



San Diego Chapter SAR Board of Directors Minutes  
03/15/2018  
The Broken Yolk Cafe  
11630 Carmel Mountain Rd, San Diego, CA

**ATTENDEES**

Barry Key	President *
Bill Peters	1st Vice President*
Dean Rogers	Treasurer*
Ray Raser	Registrar*
Ed Torrence	Sergeant-at-Arms*
Bob Hayden	Secretary*
Skip Cox	Color Guard Commander

**POSITION**

**Absent**

Bill Weedman	VP for Membership*
Stan De Long	Chaplain*
George Brewster, Jr.	Chancellor
Del Ritchart	Genealogist
Richard Leslie	Webmaster
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	(Vacant)

(\* Elected and Voting Board Members)

President Barry Key called the monthly BOD's meeting to order at 11:00 am. Bob Hayden motioned to accept the minutes for the February 2018 BOD's meeting, Ed Torrence seconded. No discussion was requested by Board members and the motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

Last week Skip Cox raised some questions about how complete the Chapter's insurance coverage is, especially as it relates to "Black Powder Insurance." SAR Member and attorney at law George Brewster opined that the policy was good but perhaps had a too low amount of liability coverage. Furthermore, he opined the Chapter is covered for firing black powder muskets at events.

No action on acquiring a storage facility for the Chapter taken yet.

**REPORTS:**



### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (Bill Peters)**

No discussion.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Vacant)**

### **Secretary (Bob Hayden)**

Handed off three new member paperwork packets to President Key; John Drdek, Peter Fagen and Louis Nielsen. Asked Board members for any changes to the Chapter calendar they might like to see. None was given. Reminded members that we currently have five members who are in some phase of a Reinstatement process. Discussed requirements of submitting Life Membership applications to NSSAR.

### **Treasurer (Dean Rogers)**

Dean submitted the Treasurer's Reports for January and February 2018 by email. Led a discussion about how to handle charges for new applications.

### **Membership Vice President (Bill Weedman)**

Absent

### **Chaplain (Stan De Long)**

Absent

### **Registrar (Ray Raser)**

Ray reminded the Board that all new application submittals by prospective new member must be digital and paper is no longer accepted by the NSSAR. It currently takes seven weeks to review a new member application and 18 weeks for a supplemental application. The Chapter will charge a new applicant a \$35.00 handling fee in addition to a \$25.00 data processing fee for the State Registrar who has contracted with a Mr. Owen Stiles to process the data.

### **Del Ritchhart (Genealogist)**

Absent

### **Color Guard Commander (Skip Cox)**

Skip talked about his trip to Louisville Kentucky to attend the NSSAR 2018 Spring Leadership Meeting. He mentioned the discussion by the conference of the problem of middle school curriculum in terms of educating students about the American Revolutionary War and the founding documents that were instrumental in fueling the war and laying the foundations of the country and what the SAR can do in conjunction with educators to make this material a



more relevant part of their education in the middle school years. Also, the Leadership conference voted to support the Princeton (Maxwell) Revolutionary War purchase pursued by various patriotic organizations amongst them “The Civil War Trust” through its campaign 1776 initiative that SAR members are most familiar with in the San Diego Chapter.

Skip suggested that the Chapter charge any organizational request for an SAR Color Guard performance at non-Revolutionary War events a \$50.00 stipend per event. The Board concurred though no motion was asked for. It was decided to institute the new policy in 2019.

### **President (Barry Key)**

President Key will be attending the 143<sup>rd</sup> CASSAR Spring Meeting of the Membership in Concord this coming April 19<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup>. Ray Raser will attend also. A discussion of the Best Large Chapter Award by the Board determined that there is a high probability that the Orange County Chapter will receive the award this year.

### **Webmaster (Richard Leslie)**

Dick submitted Webmaster report by email.

### **Sergeant-at-Arms (Ed Torrence)**

Ed requested that the Breakfast membership attendance list be sent to him and President Key prior to the Saturday (3/15/18) Breakfast meeting. Some discussion about how long to play the music for the Color Guard presentation. Ed has a list of participating colleges and high school ROTC and JROTC programs eligible for an SAR award; 10 for JROTC and two for college ROTC. Members will be requested to present these certificates to selected individuals at various schools. Board members with Ed reviewed the Officers and Committees assignments. The general membership will vote for a winner of the brochure contest at the Saturday meeting.

### **Chaplain (Stan De Long)**

Absent

### **New Business**

Fred Hall will pick up the poster next week for the middle school poster contest. It is still up in the air where we will be able assemble to judge the posters. Ray Raser volunteered to transport the winning posters to Concord for final judging at the 143<sup>rd</sup> CASSAR Spring Meeting of the Membership.

President Key sounded out Board members about hosting an entertainment event, in San Diego, for SAR members and guest participating in the National Meeting to be held in Costa Mesa next year. Perhaps a tour of the Midway or some other venue. Questions were raised about the logistics of hosting



such an event, i.e., the amount of time allocated for the event. The transportation of members to San Diego and back to Costa Mesa. Some Board members suggested the visitors could take the Coaster or we could hire a bus to bring them to San Diego and back. More consideration and discussion needed.

President Key received a message from Philip Hinshaw discussing the possibility of the San Diego Chapter involvement in researching and marking the burial sites of Spanish Soldados, stationed in the San Diego region from 1780 to 81 who donated money to the American Revolutionary War effort during this time. It is a matter of historical record that many of them did donate. Ideally, the Chapter needs someone to volunteer to head up this effort who has some expertise in this type of historical research. Philip has said he would help but it would have to be primarily a Chapter driven project.

Color Guard Commander Skip Cox relayed a message that the Immaculate Conception Church (Mission) in San Diego's Old Town at 2540 San Diego Ave is requesting that the SAR and DAR contribute money to clean up the plaques that these two organizations jointly sponsored and attached to the Mission. We will need to find out how much the Mission needs to accomplish this task.

Next Chapter Breakfast meeting will be held at the Bernardo Heights County Club May 19<sup>th</sup>. President Key would like to look into holding the next Board meeting in May there also.

### **Adjournment**

Ed Torrence moved to adjourn the meeting and Bob Hayden 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote to adjourn. President Key adjourned the meeting at 12:45pm

Bob Hayden  
Secretary San Diego SAR