



**Minutes for Chapter Meeting**  
**September 16, 2023**  
**Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter #6, Texas SAR**

9:30 a.m.

**President Bobby Gresham** called the meeting to order.

- **Chaplain Ralph Smith** offered the invocation.
- **President 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.
- **Past President Ron Turner** welcomed the members and guests which included prospective members Chuck Andrews, Scott Stoddard, Greg Riffle, Jeff Andrew. Special guests were Mike Fairchild of the Arlington SAR chapter and Gary Barker, president of the Edmund Terrill #34 SAR chapter in Sherman, TX and State treasurer.
- **President Gresham** turned the podium over to **Vice President** Kevin Shellman who introduced Compatriot Gary Barker who spoke about his experiences in SAR beginning with his ancestors in the American Revolutionary War. Louis Bailey was a 19 year old milliner or hat maker when he enlisted in the Bailey Regiment. Six Baileys are buried in Indiana and their graves were marked by the DAR in the 1950s.
- **OLD BUSINESS**
- **President Gresham** called for the Vice President's Report which was presented by **Kevin Shellman**. October 21 chapter meeting program will be Treaty of Seville. January speaker will be from TCU.
- **President Gresham** called for the Treasurer's Report which was presented by **Treasurer Anthony Walker**. Operation fund balance is \$13,098.36. Pray TCU Award balance is \$2,649.66. Goodman Youth Fund balance is \$1,027.95. Report was approved by the chapter.
- **President Gresham** called for the Secretary's Report which was presented by **Secretary Mark Parkison**. Meeting minutes for August were approved by the chapter.
- **President Gresham** called for the Chaplain's Report which was presented by **Chaplain Ralph Smith**. Prayers were offered for Sherrye Woodworth and Ken Cox.
- **Registrar Gerry Gieger** and **Assistant Registrar Ron Turner** provided the Registrar's Report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**None**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- State conference will be in San Antonio on April 6-7, 2024.
- National conference will be in July 2024.
- **President Gresham** asked for a motion to adjourn which was made and approved.
- **Past President Turner** led the closing.
- **Chaplain Ralph Smith** offered the benediction.
- The meeting was concluded at 10:30 a.m.
- In attendance, per the sign-in sheet and observation, were 18 members and 5 guests for a total of 23 attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mark Parkison**, Chapter Secretary.