

**Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1
November Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2023**

PRESENT: 14

Hugh Ferguson, President
John Loper, Secretary
Billy Mayo, Past President
Bill Adriance, Treasurer
Zachary Adriance
Clark Wright, Webmaster
David Zwahr, Registrar
Jon Zwahr, Photographer
Robert Cassat, Sr. (with two guests)
Ralph Stenzel, Jr.
Henry Trochesset
Albert Gonzales

CALL TO ORDER

President Hugh Ferguson called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. CDT.

INVOCATION and PLEDGES

President Hugh Ferguson opened the meeting with a prayer and led the Pledges to the United States flag, the Texas Flag and the SAR.

INTRODUCTIONS

LUNCH

PROGRAM

No new members were present to be sworn in.

AWARDS

Patriot Ralph Stenzel was presented his 10-year Membership Certificate.

Photographer Jon Zwahr was presented with the Texas Chapter Service Award Medal

The Bronze Roger Sherman Medal was presented to Webmaster Clark Wright, Registrar David Zwahr and Secretary John Loper

The Chapter Distinguished Service Medal and Military Service Award were presented to Past President Billy Mayo

SECRETAY'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and approved to approve the minutes from the October 2023 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

All accounts are doing well. The Chapter Account Balance is \$9,247.07 as of October 31, 2023.

STATUE REPORT

The Statue Account Balance is \$5,976.43 as of October 31, 2023.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Registrar David Zwahr reported:

Current Membership: 76

Current Active: 57

Active New Members: 14

Junior SAR Members: 8

Active Reinstated: 3

Dual Members: 1

Deaths: 1 (Bill Whatley)

Transferred In: 1 (Jay Creech)

Not-Paid Regular Members: 6

WEBMASTER REPORT

Webmaster Clark Wright reported that the website is up to date.

OLD BUSINESS

Fundraising - The Kroger's Community Rewards Program is now active, and all Compatriots are encouraged to visit <http://www.Kroger.com> . After logging into your account, search for Sons of the American Revolution.

We need to improve attendance and committee membership.

NEW BUSINESS – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Hugh Ferguson placed into nomination the following Officers for 2024 as recommended by the Executive Board:

- President – Past President Billy Mayo
- 1st Vice President – Treasurer Bill Adriance
- 2nd and 3rd Vice President (vacancies)
- Secretary – Secretary John Loper

- Robert Cassat Sr. – Treasurer (Past Treasurer Bill Adriance will maintain the Statue Account)
- Color Guard Commander Frank Steele – Color Guard Commander and 2nd Vice President
- Webmaster Clark Wright – Webmaster
- Registrar David Zwahr – Registrar
- Photographer Jon Zwahr – Photographer

A motion was made and seconded to approve this slate of Officers who will be sworn in at the December Chapter Meeting.

2023 CHAPTER CALENDAR

- 02 December – Chapter Meeting – Swearing in of Officers; Dickens on the Strand Parade, Texas Color Guard Event
- 15 December – The Lady Washington Chapter of the NSDAR Luncheon (possible Color Guard Event)
- 16 December at 11:00 a.m. CDT – Wreaths Across America in conjunction with the DAR at Lakeview Cemetery in Galveston, Color Guard Event.

For information and updates, please refer to the Bernardo de Galvez Web Page (www.bdgsar.org) or Facebook Group (Bernado de Galvez Chapter #1 SAR)

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded and approved by all.

RECESSIONAL

The Recessional was led by President Hugh Ferguson and recited by all Compatriots.

DISMISSAL

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. CDT.