



# San Diego Chapter SAR Board of Directors Minutes 8/17/2017

# The Broken Yolk Cafe 11630 Carmel Mountain Rd San Diego, CA

ATTENDEES POSITION
Fred Hall President \*

Barry Key 1st Vice President\*

Dick Leslie Treasurer\*

Bill Weedman VP for Membership\*

Ray Raser Registrar\*
Robert Hayden Secretary\*

Ed Torrence Sergeant-at-Arms\*

Ernie McCullough Color Guard Commander

Skip Cox Member

# **Absent**

Stan De Long Chaplain\*
George Brewster, Jr. Chancellor

(\* Elected and Voting Board Members)

President Fred Hall called the monthly BOD's meeting to order at 11:00 am. Dick Leslie motioned to accept the minutes for the May 2017 BOD's meeting, Ed Torrence seconded. No discussion was requested by the Board members and the motion carried unanimously by the Board.

# President's Report (Fred Hall)

Discussed the Color Guard presentation for the upcoming August 19th Membership Meeting. Dick Leslie gave Ed Torrance the Chapter's Bluetooth speaker box that plays music and can be controlled via any smartphone with Bluetooth. Martial music will be played during the presentation and retrieval of the Colors by the Color Guard. A demonstration of the music was made for the Board members.

President Hall introduced and welcomed the new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Barry Key who will be attending the CASSAR Fall meeting the first weekend of November. He also asked Board





members to support the upcoming "Wreaths Across America." Both compatriots Ray Raser and Ernie McCullough indicated that the Chapter does normally support this event.

President Hall and board members discussed what to do with Chapter documents and items stored at Philip Hinshaw's home. Philip has related how no one has ever asked to see them any of them. Fred asked board members to volunteer to help Philip sort through the Chapter documents but no one offered to help. Philip has indicated he will commence the process of disposing of the archived documents that he currently has in storage. He will retain flags and Color Guard material and related display material

President Hall introduced Bill Weedman as the Member Orientation Committee, with the aim to come up with a workable plan to help new and relatively new members orientate into the Chapter.

President Hall reminded Board members that the Cabrillo Festival is September 30th, 11 am to 4 pm. Philip requests that Chapter members attend.

### 1st Vice President (Barry Key)

No report at this time, Barry's first day on the job.

#### Treasurer (Richard Leslie)

Report submitted by email to Board members.

#### Webmaster (Richard Leslie)

Traffic on the website dipped in June but has recovered since then.

# **Color Guard Commander (Ernie McCullough)**

Ernie reviewed the functions that the Color Guard participated in over the summer; 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Coronado; Skip Cox drove his copy of a 1936 Mercedes Benz two seat convertible and President Fred Hall and First Lady Bonnie Hall sat on the rear deck waving to the people on the sidewalks. Ray Raser and George Biles carried the Flags and Dennis Cushman and Bob Hayden were drummers and Debbie Cushman played the fife. The Color Guard also participated in a memorial to commemorate the 66 sailors killed in the *USS Bennington* explosion on July 21, 1905. The Guard attended a funeral for Compatriot John Everette Cahoon #152822 at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery. George Biles, Ernie McCullough, Jim Mattern, Stan De Long and Bob Hayden made up the Color Guard for Compatriot Cahoon's funeral. Also in attendance were President Fred Hall and Treasurer Richard Leslie.

Skip Cox volunteered that he might have an alternative tailor to make the Chapter uniforms.

#### Membership Vice President (Bill Weedman)





# See "New Business"

# Registrar (Ray Raser)

Ray related how he needs help processing the applications. He would especially like to have someone who is computer savvy.

# **Chaplain (Stan De Long)**

Absent

# Sergeant-at-Arms (Ed Torrence)

Ed talked briefly about how fund raising was proceeding to purchase the Princeton NJ Battlefield, known locally as Maxwell's Field that George Washington's Army, led by George Washington himself, defeated the British on. Currently the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University and the Civil War Trust need three quarters of a million dollars more contributions from individuals. The rest of the money will be matched by philanthropist and other entities.

# Secretary (Bob Hayden)

Report submitted by email; no comments.

# 2nd Vice President (Vacant)

#### **New Business**

Bill Weedman will invite all members with more than four years membership to a meeting to discuss the possibility of mentoring new members in attempt to encourage them to participate in Chapter activities. It is surmised that with a little guidance some members might be more willing to take on positions of leadership.

Dick Leslie motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Barry Key seconded, unanimously accepted by the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 Bob Hayden Secretary San Diego SAR