

**Minutes for Chapter Meeting**  
**January 19, 2019**  
**Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR**



9:00 a.m.

**President Gerry Gieger** called the meeting to order.

- **Chaplain Roger Tate** led the invocation.
- **Color Guard Commander Bobby Gresham** led the pledge to the flag of the United States, the pledge to the flag of the State of Texas, and the pledge to the SAR flag.
- **President Gieger** welcomed a multitude of guests and prospective members.
- **Past President Mike Connelley** introduced the Fort Worth Police Department Officer of the Year, Joel Zuniga. Mike read a short biography of Officer Zuniga. **President Gieger** presented the SAR Law Enforcement Medal and Certificate. Officer Zuniga offered his thanks. Assistant Chief Ed Crouse offered his thanks for the SAR honor and for the Van Zandt Chapter's support of the Fort Worth Police Department.
- **Secretary Turner** presented the November minutes as posted on the website and emailed to the membership. Motion to approve was made and passed.

**Secretary Turner** reported that in the first 19 days of 2019, we have 20 applications either in the approval process or being developed.

- **Treasurer Vaughn Oliver** presented the treasurer's report. Expenditures were \$320.00, and income was \$100.00. Operating fund balance is \$8,748.09; Pray TCU Award fund is \$1,379.41; and Goodman Youth Fund is \$2,103.43; balance is \$12,480.93. The financial report was accepted as presented.

The committee for the Texas SAR 2019 BOM established a sub-account with a deposit of \$250.00 which is included in the \$320.00 expense amount. An equal amount will be deposited by the Arlington Chapter. This account will be used to manage all income and expenses pertaining to the SAR 2019 BOM in October.

- **President Gieger** reported on the Armed Forces Bowl played at TCU Amon Carter Stadium. We awarded 19 Vietnam Commemorative Pin. Compatriot Ron Turner also participated. Lots of contacts were made.
- **President Gieger** announced changes to acceptance of the DAR Record Copy. After November 2019, only the Record Copy obtained online from the DAR is acceptable.
- **President Gieger** presented a thank you letter from Bear Creek Cemetery. Compatriot Mike Connelley presented a Flag Certificate this past week to the Support the Troops organization at Robson Ranch.
- **Vice President Chase Sanger** discussed plans for upcoming programs. February should be the EMT award and then in March, we will begin a series on Founding Fathers.

- **Compatriot James Alderman** discussed the Sea Cadet and ROTC/JROTC award program. The Air Force will no longer allow cadets to wear the SAR award on their uniforms. Compatriot Alderman will present the Sea Cadet Award on January 26<sup>th</sup>. **President Gieger** entertained a motion that the chapter press forward with our actions in the past. No motion was made.
- **Vice President Sanger** reminded everyone that April 5-7 is State Conference. Encouraged all to make hotel reservations. The 126<sup>th</sup> Congress is in July in Orange County, California.
- **Compatriot Connelley** distributed information on the 2019 Fall BOM. He discussed Save the date and for the sponsoring chapter, what does that entail? Additional topics included experience in putting on a meeting, profit to the chapter, and volunteer requirements. He passed around a Volunteer Sign-up sheet. What is a volunteer doing? Registration desk mainly. The big thing is the silent auction.
- **Color Guard Commander Report Gresham** reported the Color Guard has finished up the season. The CG was represented at two funerals at DFW National and Wreaths Across America in December. Captain Molly Corbin Chapter DAR has requested a CG in February. **Commander Gresham** talked about flags and being at the mercy of the Plano Chapter. **Compatriot Alderman** built six flag poles. **President Gieger** remarked that the BOM in December approved purchase of flags, both service and colonial. **Commander Gresham** thanked **Compatriot Alderman** for building the flag poles.
- **President Gieger** entertained a motion to adjourn. Made by **Compatriot Alderman**. It was approved by voice vote.
- **Commander Gresham** led the closing admonition, followed by **Chaplain Tate's** benediction.
- The meeting was concluded at 10:14 a.m.
- In attendance, per the sign-in sheet and observation, were 18 members and 21 guests for a total of 39 attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

**Ronald J. Turner**, Secretary, Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR