



## Chapter Minutes: 15 October 2022

- **CALL TO ORDER**

President Bobby Gresham called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. This month's meeting was held at Rock Springs Café in the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens.

- **INVOCATION**

By Chaplain Ralph Smith.

- **PLEDGES**

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

The pledges were led by Color Guard Commander Vann Cunningham.

- **WELCOME GUESTS / VISITORS**

President Gresham welcomed everyone. A special welcome was extended to Mrs. Jan Smith, Mrs. Dana Gresham, and prospective members Joe Wade, Gene Leonard, and Stephan Wilson.

- **PROGRAM**

Vice President Kevin Shellman introduced our guest speaker, Ms. Kate Katcer whose topic was on female loyalists. President Gresham presented Kate with a Certificate of Appreciation.

- **INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

No new members were inducted at this meeting

President Gresham presented a Supplemental Certificate to Color Guard Commander Cunningham based on his Patriot Ancestor Jacob Van Zandt.

Color Guard Commander Cunningham gave a short overview of his Van Zandt Patriot and then followed up with short presentations on his recent participation in the Kings Mountain Gathering and his participation in standing guard at Washington's tomb.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business

- **OFFICER REPORTS**

- **Color Guard Report**

Color Guard Commander Cunningham reminded members of upcoming Color Guard events – Massing of the Colors on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. and Fort Worth's Veterans Day Parade on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Muster is at 9:00am and parade kicks off at 10:30am from Panther Island Pavilion parking lot.

- **Secretary's Minutes**

Vice President District 5 Ron Turner presented the Meeting Minutes for October in the absence of Secretary Mark Parkison. The minutes were reviewed and approved as published.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Vice President District 5 Turner presented the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Treasurer Anthony Walker. The only expense since the last report was a \$100 donation to Fort Worth Veterans Memorial. The balance of the Operating Fund is \$13,051.54. The Pray TCU Award Fund balance is \$2,819.66 and the Goodman Youth Fund balance is \$1,297.95. The Chapter's total bank balance is \$17,169.15. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

- **Registrars Report**

Registrar Gerry Gieger and Assistant Registrar Ron Turner reported that the Chapter has 5 New Member and 9 Supplemental applications being reviewed and awaiting approval at National. There are 3 Supplemental applications with the State Registrar

and another 6 or 7 being worked on by applicants with assistance from the chapter registrars.

- **Color Guard Report**

No report.

- **Chaplain Report**

No report.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- Vice President Kevin Shellman presented a motion to review and update the Chapter Constitution and By-laws. Following some short discussion, the motion was approved.

- Registrar Gerry Gieger discussed the presentation of Flag Certificates.

- Past President Mike Connelley discussed Vietnam Era Veteran Lapel Pins and distributed his limited supply to members requesting them. More lapel pins are on order.

- **VPD5 Report**

- Vice President District 5 Turner gave a short update on his activities and attendance at various chapter meetings and other events.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Chapter Meeting**

The next chapter meeting will be held on November 19th at the Rock Springs Café in the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- **Recessional**

President Gresham led the recessional.

- **Benediction**

Chaplain Smith led the benediction. With the Benediction being concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

There were 14 members present and 5 guests.

Respectfully submitted by Ron Turner, Vice President District 5