



Chapter Minutes: 20 March 2021

- **CALL TO ORDER**

By Chapter President Ron Turner at 9:00 A.M. Meeting was held via ZOOM.

- **INVOCATION**

By Chapter President Ron Turner

- **PLEDGES**

- **US Flag**
- **Texas Flag**
- **S.A.R.**

The pledges were led by Color Guard Commander Bobby Gresham.

- **WELCOME GUESTS / VISITORS**

Chapter President Ron Turner welcomed everyone. There were (2) new individuals: Matt and Bill were present.

- **PRESENTATIONS**

- **New Member Induction**

The Chapter President introduced our newest prospective member, Tanner Smith. There were no inductions at this meeting.

- **Awards**

- **Life Saving Award**

Chapter President, Ron Turner told us about his difficulty in contacting the Fort Worth Fire Department to schedule a presentation ceremony. Three Mineral Wells Firefighters, Captain Sam Streun,

Firefighter Griffin Walker, and Firefighter Dan Riedinger, who also earned awards, will have their ceremony as soon as it can be arranged.

- **SPEAKER**

This month, Chapter Treasurer Vaughn Oliver gave us a remarkably interesting presentation on the Battle at the Alamo. He explained some of the myths and gave us all new insights into the battle for Texas independence.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Officers Reports**

- **Secretary's Minutes**

February's Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Moved/Second/Passed

- **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report informed us of the following: Operating Funds – Beginning Balance of \$10,217.32 / Expenses of \$1,000.00 / No Deposits / leaving us a Balance of \$9,217.32.

Pray TCU Awards Fund – Beginning Balance of \$1,964.27 / No Expenses / Interest of \$0.03 / Donation of \$500.00 / leaving us a Balance of \$2,464.30. Goodman Youth Fund – Beginning Balance of \$2,712.61 / No Expenses / Interest of \$0.04 / leaving us with \$2,712.65 / Giving the Chapter a Grand Total of \$14,894.27. Moved/Seconded/Passed

- **Registrar's Report**

Gerry Gieger and Ron Turner updated us on the status of the seven applications and Supplemental for the S.A.R.

- **Color Guard Report**

Color Guard Commander Bobby Gresham let us know about the State Conference as it pertains to the Color Guard that is coming up. The conference will be held via ZOOM this year. Also, he

told us about the state-wide Color Guard event coming up on April 10th at Wimberly.

➤ **ROTC / JROTC / Sea Cadet Report**

James Alderman informed us of the problems that he has been having with getting a response from the various organizations. The Fort Worth ISD has their event scheduled for May and Bobby Grisham is going to do the presentation of the medals. Several organizations were requesting that we give them blank certificates, James Alderman informed them that is not our policy and that we need the names, so that we can fully fill out the certificates. The T.C.U. ROTC (Army and Air Force) are going along as scheduled. The cadets' names have been submitted and the certificates have been printed. Mr. Alderman will deliver them shortly. The Medal of Honor Parade has been rescheduled for September 25, 2021 in Gainesville, Texas.

➤ **Veterans Day Parade**

It was reported that the date for the Veterans Day Parade has been set for 11 November and there will be a in-person parade.

• **NEW BUSINESS**

➤ **State Convention**

Chapter President Ron Turner briefed us that this year's state convention will be held the week of April 17, 2021. This event will be held via ZOOM.

➤ **Meeting Location**

Chapter President Ron Turner started the discussion about finding a new location for our meetings due to the storm damage to our current facilities. He was reminded that because of the State Convention, our next meeting would have to be rescheduled

for 24 April. A Chapter B.O.M. meeting was called for to determine possible new locations.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Upcoming Awards**

There are three award presentations coming on 8 April with MedStar. The first two will be for paramedics Cody Riley and James Ward. Ron Turner read about the heroic efforts of these two paramedics at a massive vehicle crash on Interstate Highway 35 as a result of the recent storms. These two individuals will receive the EMS Commendation Medal. The other individual, Trey McDaniel, will be awarded the S.A.R. Heroism Medal for his efforts, while injured himself, to help save lives in that same accident scene.

- **Upcoming Texas Color Guard Meeting**

There will be a Texas Color Guard Meeting on 30 March via ZOOM at 7:00 P.M.

- **Texas State Color Guard Event**

Bobby Grisham and Ron Turner both let us know of this call to arms at the veteran's memorial in Wimberly Texas on April 10th.

- **Chapter Meeting**

The next chapter meeting will be held on April 24th due to the State Conference being held on April 17th.

- **Grave Marker Restoration**

James Alderman told us about the restoration of the grave marker of Sarah Henderson. She is a "true daughter of the American Revolution"; her father fought in the revolution; and she is buried at Oakwood cemetery. We could tell that James Alderman and Bobby Grisham had put a lot of effort into rebuilding and cleaning the original tombstone.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- **Recessional**

- Bobby Gresham led the recessional

- **Benediction**

- Past President Gerry Gieger led the benediction. With the Benediction being concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 A.M..

- **FINAL NOTES**

- A total of 16 individuals attended our meeting, of which 14 were chapter members and 2 were guests.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Shellman

Chapter Secretary

