



**Edmund Terrill Chapter No. 34
Sherman
Texas Society
Sons of The American Revolution**



Meeting Minutes

Introduction

The January 19th, 2022 meeting of Edmund Terrill Chapter No. 34 was held in the meeting room at the First United Bank in Sherman, Texas.

President Ted Wilson called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

President Wilson welcomed everyone to the meeting along with those who were attending via Zoom.

A prayer was offered by Chaplain Don Babbs followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Honor to the Texas Flag. The pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution was recited.

In attendance were:

Members present: Edmund Terrill Chapter Members present. Ted Wilson - President, Gary Barker – Vice President, T.L. Holden – Registrar, Wade Graves - Treasurer, Ray Hargis – Secretary, Don Babbs – Chaplain, , John Greer, John Hunt, Sr., Paul Mattoon III., Jerry Vaughn, Michael Ardis, Steven Scheinost, and John Hunt, Jr. Members present via Zoom: Bill Hurst – Historian, Barry O’Neil, Michael Vaughn, and Tom Milton

Visiting Guests. Texas SAR President Drake Peddie, DAR Sheryl Vaughn. Other guests attending included Kathy Barker, Casila Canion, Christopher Nash, Heather Gendrin, and Mark and Jan Brazelton.

New Member

Mark Harris was inducted into the Chapter and presented a Membership Certificate, and SAR lapel pin was pinned by Texas SAR President Drake Peddie.

Awards and Recognitions

The following medals with certificates were introduced by John Hunt, Sr. and present by Texas SAR President Drake Peddie to:

Dr. Antonio Lopez - Bronze Good Citizenship Medal

Mark Brazelton - Law Enforcement Commendation Medal

Christopher Nash - Life Saving Medal

Chapter President Ted Wilson awarded Certificates of Appreciation to: TL Holden, Wade Graves, John Greer, Ray Hargis, and John Hunt, Sr.

Officers Installed

The following officers for 2022-2023 were installed by Texas SAR President Drake Peddie: Gary Barker, President; Ray Hargis; 1st VP; John Hurst, 2nd VP; Paul Mattoon, Secretary; Wade Graves, Treasurer; TL Holden, Registrar; Paul Mattoon, Asst Registrar; Don Babbs, Chaplain; Ted Wilson, Newsletter Editor; Michael Ardis, Historian; Chad Smith, Webmaster.

Texas SAR Update

Texas SAR President, Drake Peddie, provided a comprehensive update on the state of the Texas SAR of the 3400 members and 48 chapters. He's now at the end of his 2nd term and admitted that awards have been difficult to present with COVID, but there has been no pause in the activities of the SAR with 40 or more Zoom meetings conducted, and his officers have gotten a lot done, e.g., updating the Chapter President's Manual; Color Guard files, forms, and medals updated and online; field judges now ensuring Patriot Medals are equitably awarded/distributed; and documentation on the Texas SAR website updated; and, Frequently Asked Questions overhauled. President Drake has been working with his replacement, Jim Kirkendall, through the eventual transition.

New President Update

Chapter President Gary Barker indicated that Zoom Meetings has given a boost by connecting with other Chapters, especially on the east coast. He said his initial interest in the SAR was driven from his interest in genealogy.

Old Business

Wreaths Across American

Four members of the Color Guard from the Chapter (TL Holden, Ted Wilson, Gary Barker, and Paul Mattoon) attended the laying of Wreaths Across America on December 18th.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was presented by Treasurer Wade Graves. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. Motion passed by all present.

Chapter Minutes of Last SAR Meeting

A motion was made by Ray Hargis, seconded to approve the September 15th, 2021 minutes as posted on the Edmund Terrill web site. Motion passed.

New Business

Wounded Warrior Coin

TL Holden gave an update on the status of the new coin, namely, that there was a question on the design of the coin and that it's going back to redesign; accordingly, it's doubtful that these coins would be available until the 2nd half of the year.

Certificate of Appreciation

Chapter President Gary Barker presented Ted Wilson a Certificate of Appreciation for the SAR Chapter Newsletter.

Points to the Chapter

John Greer emphasized that members can earn points though participating in various veteran's visitations and funerals, and during holidays (Flag Day and the 4th of July), and to get with TL Holden or John Greer if you are in attendance.

Patriot Grave Markings

Past President Ted Wilson will chair a committee to work getting markers for a grave in Bonham and two in Paris. Ray Hargis volunteered to assist.

Upcoming Events

Save this date

- Mar 31 – Apr 2 Texas SAR Annual Conference - Richardson

The Benediction was offered by Chaplain Don Babbs and the Recessional recited.

The meeting was closed at 1:00 PM.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16th, 2022 starting at 12:00 Noon at the First United Bank. 400 Travis St Sherman, Texas.

Visit the Edmund Terrill web site at <https://www.txssar.org/EdmundTerrill/> for information.

Paul Mattoon
Chapter Secretary