

Ambassador Fletcher Warren Chapter #43 Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution



March 18, 2022 Minutes

The Ambassador Fletcher Warren SAR Chapter met on Friday March 18, 2022 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by President James Owsley at 11:04AM.

Members in attendance were: President James Owsley, 1st Vice President Ted Wilson, Treasurer John Greer, Larry French, Chaplain Nick Funk, acting Secretary David Kinsey, and Bill Hurst.

President Owsley provided the Invocation followed by the pledges.

President Owsley welcomed everyone. Reminded the Chapter of the upcoming State meeting in Richardson, TX at the end of March.

Business:

The February Meeting Minutes have been posted to the Amb. Fletcher Warren website. Motion to accept by Chaplain Funk, and seconded by Bill Hurst. No discussion. Minutes were approved.

John Greer provided the Treasurer's report. At this time, the account is locked so he is unable to provide an exact amount. State Treasurer David Kinsey will write the letter to Cypress bank authorizing the Chapter to change the name to get the account reopened.

Continued discussion for the grave marking of Ambassador Fletcher Warren was made. The grave marking has been tentatively set for May 1, 2022. John Greer requested assistance in getting the grave marker installed and setting up the program. Discussion was made regarding the invitation to the surrounding chapters.

John Greer has been able to set up April 30th in the Hunt County Courthouse at 10:00am the presentation of the Public Service Awards. He is still working on a Life Saving Award.

President Owsley has made contact with the advisor of the Greenville High School for the JROTC. President Owsley is now on their email list. The advisor will select a candidate for the Chapter to present the JROTC medal and certificate.

President Owsley also discussed the Scout Eagle Awards. He highlighted the territory the Chapter covers. President Owsley is also hopeful we will have a girl to present the Eagle Certificate to this year.

The Chapter sponsored Terry Kim in the Rumbaugh Oration competition. While Mr. Kim did not proceed to State competition, it was noted he is only a Freshman and will have continued opportunities to try again. Confidence is high he will continue the quest.

On March 1, 2022, the Chapter presented Vietnam lapel pins to several veterans at the Audie Murphy Cotton Museum. John Greer did state the presentation made it into the local newspaper.



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June 14, 2022 is National Flag Day. The Chapter participates at the Elk Lodge for this event. It begins at 6pm, and doors open around 5:30pm on that day. David Kinsey brought up that neighboring chapters hold a Flag Retirement program that day. Discussion followed of other Flag Retirement programs.

Our program today was given by Bill Hurst on one of his ancestors: Mary Draper Ingles. While she is more notably involved in the French & Indian war, she was instrumental during the Revolutionary War with ties to George Rogers Clark.

During closing remarks, there was discussion of the newly minted Wounded Warriors coin the Texas State Society has had made. Following discussion of the coin, Ted Wilson made the motion the Chapter purchase 5 of the coins when available. Bill Hurst seconded. Motion carried.

Due to the 3rd Friday of April being Good Friday, the Chapter elected to meet on April 8, 2022 at 11:00AM.

The Benediction was offered by Chaplain Funk followed by the recessional.

The meeting was adjourned by President Owsley at 12:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Kinsey, Secretary