

San Diego Chapter SAR Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

04/16/2020

Teleconference Hosted by Barry Key,

Communications Director

Vista, CA

ATTENDEES

POSITION

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| Bill Peters | President* |
| Bill Weedman | VP for Membership* |
| Fred Hall | Treasurer* |
| Duncan Campbell | Color Guard Commander* |
| Barry Key | Communications Director |
| Bob Hayden | Secretary* |

Absent

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| Edward Torrence | 1 st Vice President* |
| Michael Hirman | 2nd Vice President* |
| Ray Raser | Registrar* |
| Stan De Long | Chaplain* |
| George Brewster, Jr. | Chancellor |
| (Vacant) | Sergeant-at-Arms* |

(* Elected and Voting Board Members)

President Peters called the meeting to order at 11:54. There was some delay in starting due to a couple of members signing in a few minutes late.

President Peters asked for a motion to accept the minutes for the March 20th Board of Director's meeting.

Bill Weedman motioned to accept, and Duncan Campbell seconded. President Peters called for discussion, but none was offered. Subsequently, President Peters called for a vote and the motion to accept was unanimous.

Officer Reports:

1st Vice President (Ed Torrence)

Absent

2nd Vice President (Michael Hirman)

Absent

Secretary (Bob Hayden)

We currently have 166 Regular members up one from last month. The new member is Brian Cushman whose application was accepted by the NSSAR on 4/6/2020. Dennis Cushman is Brian's father and Past President of the San Diego Chapter. At this time, members are still not able to meet in person due to the coronavirus – 19 so I will keep possession of Brian's approved paperwork until directed otherwise by either Brian or President Peters.

Treasurer (Fred Hall)

Sent out the March treasurer's report to Board members by email and mailed a signed copy to the secretary:

Highlights of report:

Started month with \$23,561.20

Ended month with \$23673.16

A net gain of \$111.96

Fred reported that March was a slow month for the treasurer and not many checks were written.

Vice President Membership (Bill Weedman)

Nothing to report for March.

Chaplain (Stan Delong)

Absent

Registrar (Ray Raser)

Absent

Genealogist (Duncan Campbell)

No news on genealogy

Color Guard Commander (Duncan Campbell)

No Color Guard activity to report for March. Duncan has made inquiries about the upcoming 4th of July parade but has not heard anything back as of today. The La Mesa parade is still tentatively scheduled to proceed.

Sargent at Arms (Vacant)

President Peters ask for suggestions to fill the current vacant Sargeant At Arms position. None offered.

Communications Director (Barry Key)

Website is up to date.

Barry discussed the status of the Poster Contest and related that a Poster winner from the San Diego Chapter has been chosen and that individual's poster is currently posted on the CASSAR Website. In addition, there is a 2nd and 3rd place winner, that will not be moving on to the CASSAR level but will receive a cash prize from the Chapter. Fred Hall the Chapter treasurer will make out checks for the three winners. It is still somewhat up in the air as to how the checks will be presented since the remaining school spring semester has been cancelled. Barry suggested that we hold off on making the awards until it has been determined who won at the state level, (CASSAR). There was only 14 members from the Chapter who signed up to do the Poster Contest judging.

Only two contest posters statewide have been submitted to the CASSAR Website for voting on. The wining poster will go onto the National level for judging.

Barry received an email from Philip Hinshaw explaining he had in his possession patriotically themed color books that he believed could be used as consolation prizes for students who did not place high enough to win cash in any Chapter contest. He showed a sample of the coloring book. Philip asked Barry if the chapter would be willing to buy a few in conjunction with the House of Spain. The Board members were amenable to purchasing 12 books at \$5.00 apiece.

Barry will write up a proposal for buying the coloring books.

The following motion was proposed by Duncan Campbell:

“The Chapter will purchase 12 patriotically themed coloring books to be distributed to children participating in SAR sponsored contest”.

Bill Weedman seconded the motion.

President Peters called for discussion and none was offered. President Peters called for a vote by the Board. The vote was unanimously aye.

President (Bill Peters)

The Chapter has received the permit to participate in the 4th of July Parade in Coronado along with the Mayflower Society. The Mayflower Society and the SAR Color guard and participating members will be in line with one another in the parade but which one will be ahead of the other will be up to the parade officials, though Mayflower would like to be first.

(NOTE: The Coronado parade was canceled on April 22, 2020. President Peters sent an email to the Board notifying them of the cancellation.)

The Chapter treasurer, Fred Hall, stated that he has arranged through the Mustang Club to provide four convertible vehicles for the SAR and that he has 30”X 18” magnetic door signs for the cars including the George Washington signs plus an eight foot long and three foot high George Washington banner in his possession.

Barry Key posed a question about how many convertibles the Chapter could request. Fred explained If more convertibles were requested that request would need to go through a process that takes awhile to complete so there cannot be any last-minute request for extra cars. For one thing, licenses need to be recorded and checked and insurance issues resolved.

Bill Peters brought up the question of establishing a bylaws committee to review any changes that the committee might believe needs changing or editing in the Chapter bylaws. Bill suggested that himself, George Brewster, Michael Hirman and Bob Hayden should make up the committee. Some items suggested for consideration were voting by email and electronic meetings. Also, Bill said that the bylaws require “Standing Committees” that he would like to investigate in the future once members can meet physically again.

Bill Weedman interjected that the CASSAR justifies using teleconference because the bylaws do not specifically preclude them from doing so.

There was a discussion of how many members from the Chapter would be attending the upcoming 145th Annual Meeting of the Membership this Saturday, 4/18/20. Bill Peters thought that perhaps five individuals would attend via teleconference from the Chapter: Ed Torrence, Michael Hirman, Barry Key, President Peters and possibly Robert Smith.

Calendar was briefly discussed. Calendar is up to date as of today, but it was suggested that a disclaimer be put on the Calendar site to call attention to the tentative nature of some of the dates due to the Coronavirus – 19 pandemic. Barry will take care of the notice.

Fred Hall suggested that the Chapter could possibly make up missed meetings in June and July if business has opened by then. Bill Peters agreed that was a good idea.

Next Board teleconference meeting will take place on Thursday, 5/21/2020

President Peters called for a motion to close meeting.

Bob Hayden motioned that the meeting be adjourned.

Duncan Campbell seconded the motion.

Board vote was unanimous aye.

Meeting closed at 12:28pm.

Patriotically,

Bob Hayden

Secretary San Diego Chapter SAR