

# **Chapter Minutes: 16 July 2022**

#### • CALL TO ORDER

By Chapter President Bobby Gresham at 9:30 A.M. The July meeting was held at the Rock Springs Cafe in the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens.

#### • INVOCATION

By Past Chapter President Ron Turner.

#### PLEDGES

- US Flag
- Texas Flag
- S.A.R.

The pledges were led by Chapter President Bobby Gresham.

## • WELCOME GUESTS / VISITORS

The Chapter President Bobby Gresham welcomed 13 members and 3 guests. Kim Brimer is a returning chapter member so he was recognized and welcomed back.

Three prospective new members present were Bill Schwennsen, Joe Wade and Steve Wilson.

# • **PRESENTATIONS**

## INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

None.

## • **AWARDS**

Past Chapter President Ron Turner received and presented to the chapter three state awards from the Texas SAR. The Col Joe M. Hill Membership Award recognizes 100% membership renewal for 2021. The Col Joe M. Hill Patriot Fund award recognizes total contributions that exceeded the previous year for 2021. The chapter was a District 5 repeat winner for the Texas SAR Flag Presentation Award for 2021.

Ron Turner was awarded a supplemental SAR ancestor certificate.

Heroism and Lifesaving awards are planned to be presented to the Haltom City Police Department in the fall of 2022. Six officers responded to a shooting with three officers wounded.

The Arlington SAR chapter borrowed the K. M. Van Zandt trailer for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Arlington. Compatriot John Anderson thanked the chapter for use of the trailer and he has stripped and repainted the trailer. The Arlington SAR chapter president Dan Hamilton will attend a future chapter meeting to express thanks.

Compatriot James Alderman reported the chapter was more involved in supporting veterans in the past and suggested that any member involved with veterans' visits, VA hospital visits, donations, etc should be documented with points assigned for the activities. There is a USS Stark Award for chapter support of veterans. It was suggested that a veterans' chairman may need to be established to administer the veterans' activities.

Compatriot Gerry Gieger requested members look for homes, businesses and other people properly displaying the US flag in their areas. More awarded flag certificates are needed.

#### • OLD BUSINESS

#### **OFFICER REPORTS**

# Treasurer's Report (By Past Chapter President Ron Turner)

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Treasurer Report Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

	Beginning Balance (Last Meeting)		Expense		Deposit		Balance	
Operation Fund	\$	13,344.14	\$	-	\$	-	\$	13,344.14
Pray TCU Award	\$	2,819.66	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,819.66
Goodman Youth Fund	\$	1,297.95	\$		\$		\$	1,297.95

Grand Total

\$ 17,461.75

Anthony Walker Chapter Treasurer

**Registrar's Report** 

Gerry Gieger reported two supplemental applications have genealogy complete and approved. Several new membership applications are at national and state. All new member requests for information through the state and national SAR websites are sent to Compatriots Bobby Gresham and Gerry Gieger. The chapter newsletter gives status of all applications.

#### Secretary's Minutes

May 2022 meeting minutes were sent to the chapter members for review and were approved with a correction. Minutes revised and submitted. June and July meeting minutes will be discussed for approval at the August chapter meeting.

# Color Guard Commander's Report

None.

#### Chaplain's Report

None. Ralph Smith was not present.

More discussion that the chapter has a policy to offer a SAR grave marker to a deceased compatriot's family. Paul Ming passed away on June 2 and status is needed for the grave marker.

#### NEW BUSINESS

## Vice President District 5 Texas SAR Report

Past Chapter President Ron Turner, Vice President of District 5, reported that Texas SAR President Jim Kuykendall has requested the SAR chapters recruit and retain younger members. A Texas SAR goal is 400 new members in 2022. 300 new members was the goal in 2021. New member applications are taking one month at state for approval and three months at national. A new Texas SAR pin is being offered for recruitment of new members.

#### **SAR New Member Mentor Program**

Compatriot Mike Connelly reported on a SAR mentor program to request experienced members mentor two new Compatriots. Training is required with a quiz and checklist. There is an application form with a lapel pin awarded for new mentors.

#### > Storage Location for Chapter Trailer

A new storage location is needed for the chapter trailer. Discussed the need to move from Burleson to a more central location to Fort Worth.

#### > Program

Chapter members gave a roll call for everyone's Patriot ancestor.

#### • ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Chapter Meeting

The next chapter meeting will be held on August 20, 2022 at the Rock Springs Café in the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens. 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd, Fort Worth, Texas 76107.

#### > 2022 SAR National Congress

Chapter Vice President Kevin Shellman is attending the 2022 SAR National Congress in Savannah, GA.

## ADJOURNMENT

#### - Benediction

Ron Turner led the benediction. With the Benediction being concluded,

the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

#### **Final Notes**

None.