



Towamencin Chapter, NSDAR
Daughters of the American Revolution
Lansdale, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting Minutes September 12, 2020

The regular June meeting was held electronically via Zoom.Us

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 AM by Regent, Samantha Freise.

Recording Secretary, Joan LaMonica, was absent, minutes were taken by Samantha Freise.

15 members, 4 perspective members, and 1 guest were welcomed by Samantha. The guest was Karen Fallows from Stitching Sisters.

A quorum was present.

Regent Samantha Freise led the opening ritual with The Pledge of Allegiance followed by the American's Creed presented by the Towamencin CAR through video.

The Community Service Award for Stitching Sisters was awarded by State and Chapter Chair Holly Hayick to Karen Fallows. Ms. Fallows shared a few words of gratitude.

Chaplain Marian Helinsky lead the memorial service for member Ethel Brannon. Scripture and remembrances were shared followed by prayer. A copy of the service has been added as a supplement to the minutes.

Regent Report:

Regent, Samantha Freise updated the chapter on upcoming events and projects. The following were discussed:

- 100TH Anniversary of Women's Suffrage and the Justice Bell Send off was attended by the Regent, Treasurer, and CAR President.
- Fall Meeting is virtual this year through zoom. Registration is \$10 and due September 14, 2020.
- The Project Patriot Committee sponsorship of the USS Nimitz was discussed. How to purchase items and shipping were discussed. Further information will be shared via email.
- Wreaths Across America will be December 19, 2020. The chapter will have a meeting beforehand to award the National Defense Committee Award.
- The chapter DAR Day of Service project cleaning tombstones at Wentz's United Church of Christ was discussed. The date of the event is October 24, 2020. Members are asked to bring buckets, soft brushes, or spray bottles.
- Constitution Day will be celebrated September 17, 2020 at the Montgomery County Courthouse with a ceremony and bell ringing.

Business:

Towamencin Society CAR President Emma Wassel presented the CAR National, State, and Society projects and activities.

June Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the June 13, 2020 meeting were approved with no corrections. A motion was made by Linda Donaldson to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Marian Helinsky. Motion was adopted with all in favor and no discussion.

Treasurer Report: Heather Wassel

- Beginning Balance (May 31, 2020) **\$2,222.53**
- Deposits and Credits **\$ 2790.50**
 - Donations (**\$ 867.50**) Sunshine Fund (\$255) State Regent's Project (\$54.50) Wreaths Across America (\$280) CAR (\$39.50) General Fund (\$229) Project Patriot (\$9.50) Dues (\$1,923)
- Checks and Debits \$1,254.29
 - State Dues (\$ 728)
 - DAR Magazine Advertisement (\$40)
 - Chapter Achievement Contributions (\$100)
 - Awards (\$140)
 - Postage and Supplies (\$10)
 - Administrative Expenses (\$236.29)
- Ending Balance (August 31, 2020) **\$3,758.74**

Treasurers report for September 2020 was filed for audit.

Approval of the 2020-2021 Budget:

The annual budget was presented by Heather Wassel. A motion was made by Carole Bishop to approve the annual budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Sue Johnston. A brief discussion occurred. Linda Donaldson reminded the chapter of the Literacy Committee Pajama and Book program. She asked for donations at this time and is not seeking a vote to use chapter funds at this time. The budget was voted all in favor.

Committee Report: American Heritage

Committee Chairs Joanne Shupe and Joanne Cowles asked for information to be shared about the American Heritage contest. The theme and due dates were shared. More information will come out in a chapter email.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33am by Regent Samantha Freise. Members and prospective members had some social time following the meeting. No program was given due to the amount of business during the regular meeting. The next meeting is on October 24, 2020. No meeting will take place on the second Saturday in October.

Meeting Minutes Recorded and Submitted by Regent Samantha Freise.

Date Approved:

Attendance:

Samantha Freise

Heather Wassel

Bonnie Marino

Carole Bishop

Meghan LaBadie

Marian Helinsky

Karen Reed

Sue Johnston

Holly Hayick

Dale Hoppe

Helen Swartz

Diane Hustead

Linda Donaldson

Guest: Karen Fallows, Stitching Sisters

Prospective members: Cathy Holnick, Linda Hoade, Margaret Briggs, Wilma Pengelly