

LADIES AUXILIARY
Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution
Annual Meeting, March 29, 2014
Omni San Antonio at the Colonnade
San Antonio, Texas

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Sue Lenas at 9:32 AM.

Chaplain, Mary Louise Gulley, was unable to attend the meeting today; Mary Thompson gave the opening prayer provided by our Chaplain Mary Louise Gulley.

Pledges to the American and Texas Flag were led by Recording Secretary Eileen Walcik. The Ladies Auxiliary Pledge was led by Diane Jones.

Sue Lenas, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked the hostesses, especially Priscilla (Prissy) Hancock, for the work she and the other San Antonio ladies had done in planning the activities for our ladies and for the great hospitality room. She complimented the tour yesterday to the Jose Navarro home and the restaurant.

President Lenas presented a gift from the ladies auxiliary to the First Lady of Texas, Marie Rohrbough, for her outstanding efforts this past year. Marie is wife of the 2013-2014 TXSSAR State President Stephen Rohrbough.

Introduction of officers:

Angela Peik-Vice President

Mary Claire Beard-Treasurer/Registrar

Eileen Walcik-Recording Secretary

Mary Louise Gulley-Chaplain was unable to attend. Mary Thompson acted as Chaplain for the meeting.

Barbara Stevens-Historian was unable to attend.

Catherine Massey-Parliamentarian-was unable to attend as her husband is in India on a business trip-Judy West acted as Parliamentarian.

President Lenas thanked all these ladies for stepping up to assist today. They are all very qualified and represent a wealth of LATXSSAR knowledge.

Introduction of Special Guests:

Billie Brock, wife of Lindsey Brock, Secretary General

Cilla Tomme, NSLSAR Chaplain and wife of J. Michael Tomme Sr., NSSAR Registrar General

Mikki Jo Lawrence, wife of Treasurer General Tom Lawrence

Wanda White, wife of Nathan White, former President General

Robin Butler, wife of Judge Ed Butler, former President General

Carol Radcliff, wife of Michael Radcliff, National Color Guard Commander

Diane Jones, wife of Jim Jones, Vice President General International

Marie Rohrbough, wife of Steven Rohrbough, State President

Leann Cornwell, wife of Larry Cornwell, Genealogist General

Those in attendance were asked to sign the roll call sheet and to provide their email addresses. We have had several emails bounce so we want to make sure everyone is receiving information.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Eileen Walcik reported the Minutes from the Board of Managers Meeting held in Houston at the Hilton Garden Inn on October 13, 2013 and the Special Board of Directors meeting. One correction was

made to the price of tickets. The minutes were approved as corrected and filed. They will be posted on the TXSSAR website under Ladies Auxiliary.

Chaplains Report:

Mary Thompson presented the Chaplain's report in the absence of Mary Louise Gulley. Linda Edwards continues to do better and is getting more energy. She will have a follow-up to her chemo treatments in three months to see if they worked. Pete Lenes, husband of Sue Lenes, was in the hospital with a blot clot. He is doing better and will have an MRI next month. John Gulley, husband of Mary Louise Gulley, Chaplain, has multiple health problems especially with his legs. He recently purchased a scooter to help him get around. Teddy Rector, wife of Don Rector, is not able to attend any more but still enjoys receiving correspondence. Pat Hall's husband, Robert, passed away this past summer. She broke her leg two months ago. Eileen Walcik's father-in-law, Vladik Walcik, passed away in October at the age of 102. Her husband Ron is District 4 Vice President.

Treasurer/Registrar Report:

Mary Claire Beard gave the Treasurer and Registrar reports. There is a list of member emails for your review. Please make corrections if necessary. This list is very important, and it makes sure you will receive notifications from your board. We currently have 30 life members. Dues are \$5 a year or members can pay \$100 to be a life member.

The beginning balance as of April 1, 2013 was \$8,310.09. A donation of \$3,333.00 was made to the Patriot Fund from the quilt project. The ending balance as of March 31, 2014 is \$6,150.09. We currently have \$441.00 in the quilt fund.

The treasurer's report will be filed and posted on the website.

Old Business:

Due to the resignation in October of Sylvia Marrs, the elected Treasurer/Registrar, the Board of Directors asked for volunteers to fill the vacated position. The Board of Directors held a Special Called Meeting to name a replacement. After review and discussion the Board appointed Mary Claire Beard as the new Treasurer/Registrar. She has been in communication with Linda Edwards and Sue Lenes, and she has worked diligently to update all the information that she gave in her report. The position will be up for reelection in March of 2015, as will all of the other Board of Directors positions.

The Board also made the decision to move the Bank account from the Dallas bank to the Wells Fargo group for a more convenient manner for LATXSSAR to do business. Linda Edwards, Mary Claire Beard and President Sue Lenes are signers on the account. The account was opened at no charge to our organization. Official business can be conducted from any Wells Fargo facility making it more convenient to make deposits of monies received and checks disbursed for approved payments of LATXSSAR debts. Our Vice President is now able to make deposits at any facility of monies received for the ticket sales on the quilt raffle.

New Business:

President Lenes talked about the beautiful quilt that is the **Patriot Fund Project** for our Auxiliary's two year project. Phoebe Hartline who jointed our Auxiliary in April 2013, as a Life Member, volunteered to design and create this lovely work of art. President Lenes recognized Phoebe and thanked her for her hard work. She announced that after the meeting adjourns, members need to pick up an envelope of 30 tickets to sell. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Our ticket sales have been slow, but we have only been selling tickets since October, 2013.

Budget:

The Budget Committee made up of Mary Claire Beard, Linda Edwards and President Lenes submitted the Board's approved budget for 2014-2015. Mary Claire Beard reviewed the budget for the membership. Wanda White said there used to be a contribution to the National headquarters for the Center for Advancement of American Heritage and wondered if we were still doing that. We do have it in our budget and will create a form to send in with our donation. There are several chairs in the National Library from the donations of the Texas Ladies Auxiliary. Wanda White made a motion that \$200 of the \$300 budgeted (for the Patriots Fund, CAAH and CAR) be sent to the National Center from the Texas Ladies Auxiliary and if there are things such as chairs as in the past, that it be designated as from the Texas Ladies Auxiliary. The motion to accept was made by Barbara Baker, seconded by Anna Lee. Barbara Baker made the motion to accept the budget as amended and was seconded by Anna Lee.

Membership Pins:

President Lenes reported that she had contacted Donna Reeder at the Pin Center in Las Vegas and sent them her pin as an example. We can get 100 pins for \$240 plus \$13 shipping or 200 pins for \$440 plus \$17 shipping. The last time we ordered pins was in 2006 and we just ran out of pins in October. Diane Jones made a motion to order 100 pins for \$220 plus shipping. The motion was seconded by Carol Holden. The motion carried. The next discussion involved the purchase of the National Ladies Auxiliary pins. Judy West made a motion to allow Treasurer Mary Claire Beard to purchase ten pins from National this year. The motion was seconded by Jane Cohen. The motion carried.

Announcements:

President Lenes recognized first time attendees Ileen Miller, Gloria Gibson, Mindy Lovell, Julie Avedikian and Karen Pilgrim.

The **Benediction** was given by Mary Thompson

The **Ladies Auxiliary Recessional** was led by Diane Rohrbough

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Walcik
Recording Secretary