

Minutes for Chapter Meeting Nov 18, 2023

Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR

9:30 a.m.

President Bobby Gresham called the meeting to order.

- Chaplain Ralph Smith offered the invocation.
- **President 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.
- President Gresham welcomed the members and guests.
- **President Gresham and Registrar Gerry Geiger** inducted Scott Stoddard into the chapter for his lineage to Sergeant David Stoddard.
- **President Gresham** turned the podium over to Vice President Kevin Shellman who introduced Jackson Pearson, PhD Candidate, Texas Christian University History Department. His presentation was "The Neutral Ground Agreement and the Louisiana-Texas Borderland, 1803-1821".

OLD BUSINESS

- President Gresham called for the Vice President's Report which was presented by Kevin Shellman. A possible new project is marking the 1783 cattle drive along the Opelousas Trail from Goliad, TX to New Orleans, LA.
- **President Gresham** called for the Treasurer's Report which was presented by **James Alderman.** Operation fund balance is \$13,043.54. Pray TCU Award balance is \$2,699.66. Goodman Youth Fund balance is \$1,077.95. Report was approved by the chapter. \$675 was collected from chapter members to add to the TCU scholarship funds.
- **President Gresham** called for the Secretary's Report which was presented by **Secretary Mark Parkison.** Meeting minutes for October will be corrected and submitted for approval in January.
- Registrar Gerry Gieger provided the Registrar's Report.

NEW BUSINESS

- New chapter officers will be installed in the Jan 20, 2024, chapter meeting.
- President Gresham asked for a motion to adjourn which was made and approved.

- President Gresham led the closing.
- Chaplain Ralph Smith offered the benediction.
- The meeting was concluded at 10:30 a.m.
- In attendance, per the sign-in sheet and observation, were 16 members and 5 guests for a total of 21 attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Parkison, Chapter Secretary.