



**Minutes of the Executive Committee of the
Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution**

Monday, May 11, 2015

The Executive Committee of the Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution met on Monday, May 11th, 2015 at the Berks County Genealogical Society at the Goggleworks, Reading, PA.

Those attending: Compatriots Leon E. Adam, Bruce L. Dietrich, Barry L. Kauffman, David G. Loose Jr., Charles H. Seibert and Eric H. Troutman.

Those not attending: Compatriots Dr. David C. Brock, Miles K. Dechant, Robert M. Hillegas, Honorable Scott E. Lash, Nevin C. Miller, Dr. Thomas A. Stewart and Floyd N. Turner II.

The meeting was called to order at 1830 by Leon E. Adam.

The minutes of the February 16th, 2015 Executive Board Meeting were approved. Bruce L. Dietrich made a motion, Eric Troutman seconded and the Board unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: David G. Loose Jr.

Balance, 16 Feb 2015	\$ 6,577.48	
Income	11,906.00	
Disbursements	10,801.47	
Cash on Hand, 16 Feb 2015	\$ 7,682.01	
Cash in Savings, 16 Feb 2015	4,654.98	
Total Cash in the Bank	\$ 12,336.99	

The reserves for the Color Guard Fund (\$977.06), Youth Activities Fund (\$972.95) and 2016 Washington's Birthday Luncheon (\$283.47) are included in the cash on hand total.

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

Genealogist Report: Eric H. Troutman

Applications at National Headquarters:		
New Members Approved		
Evan Carl Loose	Johann Georg Loos	
Kenneth W. Roberts	Leonard Roberts	
Erik G. Weyer	Philip Stech	
R. Glenn Weyer	Philip Stech	
Knox L. Buehner	Philip Stech	

Genealogist Report: Eric H. Troutman – *continued*

Applications at National Headquarters:		
Supplementals Approved:		
John E. Lauman	Jacob Markley & Geoge Schwenk	
New Member Applications		
Joseph Michael Dougherty V		
Thomas W. Famiglietti		
Scott R. Jenkins		
Robert R. Kreitz		
Peter N. Zacharias		
Supplemental Applications		
Brinton C.P. Corson		
Stephen B. Corson		
Calvin D. Huntzinger		
Robert D. Huntzinger (2)		
Raymond H. Longacre		
Charles H. Seibert		
L. Stefan H. Troutman		
Jayquan J.J. Sudler		

Our Chapter currently has 137 members. Eric is currently working with 15 prospective members.

Color Guard Report: Charles H. Seibert

We have the following upcoming Color Guard events:

- ❖ Thursday, May 14th - Oley Elementary School will be holding a Patriot Day and have invited us to present Colors. The time is to be determined.
- ❖ Saturday, May 16th - Samuel Ethers Grave Dedication at the Palm City Park, Annville, PA. Event starts at 11:00am. Color Guard to arrive at 10:30AM.
- ❖ Sunday, May 17th - Flag Retirement Ceremony, Cub Scout Pack 155, Good Shepard United Church of Christ, Muhlenberg Township.
- ❖ Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day at Veteran’s Grove, City Park, Reading, PA.
- ❖ Monday, May 25th - Bernville Parade.
- ❖ Sunday, June 21st - Allegiance Sunday, St. Michael’s Church, Tilden Township.
- ❖ Saturday, July 4th - Wyomissing July 4th Independence Day Parade, Wyomissing, PA.

This week at Mission BBQ for Armed Forces Week, they are running specials each day depending on what branch of service you were in.

- Monday - Marines
- Tuesday - Coast Guard
- Wednesday - Air Force
- Thursday - Army
- Friday – Navy
- Saturday – Lunch with the Hero’s

Color Guard Report: Charles H. Seibert - *Continued*

We also have two Color Guardsman that will be eligible for the 3 year Bronze Color Guard Medal. They are: Charles H. Seibert and David G. Loose Jr. Certificates/Medals to be ordered.

Barry L. Kauffman made a motion to purchase a large wreath for the Memorial Day Ceremony in City Park. Charles H. Seibert seconded and the Board unanimously approved. A permanent policy was approved at the June 12, 2014 Quarterly Meeting to purchase a large wreath for Chapter events without approval.

Veteran's Report: Charles H. Seibert

I have attended five Stand-Down's for Homeless and Needy Vets, next Stand-Downs will be June 13th and July 9th.

On January 30th 2015, President General Brock officially brought the Military Service Veterans Corps on line. An honorable discharge and a National Defense Service Medal showing on your DD214 are required for this Certificate of Patriotism. You can fill out this form on line at <http://saramanasar.org>, then open up VRC Tab and fill our form and submit it to me with a copy of your DD214.

Veterans Services Corps Totals:

WWII – 555

Korea – 127

Vietnam – 387

Persian Gulf – 37

Military Service Veterans Corps – 59

Total - 1,165

I have sent 3 Compatriots Military Survey Application to Veterans Recognition Committee, those being, David G. Loose Jr., Kenneth C. Brenneman; Military Service & James M. McAteer; Vietnam Service.

Charles led a discussion on who is authorized to update compatriot awards on the National website. Some errors and omissions have been noticed. It doesn't appear that any of us have access to update this information. A list will be prepared of recent awardees and forwarded on to be updated. This could be a possible section in an upcoming Hiester Herald.

Eagle Scout Report: Barry Kauffman

In an average year, Hawk Mountain Council has approximately 200 scouts that make Eagle. Of that, 75 to 80 request certificates and we participate in approximately 40 ceremonies. We are on track for that this year. A discussion was held regarding territory coverage.

We have two Eagle Scout Ceremonies on June 20th. The program needs volunteers to participate in Eagle Scout Ceremonies. We currently have four reliable members helping: David T. Shultz, Leon Adams, Barry L. Kauffman and Martin Peicker.

Eagle Scout Report: Barry Kauffman - Continued

Our Chapter's 2014 Eagle Scout Essay Contest winner, David H. Talarico and his parents will be attending our June Quarterly Dinner. He will be reading his essay and will be presented his medal and a check for \$200.00.

JROTC Report: Bruce Dietrich

We support five area schools and each year we present the SAR JROTC Medal and Certificate to a selected individual. The 2014 Awardees are as follows:

John P. Davison	8 May 2015	West Wilson
Ian Brewer	1 May 2015	Owen J. Roberts
Jacob Roberts	12 May 2015	Pottstown
Maximo Parades	13 May 2015	Reading
Tadd Shiffer	14 March 2015	Pine Grove

Old Business:

- ❖ Allegiance Sunday will be held on June 21st at St. Michaels Church in Tilden Township. Barry has a list of the Patriot's that are buried there.

New Business:

- ❖ Willard N. Brensinger Jr. is expressed an interest in the Aide-to-the President position.
- ❖ The Executive Board discussed the Liberty Bell Americanism Streamer and President Generals Activities Streamers contest and agreed that we should report the basic big events in an effort to participate in the contest, but not at the detailed level requested by National.
- ❖ Leon Adam brought up the possibility of joining *Go Greater Reading* in an effort to advertise our group. The cost is \$237.00 annually, which would include being in their publication and on their website. Barry L. Kauffman made a motion, David G. Loose Jr. seconded and the Board approved.
- ❖ Ron Devlin of the Reading Eagle would like to do an article related to our uniforms and how we go about getting them from Lori Beasley.
- ❖ With Board agreement, Leon Adam is going to look into getting donors or sponsors towards some of our events.
- ❖ On July 13th via email the Executive Board unanimously approved \$25.00 to be issued to Daniel Boone Homestead to cover the cost of setting up a membership table during the Revolutionary War Encampment.
- ❖ The June meeting will be at Ganly's Irish Pub in Wyomissing, PA.

David G. Loose Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Charles H. Seibert seconded and the Board approved. The Meeting adjourned at 20:40.