## Meeting Minutes for TXSSAR Arlington Chapter #7

Division Street Diner, 1800 Division Street, Arlington, TX 76012

May 11, 2013

- > President Ron Carter called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 AM.
- > Vice President John Anderson led the invocation.
- > Treasurer Roger Wehr led the pledge of allegiance to the U.S. flag.
- > Compatriot William Covington, Jr. led the pledge of allegiance to the Texas flag.
- > President Ron Carter led the pledge of allegiance to the SAR flag.
- > Officer and Committee Reports:
  - The Business Meeting was opened and the minutes of the previous chapter meeting (April 13) were approved.
  - Chapter Treasurer Roger Wehr presented the treasurer report:
    - The most recent bank account balance was circulated among all in attendance at the meeting. A statement was also made regarding the amount of petty cash on hand.
    - A motion was made and approved to deliver three checks to the local SAR elementary school poster contest winners in the amounts of \$35, \$25, and \$15.
    - A copy of SAR invoice #7030 (April 21, 2013) was circulated for the SAR items purchased by Roger Wehr via his personal credit card. It was resolved that President Ron Carter would sign a SAR check in the amount of \$75 to reimburse Roger Wehr for that SAR invoice.
  - Chapter Registrar John Anderson presented the registrar report:
    - <sup>o</sup> Updates were made regarding the status of prospective members.
    - <sup>°</sup> June plans include inductions of the Wehr family members and Sonny Parks.
  - Chairman Ron Carter presented the Americanism Poster Contest committee report:
    - It was noted that 180 SAR certificates will be produced this year.
    - He will present an award to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners at Key Elementary School and the TXSSAR 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner at Wood Elementary School.

- Chairman Roger Wehr presented the ROTC/JROTC committee report:
  - He discussed the award presentations which have taken place and the possibility of our chapter nominating a candidate for the enhanced JROTC award. The enhanced JROTC award has a scholarship value at the state and national levels.
  - A proposal was made to present Flag Certificates to each of the local JROTC/ROTC programs in the area.
- Chairman John Anderson presented the Web Administrator's report:
  - For a potential Chapter Roster and Compatriot Profile, he discussed the pros and cons of placing personal information on the SAR chapter website.
  - Permission was requested and granted for the placement of compatriot photos and e-mail contact information on the chapter website. It was noted that no permission is needed from chapter officers and committee chairmen. But any compatriot can be excluded if they request.
  - Suggestions included patriot histories, compatriot's areas of expertise and their military service records, if applicable.
  - More suggestions included memorial webpages dedicated to deceased compatriots of our local chapter.
- > Old and New Business Transactions:
  - Several members noted that vacation schedules may sometimes conflict with chapter meetings. Roger Wehr suggested the summer meeting schedule should continue monthly to maintain continuity. It was resolved that monthly meetings will continue for this summer and until further notice.
  - A discussion took place regarding the potential revision of our chapter charter. The purpose is to bring it current to match our current officer and committee activities. A tentative timetable within the next few months was discussed.
  - A discussion took place regarding greater involvement with the local Children of the American Revolution (CAR) and Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) chapters. It was noted that greater involvement with the local CAR and DAR chapters could lead to increased membership for our chapter. A committee may be needed to focus those activities.
  - President Ron Carter requested the ordering of additional certificates of appreciation from the SAR national office. He noted that certificates are available for lifetime membership and for service history.
  - A discussion took place regarding how the chapter should get involved with Arlington's Independence Day Parade. A strategy was discussed regarding working in conjunction with the local DAR chapter which has participated in several of these parades.

• Candidate Kevin Jorrey discussed the possibility of linking up local JROTC/ROTC groups to a tour of a local defense contractor facility.

President Ron Carter adjourned the meeting at approximate 10:20 AM with the SAR Closing Admonition, and John Anderson gave the Benediction.

There were 6 members and 1 guest present.

Our next meeting is scheduled at 9:00 AM June 8, 2013 at the same location.

Roger Wehr in behalf of Bob Wehr TXSSAR Arlington Chapter Secretary www.txssar.org/Arlington rhwehr@cwasgroup.com