

Ark-La-Tex Chapter Meeting Minutes June 14, 2022
Meeting was held at the Atlanta American Legion Hall

Members Present

Clarence Burns	Bill Sekel
Rick Blackwood	Dennis M. Beckham
Danny Addington	Harold Blair
Joshua Beckham	Danny Addington
Larry Joe Reynolds	Shawn Tully
Michael Addington	Bob Woodruff

Jr. SAR Members

Mack Thomas	Bear Thomas
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Visitors Present

Carolyn Addington	Windy Addington
Rodney G. Love	John Kelsey
Pat Tomberlain	Patrick Tomberlain
Ainsleigh Addington	Butch Owen
Jared Thomas	Sara Thomas
Stacey Beckham	

President Clarence Burns called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Compatriot Joshua Beckham gave the invocation.

Compatriot Clarence Burns welcomed the members and guests.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led the members and guests in the pledge to the United States flag, the Texas flag.

Compatriot Bill Sekel led the pledge to the SAR flag.

The reading of the minutes from the February 12, 2022, business meeting was waived. The minutes were emailed to all chapter members on May 21, 2022.

Compatriot Clarence Burns Conducted a swearing-in of Danny Addington as Treasurer. New members, Michael Addington, Shawn Tully, Bob Woodruff, and Larry Joe Reynolds were sworn in. Jr. SAR members Mack Thomas and Bear Thomas were sworn in also.

Compatriot Clarence Burns introduced the guest speaker Rodney Love, a retired Linden-Kildare educator. He gave a talk on the history of our U. S. flag since today is Flag Day. He also demonstrated with the help of 3 compatriots, how to properly fold the flag.

Compatriot Danny Addington gave the Treasurer's Report. Current balance is \$955.80. Motion to accept was by Dennis Beckham and second was by Bill Sekel.

Compatriot Dennis Beckham the Registrar's Report. We currently have 26 members with 5 in the works.

Compatriot Clarence Burns entertained a motion to reimburse Dennis Beckham for the purchase of our chapter's challenge coins. Motion was made by Rick Blackwood and seconded by Larry Joe Reynolds. Motion Carried.

Compatriot Clarence Burns entertained a motion to reimburse Dennis Beckham for watermarked paper, certificate presentation folders, two certificates, and a law enforcement medal. Rick Blackwood seconded. Motion carried.

Compatriot Dennis Beckham stated that the chapter needed to purchase 10 more rosettes for potential new members. Motion to purchase was by Bill Sekel and the second was by Shawn Tully. Motion Carried.

Compatriot Dennis Beckham mad a motion to give members a challenge coin for each \$10 donation to the chapter treasury. Motion was seconded by Rick Blackwood.

Compatriot Clarence Burns entertained a motion to allow purchases to be made for the chapter by agreement of a quorum of Chapter officers. Motion was made by Larry Joe Reynolds and seconded by Danny Addington. Motion Carried.

Compatriot Bill Sekel led a discussion about military service certificates and medals that could and should be given to members and others.

Compatriot Larry Joe Reynolds asked questions about attendance at the National meeting and South-Central District meeting. Bill Sekel answered his questions.

Compatriot Clarence Burns presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Trammels Trace Chapter of the DAR which was accepted by Windy Addington.

Compatriot Bill Sekel led members in the SAR Closing Admonition.

Compatriot Bill Sekel made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Rick Blackwood. Motion carried.

Compatriot Josh Beckham gave the Benediction.

Addendum – The Ark-la-Tex Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, participated in a Flag Retirement Ceremony with the DAR and the American Legion, on the afternoon of June 14, 2022, at the front of the Atlanta American Legion Hall.