Patrick Henry Chapter

Virginia Society SAR

February 5, 2022 Minutes

Those in Attendance:

President Mark Day Scott Myers Wayne Rouse (virtual)

Secretary Jeff Myers Charlie Driscoll Cliff Potter (virtual)

Reggie Bennett David Stokes

 Lunch was provided By President Mark Day at 11:25 a.m., consisting of cold cut sandwiches. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Day at 11:52 a.m. at the American Legion Building at 1301 Greenview Drive in Lynchburg, VA. Chaplain Charlie Driscoll gave the invocation, and Scott Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge to the SAR was led by Secretary Jeff Myers. President Mark Day gave welcoming remarks.

Secretary Jeff Myers read minutes for the following meetings: November 12, 2021Board of Managers Meeting; November 13, 2021 Chapter Meeting. The Meeting Minutes were approved by the chapter.

Assistant Treasurer Charlie Driscoll reported a starting balance of $1,000.00 with dues of $925.00 paid to the Virginia and National Societies. The Chapter paid State and National dues for Joe and Alex Fabrizio. They will need to reimburse the chapter and pay their chapter dues. There were no other expenses. The ending balance was $589.62. State Secretary Wayne Rouse is the current chapter Treasurer, and he suggested that the Chapter elect Assistant Treasurer Charlie Driscoll as the new Treasurer.

President Mark Day reported that chapter members had contributed another $350.00 to the Patrick Henry Leatherwood Project, bringing the total contribution to $500.00 - $600.00. The State Society has raised over $25,000.00 for the project, and will soon start digging the foundation with new, state-of-the-art equipment.

President Mark Day will attend the State Annual Meeting on February 11-13, 2022 at the Omni Hotel in Richmond. He also reported that Membership Cards had been sent to all primary members of the Patrick Henry Chapter. The Chapter earned its first ribbon for President Day’s attendance at the Battle of Great Bridge Commemoration. The Chapter will also earn a ribbon for the Battle of Yorktown Commemoration; President Day also participated in Wreathes Across America at Presbyterian Cemetery in Lynchburg.

 President Day submitted the Americanism and Stark Award Reports. President Day appointed Secretary Jeff Myers as the Stark Committee Chairman. He also reviewed other potential awards to present in the coming year for ROTC (E.C. Glass and Heritage High Schools), Outstanding Students, Law Enforcement, Fire and other First Responders.

Our Chapter will possibly participate in a joint SAR, DAR, and the CAR, Seven Hills Chapter grave marking ceremony for a Revolutionary War Veteran. There will be a Naturalization Ceremony on May 20, 2022 at the Patrick Henry National Memorial at Red Hill, and Patrick Henry’s 286th Birthday will be celebrated on May 29, 2022. President Day is coordinating with Hope Marston for both events. There will be color guard participation with possible Grave Marking and Grave Dedication Ceremonies.

The Crossing of the Dan Commemoration will take place on Saturday, February 19, 2022 in South Boston. The Crossing event will also include the Commemoration of the Bannister River Crossing and Encampment at King’s Bridge Landing on Friday, February 18, 2022 in Halifax. This is where General Nathanael Greene gathered new troops, needed supplies, and horses for the direct engagement with the British.

The Battle of Guilford Courthouse Commemoration will be held onMarch19, 2022 in Greensboro, NC. It is a National Event.

Our next meeting will tentatively be on May 21, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at The American Legion building, another possibility is on May 20, 2022 at Red Hill’s Naturalization Ceremony.

Charlie Driscoll was designated by President Day to produce a fillable pdf file so members could report and record event participation for recognition and awards.

Chaplain Charlie Driscoll gave the benediction, Secretary Jeff Myers led the SAR Recessional, and President Day gave closing remarks. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Jeffrey F. Myers

Secretary

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