Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10:30 AM Zoom Meeting by Meg Anderson

President Margaret Anderson called the meeting to order at 10:31 AM and asked members to join her for the opening prayer.

Eileen Walcik led the pledge to the American Flag.

Mindy Lovell led the pledge to the Texas Flag.

Meg Anderson led the Ladies Auxiliary Pledge.

President Margaret Anderson introduced TXSSAR President Drake Peddie and invited him to address the group. President Peddie thanked the Ladies Auxiliary for inviting him to their meeting and expressed his pleasure at seeing the members. He announced the 126th Annual SAR Texas State Convention will be by Zoom on April 16-17, 2021. He encouraged Ladies Auxiliary members to watch with their husbands, and particularly the Youth Awards on Friday night and the Ladies Auxiliary report on Saturday morning. He encouraged the Ladies Auxiliary to promote membership, commented that the most successful TXSSAR chapters have active participation by the ladies, and stated that he discussed with Webmaster Ray Cox posting the membership form on the website. Mindy Lovell and Meg Anderson shared information about new membership efforts and particularly the brochure that will be sent out to all chapters and posted on the website.

President Margaret Anderson welcomed Past First Lady Wanda White and Past First Ladies of TXSSAR Barbara Stevens, Mary Clare Beard and Jane Cohen to the meeting. President Margaret Anderson welcomed 17 members and one guest to the meeting. She announced that a quorum was present as provided in the bylaws.

Recording Secretary Mindy Lovell advised the minutes from Fall 2020 BOM Meeting were on the website. Meg Anderson made a motion to accept minutes as read on the website; Dianne Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer/Registrar Meg Anderson reported that receipts were \$290 and expenses were \$245. The operating account balance is \$3,032 plus lifetime dues of \$2,970, for a total of \$6,002. She reported that there are 54 lifetime members, including 2 deceased members, and 2 members who have paid annual dues. She will be sending out dues notices.

President Margaret Anderson called for Nominating Committee recommendations. Barbara Stevens reported the slate of officers as follows: Elected positions--President Meg Anderson; Vice-President Mindy Lovell; Treasurer/Registrar Barbara Stevens; Recording Secretary Sharon Mize. Appointed positions--Chaplain Catherine Massey; Parliamentarian Margaret Anderson. There were no nominations from the floor, and nominations were closed. After discussion, a vote was called, Sue Lenes seconded the motion that the four elected positions be elected by acclimation, and the motion passed unanimously.

Margaret Anderson handed the gavel to Meg Anderson.

President Meg Anderson presented an engraved gavel as a gift to Past President Margaret Anderson, thanking her for her outstanding service to the Ladies Auxiliary. She also thanked all the officers for their service to benefit the Auxiliary.

President Meg Anderson asked Treasurer/Registrar Barbara Stevens to present the proposed 2021-2022 budget and to report on the membership drive.

Treasurer/Registrar Barbara Stevens presented the proposed 2021-2022 budget, which is attached to these minutes. She explained the minor changes from the 2020-2021 budget and the informational section about the fundraiser. With respect to the membership drive, a flyer about the Ladies Auxiliary was prepared and posted to the TXSSAR website. It will also be distributed to TXSSAR chapter presidents for distribution.

Margaret Anderson led a discussion about the procedure to transfer a lifetime member's residual dues to the general fund. General discussion ensued.

Margaret Anderson led a discussion about the fundraiser and reported the two patriotic art glass pieces crafted by Leslie Anderson were ready. A flyer will be posted on the TXSSAR website and sent to all chapters. In addition, the Ladies Auxiliary may request that the fundraiser be included in the registration for the TXSSAR's next in-person meetings. TXSSAR President Peddie advised that the next scheduled in-person meetings are in October in Clear Lake City and the state meeting the last week of March 2022 in Richardson.

President Meg Anderson reported on social media. The web page for the Ladies Auxiliary is under TXSSAR About. Minutes and treasurer reports are posted to the website plus names and contact information of officers. The Facebook page is private; members are asked to let President Meg Anderson know if they need an invitation.

Announcements: The August meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held by Zoom and will include a program. The October meeting will be in Clear Lake City. TXSSAR President Peddie reported that Bernardo de Galvez will be the host chapter and John Hamlin is the committee chairman, who is trying to arrange group tours of NASA.

President Anderson led the group in the Ladies Auxiliary Recessional.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Mize, Recording Secretary