



Withlacoochee Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

Meeting minutes taken on April 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Hitchcock at 10:45 AM.

Invocation was given by Chaplin Eric Linthicum.

The Pledge of Allegiance, SAR Pledge and American Creed was recited by all.

President Hitchcock introduced the following guests: Ft. Cooper DAR Regent Fawn McGee and her husband Jack. Hernando Elementary School Poster winner Jace Mills, her teacher Danita Consol, Bruce Mills, Mom Trina, and siblings Ivy and Alden, grandparents Kurt and Janet Mills

April Birthdays for Jimmie Barnes and Chauncey Reich were recognized.

President Hitchcock said a prayer and asked for a silent prayer for our soldiers who are in harms way.

Eric Linthicum was inducted into our chapter and gave a short speech.

The President then presented a Certificate of appreciation to Fawn McGee for the George Washington event.

Poster contest winner Jace Mills was presented with a certificate and monetary award by President Hitchcock.

Treasurer Richard Bailey gave his financial report for the period of 3-11-23 to 4-13-23 of income of \$988, Expenses of \$1373.86 showing a loss of \$385.86. We had substantial costs for awards. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. Passed unanimously.

Secretary Tom Bowen presented the minutes from the meeting on March 11, 2023. One correction was made on *Richard Trout Jr to Richard Trout*. Motion was made and seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as corrected.

Tom Hellem Registrar gave his registrar's report that he is working on 17 Regular and 3 supplemental applications.

Bill Ferguson gave a report on Scouting.

Color Guard commander Bob Thomas gave his report. We had a total of 6 members present at the Clover Leaf Farms parade and scheduled to participate in the Battle of Pensacola. There



may be several events in the summer. Bob also encouraged members to volunteer for the color guard and showed off his homespun uniform that is relatively inexpensive to buy.

Tom Bowen – Secretary was introduced by President Hitchcock and gave an informative and entertaining speech on one of the famous characters of the Revolutionary War Ethan Allen. At the end of the speech the President had a short item on his ancestry to Ethan Allen.

New Business: Nelson Peters Chair of the Education Committee gave some very informative information on the Education and Fund-Raising Committee which are essentially tied together. He emphasized that fundraising and social fellowship can go together. He announced an event called Beefeaters on June 30 which can happen in any month with five Fridays. It will be a steak dinner with all the trimmings for \$50 with two possible locations.

Happy Dollars was conducted by Richard Bailey. Recessional was recited by all, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM

Bill Teater conducted the raffle for Veterans, tickets were drawn, and prizes given out. Ticket numbers on the link below

<http://www.withsar.org/upcoming-events.html>

General Meeting Attendants: John Attanasio, Richard Bailey, Jimmie Barnes, Thomas Bowen, Douglas Brock, Stephen Burke, Debbie Burke, Arthur Burt, James Echlin, Bill Ferguson, Norm Freyer, Russ Gibson, Tom Hellem, David Hitchcock, Stephen Hohman, Mark Johnson, Collin Landis, Eric Linthicum, John Longacre, Charlie Lukas, Fawn McGee, John McGee, William Moorehead, Nelson Peters, James Peyton, Chauncey Reich, John Seddon, William Teater, Robert Thomas, Jack Townsend, Richard Trout, John Wilder, Danita Consol, Jace Mills, Bruce Mills, Trina Mills, Ivy Mills, Aiden, Mills, Kurt Mills, Janet Mills