

TO: All Members of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society (EDHGS)

SUBJECT: Approved EDHGS Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, January 14, 2020

President Afton Tuveson convened the meeting at 6:00 PM in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

After a brief welcome, Afton introduced guest speaker, Stephen Morse, who's presentation was titled "One-Step Webpages: A Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools."

Steve Morse explained how the One-Step website started out as an aid for finding passengers in the Ellis Island database, expanded to help with searching in the 1930 census and today includes about 300 web-based tools divided into 16 separate categories ranging from genealogical searches to astronomical calculations and more. He described the range of tools available and gave highlights of each one.

Afton thanked Steve Morse for providing informative information once again and hopes he will return in 2021 to talk about preparing for the release of the 1950 U.S. Census.

Afton began the business portion of the evening with the Book Bucket. Colleen Allen passed the Book Bucket to those in attendance and explain how the Book Bucket works and the avenues EDHGS uses to add books to the El Dorado Hills Public Library's genealogical reference section.

The EDHGS sign-in sheets showed 33 members and nine guests were in attendance. Marcia Kestner introduced and thanked the guests for attending.

The annual and regular meeting minutes for November 12, 2019 were approved unanimously by the members after motions were received.

Phil Hendricks, outgoing Treasurer, gave the December 2019 Treasurer's Report. Phil stated reserves (savings) were \$5,601.01, the beginning checking account balance on December 1, 2019 was \$4,059.56, total income was \$192.91, total expenses were \$559.98, and the ending checking account balance was \$3,692.35 on December 31, 2019.

Afton reminded members that EDHGS' Genealogy Day would be from 1 PM-5 PM on March 21, 2020, in the EDH Public Library's Community Room. As a sign-up sheet was passed around, Afton asked members to volunteer to help either as a researcher, book section helper, as a runner or greeter. Afton shared that she is looking for a publicity "hook" – interest story - and asked members to email her with their ideas.

Afton informed members will no longer be performing recycling duties and a new volunteer is need. Colleen Allen was processing the night's recycling; however, a new

volunteer is needed. Leona Sunseri offered to create an information sheet for members because recycling is one-way EDHGS funds its speakers and other expenses.

Phil Hendricks was thanked and recognized for serving as the society's Treasurer from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019, a three-year period. Mary Ramirez was elected in November 2019 as the new Treasurer.

Leona Sunseri was the winner of the Book Bucket drawing. She will select a book for the library. Upon receipt, Leona will have 30 days to review before it is donated to the genealogy section of the EDH Public Library.

Afton reminded attendees the EDHGS workshop is on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, and one-on-one assistance will be provided to those requesting in advance. The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2020, and the guest speaker will be Richard Rands. He will present "Researching Irish Ancestors."

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Marcia Kestner, EDHGS Secretary

Approved at the February 11, 2020 general meeting