



AAHGS Metro Atlanta Member Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2022

General Monthly Meeting

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Monthly meeting called to order	Tammy Ozier, President	1:10
Meeting Agenda	Tammy Ozier, President	1:10 – 1:15
Presentation and Q & A	Robin Foster	1:15 – 2:35
Business Meeting	Tammy Ozier, President	2:35 – 3:00
Meeting Adjourned	Tammy Ozier, President	3:00
Number in Attendance	27	

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- Tammy Ozier opened the meeting at 1:10 pm and welcomed members and visitors.
- Tammy Ozier presented the meeting agenda and invited those in attendance to join/renew membership with AAHGS Metro Atlanta and the national body of AAHGS

MEETING PRESENTATION

- Tammy Ozier introduced our presenter for this meeting: Robin Foster. Her presentation was entitled: “My Best Genealogy Tips: Finding Formerly Enslaved Ancestors”. She focused on how she conducted her family research and provided the steps taken to find her family in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, North Carolina and South Carolina. The discussion included how to use oral history and various record types, including rare documents.

Business Meeting

- **Membership:**
 - Tammy reminded current members of the upcoming renewal period and invited guests to join
 - as of today’s meeting, we have 103 members including one business member
- **Minutes:** Minutes and financial reports have been posted to the chapter website in Members Only
- **SIG information:**
 - Caribbean Special Interest Group (Coordinator: Rhonda Barrow): Meets most 3rd Saturdays of each month at 10 AM
 - DNA Special Interest Group (Coordinator: Stephanie Powers): meets most 2nd Saturdays of each month at 10 AM
 - Georgia Special Interest Group (Co -coordinators: Dawnya Lindsey and Doris Thomas): Meets most 1st Saturdays of each month at 11:30 AM



- Louisiana Special Interest Group (Coordinator: Tammy Ozier): As Special Request, Demands
- Tennessee Special Interest Group (Coordinator: Devra HarNey): meets most 4th Thursdays at 1:00 pm via zoom.
- Military Special Interest Group (Coordinator: Johnette Brooks): Meets Most 4th Sundays of Each Month at 1:00 PM
- Sons/Daughters US Middle Passage (Coordinator: Jonnie Brown): Meets Most 3rd Thursdays of Each Month at 7:00 PM
- **The following opportunities are available to members:**
 - **Virutal Events curator:** The chapter needs someone to help with curating virtual events and sending them out weekly. Please express your interest to: aahgsatlanta@gmail.com
 - **Grant Writer:** The chapter is in need of a grant writer to help us with various grant proposals over the next couple of months. Please express your interest and request more information to: aahgsatlanta@gmail.com
 - **Research Project volunteers:** Are you interested in conducting research projects? The chapter is currently involved in The Atlanta 1906 Race Massacre project and looking for volunteers. Please express your interest to: aahgsatlanta@gmail.com

Announcements

- Tammy congratulated two of our chapter members who won awards at the AAHGS Conference:
 - Jean Sampson-Scott, Meritorious Achievement Award: Stacy Ashmore Cole
 - On-the-spot Award: Dawnya Lindsey
- Georgia Day at the Georgia Archives: The chapter has opportunities for one or two members who are interested in presenting workshops representing AAHGS Atlanta for the upcoming Georgia Day at the Georgia Archives. Please express your interest to: aahgsatlanta@gmail.com
- Are you researching ancestors in Mississippi? Apply for the MDAH Family Genealogy Fellowships beginning October 3, 2022. Go to <https://www.mdah.ms.gov/genealogyfellowships> for more information.
- November meeting: A video presentation of Tim Pinnick’s “Using Newspapers for African American Research” followed by a live Q & A session

Minutes submitted by: Tamu Taylor, Recording Secretary
October 24, 2022