



Sons of the American Revolution Fort Lauderdale Chapter

organized December 8, 1966



General Membership Meeting Minutes

11:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

Saturday, May 13, 2023

Outback Steakhouse

2725 S. University Drive, Davie, FL 33328

Attendance:

Members (18): Chuck Adams, President & Registrar/Genealogist; Steve De Paul, Vice President; Pete Stevenson, Acting Secretary; Joe Motes, Treasurer & Historian/Editor; Tim McLane, Acting Chaplain; Robert C. Bowling; R. Collier Bowling Jr; Tom Carpenter Jr; Paul DeBold; Ted Duay; Martin Hollick; Rick Kidder Jr; Allen Manning; Scott Moore; Barry Moss; Tom Shepherd; Kevin Shurte; and Michael Spear. **Prospective Members / Guests (9):** Jim McHugh, Prospect; Lincoln Pero, Prospect; Ronna Adams; Michele Manning; Serena Mesa; Katy Peterson, C.A.R.; Kyle Peterson, C.A.R.; Mary Margaret Langford, C.A.R.; and Colleen Langford C.A.R.

Call to Order and Introductions: Chuck Adams called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Opening Ceremonies: The **Invocation** was given by Tim McLane. Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the **Pledge of Allegiance** and the **SAR Pledge**.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Pete Stevenson and seconded by Steve De Paul to approve the meeting minutes of April 15, 2023. Unanimously approved.

Officer's and Committee Reports:

President & Registrar/Genealogist - Chuck Adams:

Genealogy & Membership: Chuck Adams recognized the presence of our recently approved newest member, Scott Moore. Others recently approved but not present are Cliff Dickinson, Ed Sisson and his sons John and Mathew. Our newest prospective applicant present is Jim McHugh. Not present is Gary Van Sciver. Also present is Lincoln Pero who will register and start the application process. Chuck stated that previously submitted supplemental applications include Martin Hollick and Kevin Shurte, and that he recently submitted his 9th. Also at NSSAR is the memorial application submitted by Michael Spear for his brother, Gene. Chuck also welcomed today's Compatriot inductees Robert C. Bowling & R. Collier Bowling Jr. He said that year to date our membership has increased from 59 to 72 with an additional transfer-in of Ronald Goodale pending SAR approval.

Upcoming Events: Chuck stated that he, along with Steve De Paul and Kevin Shurte, will attend the May 19-20, 2023, FLSSAR BOM, and that he will update the Chapter at our June 17th meeting. He stated that hotel registration is still open for July 13/15 – 20, 2023, 133rd National Congress. He expects that actual registration with NSSAR will be opened up shortly.

Newsletter & Member Profile: The May Newsletter has been circulated and posted. It includes the Member Profile of Ed Sisson who will be inducted later this year when he returns to Florida. It also includes a "Help Wanted" article. With Joe Motes planning a summer move to Jacksonville, the article outlines the duties of the several positions and responsibilities that he performs. Chuck asked if anyone is interested in assuming some of these duties to let him know.

Acting Secretary – Pete Stevenson: Pete reported in the absence of Mark Snider.

Executive Committee. The Executive Committee met on May 7, 2023, with all members present. After the acceptance of the resignation of Jim Lohmeyer from the position of Chaplin, the following action was taken in accord with Article IX, Paragraph (e) of the Chapter's Bylaws: **Motion** made by Chuck Adams and seconded by Tom Shepherd appointing Tim McLane to serve as Chaplin during the 2023 unexpired term of Jim Lohmeyer, subject to the final approval of the general membership at its scheduled meeting of May 13, 2023. Unanimously approved.

Veterans Support and US Stark Memorial Award Committee Report. Pete stated that Mark Snider attended the open house at Nininger Veterans' Nursing Home on Saturday, April 29, 2023. He met with the Activities Coordinator, Jill Rutenberg. He plans for the Chapter to sponsor a Donut Saturday on June 24th at 10:30 a.m. Mark will bring the recommended 3 dozen donuts and all are welcome to attend. It will be appreciated if you can supplement the donuts with baked goods such as cookies, brownies, or banana bread. He will remind everyone at the June 17th meeting. Pete said that at 9 a.m. on May 29, 2023, the City of Fort Lauderdale will hold a Memorial Day Ceremony at the Lauderdale Memorial Park Cemetery, 2001 SW 4th Ave, Fort Lauderdale. Pete stated that Mark is in Washington DC to attend the Operation Welcome being conducted from May 11 – 13, 2023, as part of the 50th Anniversary Commemoration of the Vietnam War. Mark is volunteering and collecting some information toward conducting an event for our qualifying members in the fall.

Vice President – Steve De Paul: Steve reported that the Fundraising and Charitable Giving Committee met earlier this year and came up with 3 – 4 organizations that were being considered for donations from the Chapter. One was selected and the others are still under consideration. He has suspended further review until the Chapter needs for funding the Color Guard and Veterans Support are sorted out at an upcoming Zoom meeting.

Treasurer & Historian/Editor: Joe reported that all year-to-date transactions are recorded on the provided Status of Fund Report. As of April 30, 2023, the rounded balance in the checking account is \$6,153 and it is \$1,348 in the savings account. Chapter funds invested in U.S. I-bonds, including accrued interest, is \$3,705. Trust Estate funds invested in U.S. I-bonds, including accrued interest, is \$16,811.

Youth Programs. Joe Motes reported on the various schools he has attended in awarding JROTC medals and certificates. He asked members that wished to attend upcoming ceremonies to let him know. Joe announced his plans to relocate to the Jacksonville area later this year and encouraged chapter members to volunteer and support the JROTC programs after he leaves.

Election of Succeeding Chapter Chaplin: Chuck Adams introduced a **Motion** electing Tim McLane to serve as 2023 Chapter Chaplin for the unexpired term of Jim Lohmeyer. The motion was made by Pete Stevenson and seconded by Tom Shepard. Unanimously approved.

Report on C.A.R. Activities: Katy Peterson introduced her son Kyle Peterson as the newly elected President of the Swamp Fox Society C.A.R. Kyle Peterson reported on Swamp Fox activities over the past year and plans for the coming year. During 2023-24, the State and local societies will raise funds to support the Clearwater Marine Institute's research to save the endangered Right Whales. Kyle concluded by recognizing and thanking Joe Motes for his years of service to the Swamp Fox Society. Coleen Langford introduced herself as Immediate Past President. She stated that active non-collegiate society members are down to three and that they would welcome children and grandchildren from the Chapter to attend their meetings and join the

C.A.R. She outlined their meeting schedule and invited all Chapter members to consider attending.

Chuck Adams presented C.A.R representatives Kyle Peterson and Colleen Langton the Chapter's check for \$350 stating that it is the first of our two annual donations which will total \$700.

Induction of New Member Compatriots: Chuck Adams inducted Compatriots Robert C. Bowling and R. Collier Bowling Jr. Ted Duay explained the purpose of and presented the Rosette recognition label pin to both Compatriots.

Presentation of SAR Membership Award Certificates: Chuck Adams presented the SAR Membership Award Certificate and Pin to Allen Manning (25 years) and Ted Duay (20 years).

Presentation of Military Service & War Time Service Medals and Certificates: Chuck Adams presented a certificate and medal for wartime service to Compatriots: Thomas Carpenter Jr (U.S. Navy - Vietnam), Rick Kidder Jr (U.S. Navy – Iraq, Southwest Asia & Global War on Terrorism), and Tim McLane (U.S. Air Force – Saudi Arabia/Southwest Asia).

Old Business/ New Business/ Announcements (Next Meeting 06/17/2023).

Chuck Adams reported that the Color Guard Committee had a Zoom meeting on May 8, 2023, and are discussing preferred names for our Chapter Camp. The Color Guard will be officially formed on or after the May 19-20, 2023, BOM where we will get final instructions on requirements from the FLSSAR Color Guard Commander, Scott Breckinridge. Anyone not currently committed can still join by purchasing militia style attire.

Closing Ceremonies: The **Benediction** was given by Tim McLane. Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the **SAR Recessional**.

Adjournment: Chuck Adams adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.



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Report on C.A.R. Activities – Kyle and Katy Peterson

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**Presentation of Military War Time Service Medals and Certificates –
Tom Carpenter Jr, Rick Kidder Jr, and Tim McLane**

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Adjournment

PLEDGE OF THE SAR

We descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

RECESSIONAL OF THE SAR

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

**FORT LAUDERDALE CHAPTER
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BUDGET COMPARISON**

January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

	2022 ACTUAL	2023 BUDGET ORIGINAL	2023 BUDGET AMENDED	4/30/2023 ACTUAL
SOURCES OF FUNDS				
Year Beginning Checking Balance	5,985	5,469	5,469	5,469
INCOME				
New Applicant Dues & Fees	525	175	175	100
Chapter Member Dues & Fees	1,100	1,300	1,300	20
FLSSAR & NSSAR Dues & Fees	3,040	3,850	3,850	55
Chapter Member Donations	2,459	435	1,856	1,500
Corporate & Other Donations	-	2,000	2,500	3,000
FLSSAR Grant Reimbursements	1,696	2,250	2,250	-
CD or Bond Investment Proceeds	19,730	-	-	-
Subtotal - Income	<u>28,550</u>	<u>10,010</u>	<u>11,931</u>	<u>4,675</u>
Transfers-In from Savings	326	1,500	1,500	1,000
Total Sources	<u>34,860</u>	<u>16,979</u>	<u>18,900</u>	<u>11,144</u>
USES OF FUNDS				
EXPENSE				
Organizational Expense				
State & National Dues & Fees	5,390	3,695	3,695	110
Florida Annual Report	123	123	123	61
Bank Fees & Charges	12	73	73	73
Programs, Contributions & Charitable Giving				
Swamp Fox C.A.R.	1,200	700	700	-
Boy Scout Council & Troop Support	100	100	500	-
JRROTC High School Award Contribution	100	100	100	-
VAVS Contributions & Stark Program Expense	-	200	200	-
Wreaths Across America	150	150	150	-
FLSSAR Lady Auxiliary	-	100	100	-
SAR Foundation - Museum	-	1,000	1,776	1,776
Other Charitable Contributions	-	2,000	2,500	210
Operating Expense & Supplies				
SAR Medals, Certificates & Supplies	1,591	1,000	1,350	659
SAR Magazine Meeting Notice Ad	-	30	30	30
Postage & Delivery	36	50	50	-
Other Operating & Office Supplies	-	100	100	-
Lunch Program Compensated Meals	94	125	125	73
Website Hosting, Licensing & Apps	326	-	-	-
Subtotal Expense	<u>9,121</u>	<u>9,546</u>	<u>11,572</u>	<u>2,992</u>
Transfers-Out to Savings	20,269	2,000	2,000	2,000
Total Uses	<u>29,390</u>	<u>11,546</u>	<u>13,572</u>	<u>4,992</u>
Year Ending Checking Balance	<u>5,469</u>	<u>5,434</u>	<u>5,329</u>	<u>6,153</u>
Savings account opening balances				
Deposits & Interest	20,250	10,346	10,346	10,346
Deposits & Interest	3	1	3	2
Disbursement (I-Bond Purchases)	(9,600)	(9,500)	(10,000)	(10,000)
Net Transfers from / (to) checking	(307)	2,000	500	1,000
Year Ending Savings Balance	<u>10,346</u>	<u>2,847</u>	<u>849</u>	<u>1,348</u>
Investments in U.S. Treasury I-Bonds				
Chapter I-Bond Principle Purchases	3,000	500	500	500
Chapter Accrued Interest: \$205.20				
Chapter Cumulative Balance: \$3,705.20				
Trust Estate I-Bond Principle Purchases	6,600	9,500	9,500	9,500
Trust Estate Accrued Interest: \$211.20				
Trust Estate Cumulative Balance: \$16,811.20				