



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

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

The Executive Committee of the Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution met on Wednesday, November 13th, 2013 at the home of President Barry L. Kauffman.

Those attending: Compatriots Willard N. Brensinger Jr., Dr. David C. Brock, Bruce L. Dietrich, Robert M. Hillegas, Barry L. Kauffman, David G. Loose Jr., Nevin C. Miller, Robert W. Murray, Charles H. Seibert, Eric H. Troutman and Floyd N. Turner II.

Those not attending: Compatriots Leon E. Adam, Miles K. Dechant, Scott E. Lash, Esq., Martin J. Peicker and Dr. Thomas A. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 1910 by President B. Kauffman.

The minutes of the August 14th, 2013 Executive Board Meeting were approved. Willard N. Brensinger Jr. made a motion, Charles H. Seibert seconded and the Board approved.

Treasurer's Report: W. Murray

Balance, 14 Aug 2013	\$ 4,187.29
Income	6,555.00
Disbursements	<u>1,989.04</u>
Cash on Hand, 13 Nov 2013	\$ 8,753.25
Cash in Savings, 13 Nov 2013	<u>4,677.73</u>
Total Cash in the Bank	<u>\$ 13,430.98</u>

The reserves for the Color Guard Fund (\$634.71) and Youth Activities Fund (\$845.95) are included in the cash on hand total.

The Treasurer Report was approved and filed for Audit.

Genealogist Report: E. Troutman

New Members:

Stephen Edward Crook
Wayne Patrick Faust
William Arthur Lambertson

Ancestor:

Joseph Crook, II
Paul Barlet
Levi Lambertson

Supplementals Approved:

Willam N. Brensinger Jr.
David C. Brock
Charles H. Seibert

Ancestor:

Frederick Hausman
George Baker & Richard Merrifield
Adam Kalbach, Peter Klopp, William/Wilhelm Pott/
Bott, Christian Seibert, Johannes Stein & Peter Stein
Johannes Dunckel, Johannes Hill, Johannes Lescher &
Johannes Sharff/Scharff

Applications at National Headquarters:

Blake M. Hozak
John D. Mauser Jr.
William A. Nagle
George H. Siegel
George M. Siegel
George A. Siegel
Dylan M. Siegel

Supplemental Application submitted to National Headquarters:

Willard N. Brensinger Jr.

Our Chapter currently has 121 members and 3 dual members. E. Troutman is currently working with 25 prospective members. The costs for Supplemental Applications may go up to \$90.

District Deputy Report: E. Troutman

The next PASSAR meeting will be held on January 31st and February 1st in Lancaster, PA. The Annual Congress Meeting will be in July in North or South Carolina. We should bring the Trimble Trophy to the December Meeting so that members can see the trophy before we turn it over to the next Chapter.

Color Guard Report: W. Brensinger Jr.

To date, our Chapter has participated in 16 events during 2013. Willard noted that he will be stepping down as Color Guard Captain after this year due to health reasons.

- ❖ **Nov. 11** - Veteran's Day Ceremony in City Park, Veterans Grove, Reading at 11:00AM.
- ❖ **Nov. 17** - Flag Retirement Ceremony, 12:00 noon, Daniel Boone Homestead, Birdsboro.
- ❖ **Dec. 14** - Wreaths Across America ceremony, 12:00 noon, Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville.

CAR Report: Floyd N. Turner II

Floyd Turner II is looking to step down as editor of the Hiester Harold. Floyd has been in this role for 7 of the last 8 years. Each quarter Floyd sends out approximately 70 hard copies of the newsletter and emails it to approximately 50 members.

Eagle Scout Report: R. Wayne Murray

So far in 2013 we have attended forty Eagle Courts of Honor and have two additional ceremonies on our schedule. Certificates were sent to seven Eagle Scouts whose ceremonies we were unable to attend. The Program is experiencing declining interest. The number of scouts is remaining constant, however, we are being contacted less to participate. In 2012 we attended sixty ceremonies and sent certificates to seventeen scouts. For 2011 we attended fifty-nine ceremonies and sent certificates to twenty-one scouts. During 2010 we attended seventy-three ceremonies and sent certificates to twenty-seven scouts. The next scheduled event is on November the 24th at St. Joseph in Boyertown.

Veterans Report: C. Seibert

Christmas Outreach – Entails writing letters or sending care package to service members. The USO sends out care packages to service members and the Red Cross handles the Vets in hospitals.

Wayne noted that our Chapter currently has three active members serving on active duty and possibly two of them are deployed overseas. Those members are: David B. Goss, Zachary L. Railing and Alexander Hillegas. The deadline for sending packages overseas is either December 3rd or 4th. Floyd suggested donating \$25 towards a care package. Nevin made a motion to send three \$25 gift cards, Wayne seconded and the Board approved.

There is currently a program to recognize war veterans of World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

Old Business:

- ❖ The Annual Meeting will be at the Berkshire Country Club. The meal and the entertainment is included in the price.
- ❖ Certificates and Awards to be presented at Annual Meeting:
 - Veronica Seibert – Certificate of Appreciation
 - Robert Hillegas – Bronze Color Guard Medal

New Business:

- ❖ Dr. Brock will be the speaker at the March Meeting. We are currently looking at the possibility of holding the March Meeting at either Toscani or Green Valley Country Club.
- ❖ Our Chapter should begin to find a location where we are going to observe Allegiance Sunday. The State Website has a list that shows where the patriots are buried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 20:40.