



WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER

Sons of the American Revolution

Minutes of Meeting held on December 10, 2022

President David Hitchcock called the meeting to order at 10:34 AM.

The Invocation was given.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

The SAR Pledge was recited.

Two guests were introduced: Fawn McGee - Regent of the Fort Cooper Chapter of the DAR and Jeff Amundsen.

Russ Gibson of the Color Guard announced the Wreaths across American - details still pending. The next scheduled appearance will be on February 22nd Washington's birthday event where the colors will be presented.

Treasurer Richard Bailey gave the Treasurers report reporting \$5261.26 income, \$1716.77 in expenses. See Treasurers report for further detail. Ten members still have not paid dues. Letters sent to those members. Motion was made and seconded to adopt the Treasures report and was passed unanimously.

Secretary Tom Bowen had previously passed out two copies of the minutes of the meeting on November 12, 2022, to each table and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Secretary's minutes three times. Hearing no additions or corrections a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes and was passed unanimously.

Registrar Vicki Brown gave the registrar's report. There are five apps at National and working on two. President Hitchcock gave a short speech complimenting Vick's work over 6 years in which she handled 66 applicants in that time. The president asked for a round of applause for Vicki's good work over that time frame. Vicki advised she would still be attending meetings and would help when needed.

The President called on Tom Bowen chair of the nomination committee to give a report. Tom Bowen advised the current slate of nominees **are President - David Hitchcock, 1st Vice President - John Carey, 2nd Vice President - Stephen Brown, Treasurer - Richard Bailey and Secretary - Tom Bowen.** Two copies of the Nominating Committee Report were placed on each table prior to the meeting. There was also an email sent by President Hitchcock on October 16, 2022, to all members asking for any further nominations be sent to the Secretary. No further nominations were received. The Secretary then asked for any further nominations three times for the President, 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary respectively. Hearing no further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations and passed unanimously. The slate of candidates was presented to the President who asked for a motion to duly elect the above slate of candidates. A motion was made and seconded to elect the

slate of candidates above and passed unanimously.

President Hitchcock then presented a video titled "The Role of Women in the American Revolution" This video highlighted the many roles of women including combat in the American Revolution.

President Hitchcock then called Fawn McGee the President of the Fort Cooper Chapter of the DAR to the Podium to give a presentation on the upcoming George Washington's Birthday Ball. This is a fund-raising ball where the money will be a fund raiser for scholarships for the three Citrus County high schools as well as a \$500 trade scholarship. The money will also be used for a DAR 250 Patriot Marker which will go in the Military Service Memorial Park in Inverness. Invitations send out to the state DAR and SAR officers. Event to take place at the Citrus Hills CC. A photographer will be present to take photos in front of a colonial backdrop. The Regent went over the event in detail. Actors in the guise of George and Martha Washington will make a special appearance and a dance will follow featuring colonial dances. Cost to be \$60 per person.

Bill Teater gave the Veteran's report particularly on our gift giving to the Veteran's Home in Land O Lakes on December 20. Restrictions still in place so only 10 folks allowed to attend. Bill and Dave working on another military award meeting in March 2023.

The President announced the school poster contest and looking for a member to coordinate the contest. He also announced the essay contest. Bill Teater gave some additional details on Wreaths Across America on December 17th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM for lunch.

Meeting reconvened at 12:50 PM.

Publicity report by Tom Bowen.

Treasurer Bailey announced EBM meeting and open house on January 28, 2023. Happy dollars conducted by Richard Bailey. Next meeting on January 14, 2023.

Recessional recited by all, and meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Tom Bowen

Meeting Attendees: Jeffery Amundsen, Richard Bailey, Jimmie Barnes, Thomas Bowen, Stephen Brown, Vicki Brown, John Carey, Bill Ferguson, Norm Freyer, Russ Gibson, David Hitchcock, Eric Linthicum, Charlie Lukas, Douglas Nicholson, Fawn McGee, Tim Miller, James Peyton, Ronald Powell, Chauncey Reich, William Scheiterle, David Steitz, Bill Stone, Franny Stone, David Stoughton, William Teater, Robert Thomas, John Wilder