



Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

A quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Monday, February 8th, 2016 at the Berks County Genealogical Society, Goggleworks, 201 Washington St., Reading, PA 19601.

Attending: President Leon E. Adam, Treasurer David G. Loose Jr., Secretary David T. Shultz, Geneologist/Registrar Eric H. Troutman, Miles K. Dechant, Bruce L. Dietrich, Barry L. Kauffman, and Floyd N. Turner II.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by President Leon E. Adam.

The minutes of the November 16th, 2015 Executive Board Meeting were reviewed, and upon motion were approved as submitted.

President's Report: Leon Adam

- Attended the PASSAR BOM meeting on 6-7 February.
- Letters asking for Patrons for dinner meetings were sent out to all members.
- Three wall hangings donated by Compatriot Martin Peicker will be raffled off as a fund raiser, 1 each in March, June & September.
- The new Secretary, David Shultz, will be installed at the March meeting.
- Allegiance Sunday will be June 12, 2016, at Moselem Church.

Treasurer's Report Summary: David Loose

Balance 11/16/15	\$	12,426.00
Income		1,980.00
Disbursements		<u>2,756.08</u>
Cash on Hand 2/8/16		6,521.67
Cash in Savings 2/8/16		<u>5,128.47</u>
Balance 2/8/16	\$	11,650.14

- Included in Cash on Hand: reserves for the Color Guard Fund (\$1,166.71), Youth Activities Fund (\$972.95) and 2016 Washington's Birthday Luncheon (\$283.47).
- Patron donations were received from 5 Compatriots, all for the George Washington luncheon.

20 members remain unpaid for 2016 dues. The President will send out reminder letters.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed for Audit.

Audit Committee Report: Bruce Dietrich

The Treasurer's books and accounts were reviewed by the committee on February 4, 2016, and found to be correct and in good order.

Genealogist Report: Eric Troutman

New Members	Ancestors
Joseph J. Galasione	Jacob Quackenbush
Thomas D. Leidy	Solomon Lane
Peter Reinhart	George Kaufman
John W. Reinhart	George Kaufman
Carl W. Yeich	Michael Jeich
Elmer H. Zimmerman	Bernhardt Zimmerman
Supplementals Approved	
Raymond H. Longacre	Jonathan Grunewald, John George Oyster, Baltzer Bitzer/Pitzer & Leonard Sink/Zink
Larry A. Magdy	Jonathan Grunewald & Baltzer Bitzer/Pitzer
Gerald C. Peppel	Jonathan Grunewald & Baltzer Bitzer/Pitzer
Eric H. Troutman	Johannes "John" Zechman
Applications at National Headquarters	
New Member Applications	William R. Snook & Edgar G. E. Morgan
Supplemental Applications	Raymond H. Longacre (2), Larry A. Magdy (2), & Gerald C. Peppel (2)

Our Chapter currently has 150 members, 3 dual member and 12 prospective members.

Veteran's Report Summary: Charles Seibert (via email)

- Our local U.S. Army Reserve Units have been deployed multiple of times since September 11, 2001: 733rd Transportation Company, 333rd Engineer Company and the 326th Public Affairs Detachment.
- During January, participated in the Stand-Down that was sponsored by the Birdsboro America Legion, and Veterans Making a Difference, at the Birdsboro Community Center.
- Compatriot Scott R. Jenkins received his Certificate of Patriotism for his Korean Service this past year.

Veterans Services Corps Totals as of January 2016:

WW2 –457 There was a total of 855 Compatriots in this Corp

Korea –138

Vietnam –401

SW Asia/Persian Gulf-56

Special Operations/15 started 8/1/15

Military Service Veterans Corps 144

Total 1211

Color Guard Report Summary: Charles Seibert (via email)

Our Chapter Color Guard participated in 21 events and ceremonies last year.

Next event is the annual George Washington Birthday Celebration on February 27, 2016.

Eagle Scout Report: Barry Kauffman

We received 2 essays for the 2015 Eagle Scout Contest. The state winner for 2015 is one of ours.

JROTC Report: Bruce Dietrich

The first event in 2016 will be in March.

Finance Committee Report: Miles Dechant

The Finance Committee presented following motion regarding the goals of the proposed endowment fund, which, after discussion, passed unanimously:

“A. Purpose of the Fund: To ensure the perpetuation of the youth programs that are sponsored by the SAR at all three tiers. To further that purpose, the Fund shall:

1. Provide income to purchase medals and fund other awards.
2. Obviate the need for a dues increase to support these programs.

B. The Finance Committee will proceed to explore means and methods.”

Old Business:

- ❖ Allegiance Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 12, 2016 at Moselem Lutheran Church in Kutztown, PA. The Church is very interested in this event, but the request still needs to be approved by the Church Counsel.
- ❖ The Executive Board approved via email to pay PASSAR \$125 towards a liability insurance policy. President Leon Adam has received our insurance rider for this coverage from PASSAR.
- ❖ David G. Loose Jr. is pursuing a PA Sales Tax exemption as approved by the board.

New Business:

- ❖ Only about 60 members receive the newsletter via email. The chapter will continue to encourage participation.
- ❖ The Board will order new membership brochures with Miles Dechant and Eric Troutman listed as contacts.
- ❖ The speaker for the George Washington celebration is confirmed.
- ❖ The March Quarterly meeting will be held March 10, 2016, at the Inn at Reading. The speaker will be Michael Harris, author of “Brandywine”.
- ❖ The next Executive Committee meeting will be Monday, May 9, 2016. The June Quarterly meeting will be the second Thursday.
- ❖ A motion was made by Floyd Turner, seconded by Miles Dechant, to donate \$50.00 to the PACAR to be a Patron for the state CAR conference. Motion passed.
- ❖ The PASSAR annual meeting will be in Lancaster the weekend of May 7-8.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
David T. Shultz, Secretary