



## San Diego Chapter SAR Board of Directors Minutes 05/16/2019

### 16066 Bernardo Heights Parkway San Diego, CA

ATTENDEES POSITION

Bill Peters President\*

Fred Hall Treasurer\*

Ed Torrence Sergeant-at-Arms\*

Ray Raser Registrar\*

Bill Weedman VP for Membership\*

Bob Hayden Secretary\*

Skip Cox Color Guard Commander

Duncan Campbell Genealogist

#### **Absent**

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

Barry Key Communications Director

1<sup>st</sup> VP (Vacant) 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Vacant)

(\* Elected and Voting Board Members)

President Bill Peters called the monthly BOD's meeting to order at 11:30 am. Bob Hayden called for a motion to approve the minutes for the April BOD's meeting and Bill Weedman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Officer Reports:

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (Vacant)2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Vacant)Chaplain (Stan De Long) (Excused)

#### Secretary (Bob Hayden)

Will be sending reinstatement paperwork for eight Chapter members, who were mistakenly dropped at the end of 2018, to acting CASSAR Secretary Dave Grinnell on Monday the  $20^{th}$  of May.





Handed off signed NSSAR Application and Membership Certificate for new member Andrew Steven Young to President Bill Peters.

#### Treasurer (Fred Hall)

Asked Board members to peruse the April Treasurer's Report and give any suggestions for making it easier to understand. A few suggestions were made that Fred will include in the next report.

A brief discussion about the Chapter Budget ensued.

#### Vice President Membership (Bill Weedman)

Nothing to report.

#### Registrar (Ray Raser)

Ray met with Owen Stiles the CASSAR Registrar to discuss problems with data entry and data entry fees. Ray would like to transfer over the Chapter's new members application data entry to his son Joshua, who incidentally is a life member of the SAR, and pay Joshua directly the \$35.00 per submitted application that Ray currently pays to Owen Stiles to perform this function.

Joshua will put together a program for processing new applications and work with the Chapter genealogist Duncan Campbell to make sure there is good coordination between them.

The new data entry program will be easily transferable to another data entry person if Joshua should give up this job.

Bill Weedman made a motion that Ray be allowed to transfer over the duties of data entry to his son Joshua Raser from Owen Stiles and pay Joshua the data entry fee of 35.00 per new Chapter member.

Fred Hall seconded the motion and President Bill Peters called for discussion. No discussion was offered, then President Peters called for a vote on the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Ray will participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Coronado.

Ray will be attending the 2019 National Congress meeting in Costa Mesa this July and will serve as a registrar of members attending. Also, as the President of the San Diego Colony of the Mayflower Society he will deliver a welcoming message to the assembly from the Society.

Ray would like to drum up interest in a program offered by the SAR called Operation Ancestor Search (OAS) that is for wounded warriors convalescing in military hospitals or related institutions. Ancestry.com offers these wounded warriors a year free subscription but volunteers are needed to mentor them through the program. Ray will send out an email to Board members asking for volunteers.

#### **Genealogist (Duncan Campbell)**

No report from Duncan but he suggested the Chapter should mention the Wreaths Across America event on the Chapter Website.





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

Color Guard members Peter Fagen and Ricco Buhay are still waiting for their tailor to finish their Revolutionary War uniforms.

The Black Powder liability insurance lapsed for non-payment of premiums on 4/01/2019. Skip is in the process of reinstatement/application of the coverage.

Skip Cox (musket firing), Duncan Campbell, Philip Hinshaw and Kathy Loftman (musket firing) are scheduled\* to participate in the 119th Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery Memorial Day Service and Day of Remembrance. Sgt. at Arms, Edward Torrance will also be in attendance representing the San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Skip discussed the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and opined that as of now, himself, Ray Raser and possibly the Fagen's would march in the parade. Fred Hall is attempting to borrow a 1954 Ford Convertible for the event. There is still a question of who is going to drive the Ford convertible if it's available. Also, markers are still needed for the two Chapter vehicles that will be in the parade.

Participating members in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade will meet at the home of Alva Smithson in San Diego around 8:30am then drive to the staging area in as few cars as possible. Parking is at a premium on the 4<sup>th</sup> so carpooling is necessary.

President Bill Peters and Color Guard Commander Skip Cox presented the SAR Poster Awards to the children winners at the Silver Strand Elementary School.

The first-place winner in Ms. Cavanaugh's class placed forth at the state level.

Skip will try and secure a copy of a photo taken at the state level competition showing the six top rated posters, and awards and members from each of the Chapters they represent.

Ernie McCullough, Color Guard Vice-Commander is recuperating from a broken hip in an assisted living facility in North County San Diego. He is expected to be back home soon. the total recovery period is expected to be 3-4 months. HIs mobile phone # is: 760 519-4678.

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

Ed attended an Orange County Chapter meeting and heard a presentation on the George Washington Endowment fund by Jim Fosdyck which he found quite compelling.

Ed suggested, for the Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest winner, also known as the Pamphlet Trifold Contest, the Chapter needs to present the winner with a check and return the all the pamphlets of students who participated to the teacher. Ed suggested it would be helpful if members of the Color Guard could make the presentation.

Ed discussed the possibility of presenting a Heroism Award to Oscar Stewart and possibly other members of the Poway Chabad for their heroic efforts to defend the congregants during the April 27 shooting spree by an anti-Semite. Oscar Stewart is from San Antonio and the San Antonio Chapter of the SAR would like to present him and possibly other members of the congregants with a Heroism Award but would need to have someone from the San Diego





Chapter to do the actual presentations. At this point, Ed is having a difficult time contacting anyone at the synagogue. A possible work around of this problem might be trying to go through the Sheriff's Office and use them to initiate contact with the Chabad.

#### **Communication Director & Acting Webmaster (Barry Key)**

Report submitted by email.

#### President (Bill Peters)

Bill reminded the Board that if they want to attend the National Congress meeting in Costa Mesa this July, they need to sign up soon and please let him know when they do.

Ms. Renee Cavanaugh's Silver Strand Elementary School, 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades will attend the May meeting and speak on her job as a teacher and her work with SARSD Poster Contest.

Bill reviewed the Events list on the meeting agenda and asked if any changes needed to be made to the Chapter Calendar. No changes to the calendar.

#### **Announcements**

Ed Torrence will make an announcement for the George Washington Endowment fund at the May 25 Membership meeting.

The upcoming membership meeting on May 25 will be the meeting where a change to the Chapter By-laws will be put forward for the members to vote on. Specifically, a motion will be made to amend the Chapter By-laws to give the Color Guard Commander the right to vote on matters before the Board.

#### Adjournment

Ray Raser moved to adjourn the meeting and Ed Torrence 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote to adjourn. President Peters adjourned the meeting at 1:21pm

Regards,

Bob Hayden Secretary San Diego Chapter SAR



# San Diego Chapter California Society Sons of the American Revolution



May 16, 2019

Officers 2019

Re: May Communications Report

President William Peters president@sarsandiego.org

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#### Email:

Mailchimp email lists have been updated to reflect new members.

One member has unsubscribed from the MailChimp system. Email announcements for Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup> (parade and HOS), Annual Congress, etc. scheduled for release May 18<sup>th</sup>. These have been delayed due to personal time constraints.

#### **Social Media:**

This Day in History is moving forward and is populated with regular scheduled postings through May 31<sup>st</sup>. Posts go to Facebook and Twitter. June content is currently being setup.

Emailed meeting notices and other select communications are currently posted to Facebook and Twitter.

Metrics: Highest reach numbers (the number of places SARSD posts were seen) are

- FB: 1,323 unique users, 589 user pages and 25 likes
- Twitter 3,679 unique views, 7 re-tweets, 12 like.

#### **Quarterly News Magazine:**

Spring 2019 edition is in development and is targeted for distribution near the end of May or May meeting. Featuring Compatriot Mattern's ancestor in the Patriot Showcase content.

#### Website:

All software plug-in updates are current.

#### Awards:

Reached out to Mrs. Golding re: heroism award. Awaiting response.

Barry Key

Communications Director, SAR San Diego Chapter