

San Diego Chapter SAR Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

09/17/2020

Teleconference Hosted by Barry Key,

Communications Director

Vista, CA

ATTENDEES

POSITION

Bill Peters	President*
Ed Torrence	1 st Vice President*
Michael Hirman	2nd Vice President*
Bill Weedman	VP for Membership*
Bob Hayden	Secretary*
George Brewster, Jr.	Chancellor
Barry Key	Communications Director

Absent

Duncan Campbell	Color Guard Commander*
Fred Hall	Treasurer*
Stan De Long	Chaplain*
Ray Raser	Registrar*

President Peters called the meeting to order at 12:00pm

Bill Weedman motioned to accept the minutes for the July 16th Board of Director's meeting and Chapter Chancellor George Brewster seconded the motion. President Peters called for discussion, but none was offered. President Peters called for an affirmative vote by a show of hands. Vote was unanimous to accept.

Officer Reports:

2nd Vice President (Michael Hirman)

Most of Michael's programs are currently in limbo due to the Covid – 19 situation. But he did talk briefly about a new controversial program that is being pushed in American Elementary

and High Schools to reframe the teaching of American History in the context of slavery and its continuing effect on the current American cultural. Michael suggested that this is an issue that CASSAR and NSSAR might tackle soon.

1st Vice President (Edward Torrence)

Ed lent his support to the idea of contacting the State and National organization about Project 1619 and also suggested that Renee Kavanaugh of Silver Strand Elementary School in Coronado be contacted to see how project 1619 is being received in her school.

Secretary (Bob Hayden)

Bob reported we currently have 174 members in the Chapter.

Bob also requested the Board to entertain the notion of paying all Junior member's dues until they become regular members at the age of 18. This idea came from CASSAR because of the extensive paperwork (expense) that is required to reinstate a member if they fail to pay their dues for any particular year. For \$5.00 per year to National it's not really worth it to the Chapter or CASSAR.

President Peters called for a motion to authorize the Chapter to pick up Junior Member's dues until they become a Regular member at age 18.

Bob Hayden offered the motion and Edward Torrence seconded the motion. President Peters called for discussion and none was offered, then called for a vote. Four Board members voted in the affirmative and there were no negative votes.

Michael Hiram abstained from voting because his son Philip Hiram is a Junior member in the San Diego Chapter.

Bob suggested changing the timing of the monthly Board meeting from 11:30am to sometime earlier, for example 9:00am. After some discussion by the four Board members present it was decided that President Peters would try and call each Board member and solicit their opinion on the idea and based on that feedback decide what action to take.

President Peters suggested that Bob Hayden send copies of the CASSAR instructions for handling the annual Reconciliation Report to Fred Hall and Bill Weedman. Bob agreed to send them.

Treasurer (Fred Hall)

Excused absence

Vice President Membership (Bill Weedman)

Bill talked about how The Governor Shelby Chapter in Louisville Kentucky conducts their monthly chapter meetings. He was in contact with President Mike King of that Chapter who sent Bill (Weedman) their September Membership meeting agenda. President King invited Bill to attend the meeting. They are very happy with their virtual meetings.

Chaplain (Stan DeLong)

Absent

Registrar (Ray Raser)

Absent

Genealogist (Vacant)**Color Guard Commander (Duncan Campbell)**

Excused absence due to fire duty in northern California.

Sergeant at Arms (Vacant)

Still no candidates yet.

Communications Director (Barry Key)

Barry is working on updating the Chapter Handbook and will release versions for the Board to review and comment on in the future.

Barry reported that he and Larry Hardin have started working on the Wreaths Across America program and have a goal of sponsoring a hundred wreaths this year.

The Chapter website was briefly down this week for technical updates, perhaps a couple of hours during off hours.

Asked the Secretary to send him a list of new members with contact information.

Website is up to date and stable.

President (Bill Peters)

Discussed who is responsible for chairing the different committees required by Chapter Bylaws. 1st Vice President Torrence discussed where the responsibility lies based on Chapter bylaws. The Chapter bylaws are currently listed on the Chapter Website.

President (Bill Peters)

San Diego Veterans Day Parade: Still undetermined if the parade will be held this year. Will look for announcements. Bill Weedman sent Board members a link to the San Diego Veterans Day Parade (<https://www.sdveterparade.org/>) that show the parade being held this year on November 11 from 11:am to 1:00 pm. Duncan sent an email stating he registered the Color Guard for the parade, but did not hear back as of 9/17/2020.

Member Meeting – Virtual President Peters discussed the possibility of holding a monthly membership meeting using a Zoom or equivalent program. It would necessitate the Chapter hosting the meeting and paying for the video conferencing app. President Peters and Barry Key will do some research on the subject and try and set some parameters for a meeting.

Bob Hayden motioned to close the meeting and Bill Weedman seconded the motion. President Peters called for discussion and none was offered. Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45pm.

Patriotically,

Bob Hayden
Secretary San Diego Chapter Secretary