

## Texas SAR Arlington Chapter B.O.M Meeting Minutes April 24, 2021

The Arlington Chapter held a Board of Managers (BOM) meeting at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins Street, Arlington, Texas, on April 24, 2021. The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. by President Robert "Bob" Pope. Seven members were present.

- I. A draft Chapter Annual Events Calendar Check List was reviewed and discussed. Compatriot John Anderson had prepared the draft and will update the Check List based on comments during the meeting.
- II. Three Forks of the Trinity C.A.R. Liaison Compatriot Will Deakyne reported that this Sunday the Chapter will perform a park clean up, but the June meeting is planned to be their "Change of Officers." Will stated that he would recognize Jeff Meller for outstanding service to the Chapter and for winning the SAR C.A.R. Essay Contest at State Level during the June meeting.
- III. ROTC/JROTC Liaison Compatriot David Friels reported that a Bronze Medal and Certificate were presented to C/ MSgt. Rodrigo Mendoza of South Grand Prairie H.S. on April 21. Two more Awards Ceremonies are scheduled for April 29 and one Ceremony is scheduled for May 29. All three units have their awards in hand and Compatriot Wehr will present the award for UTA ROTC the afternoon of April 29. We have not been notified of any other presentations.
- IV. Promoting youth activities at the schools: Compatriot Anderson noted that we had to commence getting school district approval in August, and it was concluded that September would be the optimum time to actually promote the activities with the appropriate teachers. It would be desirable to have a Compatriot identified to coordinate the efforts. For the 2021/2022 school year it was decided that we should concentrate on Hurst Schools (Hurst Euless Bedford ISD) and Arlington ISD.
- V. President Pope proposed that the Chapter focus on the following activities for the year:
  - A. Getting Student Contest information out
  - B. Pushing Arlington Chapter Merchandise to raise funds; Compatriot Hamilton will revisit obtaining current prices and a prototype(s) mug for discussion at a meeting
  - C. A social activity; possibly a joint activity with DAR
  - D. Presenting Public Service Awards (i.e., fire safety, EMS, Law Enforcement, Heroism, Life Saving) and where practical recognize non-SAR members for Outstanding Community service (e.g., Arlington Fire Department for administering COVID-19 Vaccinations)
  - E. Participating in the Arlington 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade we would need a Chairman by early January and a full Chapter commitment
  - F. Enhanced support for C.A.R. activities
  - G. A DAR/SAR joint meeting
  - H. Enhanced participation in the national Wreaths Across America program which will be on December 19, 2021
  - I. Presenting more Flag Certificates

Respectfully Submitted,

David Friels, Secretary

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