

2022 Chapter President

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Hugh Ferguson

Historian

Steve Nicol

Sidney Sherman Chapter #2**Minutes**

November 15, 2022

The members of the Sidney Sherman Chapter #2, Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT) gathered at Kelley's Family Restaurant in Texas City before 6 PM on November 15 in the banquet room behind the cashier. At 6:06 PM President Ron Schoolcraft called the meeting to order. Vice-President Gene Wueste provided us with an opening prayer and followed it with pledges to the United States and Texas Flags.

Chapter Members attending: George and Larry Armstrong, Gordon Blocker, Yancey Arrington, Gordon Blocker, Robert Gindratt (Second Vice-President), Carl Hill, Michael Loomis, Steve Manis (Treasurer General and Knight of San Jacinto), Billy Mayo (Treasurer), Mike Mitchell, Robert Schnurizer, Ron Schoolcraft (President), Clark Wright (Secretary), Gene Wueste (First Vice-President). 15 Chapter members attended this meeting with a total of 21 in attendance.

Other SRT Members: Chester Barnes and Carl Hill

Honorary Members: Christy Erickson and Carol Mitchell

Additional Guest: Doryn Glenn

Introductions: President Schoolcraft then acknowledged: Steve Manis, Admiral, Knight of San Jacinto, and Treasurer General of the SRT.

Speaker: Doryn Glenn of the Galveston County District Clerk's Office explained the records held by the several courts which can be used to develop genealogical records. She made it clear that most of the time researchers have to contact several different clerks depending upon where the research leads. She encouraged us as researchers to reach out to the various clerks in that, for the most part, the clerks are sympathetic with researchers. Doryn indicated that most records are indexed by name and varied with the most information exists for recent court actions.

Reports: President Schoolcraft called for the Secretaries Report. Clark Wright moved to approve the minutes as installed online. Larry Armstrong seconded the motion which was approved without dissent. Billy Mayo reported that the chapter has just over \$4,200 in the chapter checking account. This includes the money from the raffle which Albert Gonzales won. Albert gave the tickets to his sister because he planned to attend a ceremony in Seguin. President Schoolcraft reminded us that there will be a district meeting on December 3. Steve

Business: President Schoolcraft announced that Hugh Ferguson will not be able to perform the duties of chaplain, in that he expects to be too active in the SAR Chapter. all of the current officers had agreed to stand for another year, with the exception of himself. Carl Hill has agreed to stand for Chapter President for 2023. The slate includes:

President: Carl Hill
Vice President: Gene Wueste
2nd. Vice President: Robert Gindratt
Secretary: Clark Wright
Treasurer: Billy Mayo
Historian: Steve Nicol
Quartermaster: Larry Armstrong

Ron then opened nominations, calling three times which corresponds the the Rules by Roberts, after which he closed the nominations. Ron called for a motion, and I so moved with Steve Nicol seconding. Ron called for approval with a robust response, and absolutely no dissension. The motion was approved by acclamation.

Upcoming: President Schoolcraft proposed Eron Tynes to be the newest Honorary Member of the Chapter. Clark Wright moved to make it so, Robert Gindratt seconded this motion, which passed by acclamation. Ron then discussed the Christmas Party. Jim Nonus has agreed to offer the venue at the Antique Pavilion located on the north-east corner of 23rd and Postoffice Streets (2222 Postoffice) with the same conditions as last year, so this meeting will most probably be held the afternoon (after 4:30 pm) December 13. Lastly President Schoolcraft turned the floor over to Andy Hall who indicated that several of our chapter members are active in the Texas Navy Association in the Charles Hawkins Squadron. The Squadron meets normally on the second Tuesday of the month at the Galveston Campus of Texas A&M. At 7:15 pm we assembled for the group photo. Thanks, Christy for taking the photos, but you are still one of our most stalwart members!

Prepared by Clark P. Wright, Secretary, **Preliminary**