum update
2/15/2020	After the parade	Author Gary Pinkerton – <i>True Believers: Treasure Hunters at Hendricks Lake</i>
3/2/2020	9:00 am	N/A - Lamar Flag Ceremony – Morton Cemetery, Richmond, Texas
3/2/2020	2:00 pm	SRT event at Washington-on-the-Brazos
3/6/2020	5:30 am	N/A – Dawn at the Alamo
3/20 to 3/21/2020	8:00 am	N/A – SRT National Meeting in San Antonio
4/21/2020	TBD	N/A – San Jacinto Day
5/16/2020	11:30 am @ San Felipe de Austin	Former Texas General Land Office Commissioner Jerry Patterson – Historical Correctness and a Few things you Didn't Know About Texas History - CANCELLED
6/27/2020	2:00 pm	Wade Dillon – Wade Dillon Illustrations
7/18/2020	11:00 am	Rowdy Yates – History of Radio
9/19/2020	10:00 am	N/A - Texian Navy Day
10/10-11/2020	All day	N/A – City of Katy Rice Festival
11/14/2020	9:00 am	N/A – Father of Texas Celebration at San Felipe de Austin
11/21/2020	11:30 am	TBD
12/12/2020	7:00 pm	N/A – Chapter Holiday Gathering

	Chapter meeting
	Chapter/SRT event