



# Minutes of the Meeting 14 Dec 2017 William Hightower Sons of the American Revolution

President Stuart Hoyt called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed the guests that we had for the evening.

**Invocation** was provided by Compatriot Don Chandler.

Pledges to the U.S., Texas, and SAR flags were given.

President Hoyt open with a short review of the how taxation failures to pay for the French Indians War led to further taxations from the British that eventually led to the start of the Revolutionary War.

# **Old Business**:

*Secretary Minutes*: The minutes from the 9 Nov. 17 meeting were reviewed. There were no changes, deletions, or additions. Chapter members approved by acclamation.

## **Reports:**

Treasurer Report:

Operating Account has \$4,435.65

Scholarship account has \$1,433.82.

Motion to accept the report was made by Compatriot Browne Seconded by Compatriot Colantoni. Reported accepted by a vote of "ayes."

*Registrar Report*: 3 applications are at Louisville and 4 supplements at State level.

*Historian Report*: No historian report.

*ROTC Report*: Chapter performed a flag ceremony with the Smithson Valley High School Navy Jr ROTC unit. This unit was recently named the best in the U.S.

*Essay/Oration Report*: Jan essay month. High County Christian School has some entries.

Boy Scout Report: None

## **Presentations:**

Public Service Awards

Heroism Medal, -Deputy James Jenkins, Comal County Sheriff Department

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal -Carl "Sandy" Clauss

Military Wards -Military Service Medal and War Service Medal -Thomas Browne

> Vietnam Era Pin -Thomas Browne -Carl "Sandy" Clauss

### Inductions: None

### **New Business:**

Pres. Hoyt has acquired some ball-point pens with the Chapter name and address information on them. He would like members to give the pens out as business cards. Chapter members may purchase a pen for \$2.00. Pres. Hoyt reminded the Chapter members about an unfilled promise to the Captain James Jack Chapter (DAR) to support the Peter Akers Chapter (CAR). Pres. Hoyt asked that the Chapter provide \$25.00 a quarter to support the Peter Akers Chapter. Compatriot Browne made the motion and it was seconded by Vice President Polk. The motion passed with all "ayes."

Pres. Hoyt also covered:

- 1. Executive board meeting selected committee members for the 2018 Chapter Executive Board member nominations.
- 2. If any Chapter members are planning on working with youth, please take the Voluntary Youth Protection Training on the Boys Scouts website.
- 3. The Chapter's latest newsletter was out.
- 4. Veterans would have not received their SAR Service Medal to give a copy of their DD Form 214 to Secretary Blauvelt.
- 5. If you visit a Veteran, please provide that information so the chapter can apply for the John Stark award.
- 6. The Chapter is still looking for a representative for the SAR History Teacher award.
- 7. Flag Recognition program, tell Pres. Hoyt if you know of worthy recipients.
- 8. Proclamation in Feb 2018 for George Washington and raise support for a State of Texas holiday recognizing George Washington's birthday.
- 9. The Chapter will be the host for the 2018 Fall BOM. Need to start setting up a team to organize and coordinate the event.
- 10. The Chapter needs to recruit at least six members per year to keep Chapter alive.
- 11. Pres Hoyt has a size 42/44 period uniform for sale.
- 12. Pres Hoyt stated that Carl "Sandy" Clauss will be our guest speaker at the Fall BOM's Youth Banquet.

**Guest Speaker**: Carl "Sandy" Clauss, gave a very interesting presentation on "Christmas in the Colonies."

**Next Meeting** is scheduled for the evening of 11 Jan 2018 at the same venue.

Benediction was given by Don Chandler.

Recessional was led by President Stuart Hoyt

Adjournment was at 8:00 PM Members Present, 13 (2 in Uniform) Guests Present, 15 Total Attendance, 28