

Minutes for Chapter Meeting
June 15, 2019
Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR



8:30 a.m.

- **Chaplain Roger Tate** led the invocation.
- **Color Guard Commander Bobby 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 flag.
- The Chapter enjoyed a plated breakfast.

President Gerry Gieger called the business meeting to order at 8:57 a.m.

- **President Gieger** welcomed prospective members, Steve Barnes and Larry Bannister. Each gave a brief overview of themselves and their ancestors.
- **President Gieger** introduced **Compatriot Ralph Smith** who gave a rousing and inspiring program on George Washington. **Compatriot Smith** used *The Making of George Washington* by William H. Wilber, and *America's God and Country* by William J. Federer as his two sources. He highly recommends both books for reading.
- **Secretary Turner** presented the May minutes as posted on the website and emailed to the membership. Motion to approve was made by **Compatriot Ken Cox** and seconded by **Compatriot Scott Manning**. Motion passed.
- **Color Guard Commander Gresham** made a motion to not participate in the White Lake Hills 4th of July Parade for this year due to the death of Compatriot Goodman and that we have not had any contact from the White Lake Hills Association. Motion was seconded by **Compatriot Cox**. Motion passed. A discussion on upcoming Color Guard activities occurred, i.e. Audie Murphy Parade (Saturday, June 22) and North Texas SAR Color Guard trailer use.
- **Secretary Turner** presented the treasurer's report due to **Treasurer Vaughn Oliver's** absence. Expenditures were \$299.00, and income was \$1671.50. Operating fund balance is \$9,129.07; Pray TCU Award fund is \$1,129.58; and Goodman Youth Fund is \$1,676.69; BOM account is \$490.53; total balance is \$12,425.87. The report was accepted as presented.
- **Compatriot Connelley** provided an update on member's who distributed Vietnam Commemorative lapel pins.
- **Compatriot Mike Connelley** provided an update on the upcoming BOM. Tickets for the raffle are available from Compatriots John Anderson, Ron Turner, and Mike Connelley. Raffle prizes are two tickets to the Redskins/Cowboys game on Sunday, December 29th at AT&T Stadium (seating is in the Arlington Convention & Visitor's Bureau Suite), a 55" TCL flat screen LED TV, and a Cabela's Polar Cap® Equalizer Cooler (40-quarts).
- **Compatriot Connelley** reminded everyone about the new member orientation following this meeting in the country club's grill.

- **Compatriot Cox** discussed the wounded warrior program. **Compatriot Cox** also updated everyone on the Veteran's Day Parade. He is now the parade chairman. **Compatriot Cox** provided an overview of the Tarrant County Veteran's Council. **Compatriot Cox** moved that the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter become a member organization of the Tarrant County Veteran's Council. **Compatriot Manning** seconded. Motion approved.
- **Compatriot John Anderson** requested that everyone send their wife's email address to him at janders981@sbcglobal.net. **Compatriot Anderson's** wife Meg, a member of the Texas SAR Ladies Auxilliary, needs the addresses to coordinate the ladies support at the Fall BOM in October.
- The next chapter meeting is Saturday, July 20th.
- **Secretary Turner** provided an overview of upcoming programs for the remainder of 2019.
- **Secretary Turner** requested everyone assist in identifying a person or persons who might qualify for the Heroism Award.
- All members are encouraged to participate in July 4th celebrations.
- **President Gieger** entertained a motion to adjourn. **Compatriot Cox** made the motion to adjourn. It was approved by voice vote.
- **Commander Gresham** led the closing admonition, followed by **Chaplain Tate's** benediction.
- The meeting was concluded at 10:20 a.m.
- In attendance, per the sign-in sheet and observation, were 16 members and 2 guests for a total of 18 attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Turner, Secretary, Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR