ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Nationally Instituted October 22, 1875 Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930 Chapter Chartered April 15, 1967

Board Meeting January 14, 2017

The meeting was opened by President David Beall at. 2pm. Those in attendance included; John Ferris Jim Klingler, Jim Fosdyck, Kent Gregory, Jim Blauer, Richard Adams, Cole Zehnder, and Don Carlson.

The main topic for discussion was the Spring meeting. Jim Fosdyck has been making all the arrangements and has worked out a budget for the meeting. In 2015 for Kent's inauguration the budget was \$12,150. For Jim's this year it is \$13,050.

The lapel pins we are having made for the meeting were designed by Karl Jacobs of the Harbor Chapter and extras have been ordered as it is our 50th anniversary of being chartered by the National Society.

Jim Klingler will collect the money for the meeting. The President General and First Lady will have rooms compped. A letter of invite has gone out to all State Past Presidents and all past chapter Presidents.

Registration will begin at 4pm on Thursday afternoon. Friday we will have our first business session. Either there or at the Luncheon David will say a few words of welcome from the Orange County Chapter.

Rev. Lou Carlson will be the MC and he will conduct the Memorial Service as well. There will be an honor Guard for the Memorial Service.

Kent moved that we accept the proposed budget for the meeting. This was seconded by Cole. The motion passed.

For entertainment we will have our own Larry Wood recite the "Midnight Ride of Paul Revere". After Larry we will have the Los Angeles Fife and Drum. Following we will have George Washington come in and say a few words.

For Saturday's Banquet it will be suit, uniform or kilt.

The Friday dinner is on the registration form in red. It is optional.

John Ferris will write a welcome letter. John Dodd will contact the Mayor of Irvine with an invite to the meeting to bring greetings from the city.

As this is our chapter's 50th anniversary, John Ferris has made arrangements to have a special picnic at Mile Square Park in August and like our other picnics we will invite the other chapters and the local DAR chapters to join us for this celebration.

Compatriot Fosdyck will invite Louis Hewitt to attend as he is the last chartered member who is still with us.

Compatriot Fosdyck will have the meeting budget finalized for February.

Other items discussed included awards for youth, first responders and veterans. It is thought that we should do all the youth at one luncheon probably in May as they will still be in school and hopefully available to attend. Then in June have our First responders awards presented. This would include Police, Fire, EMT and if possible a heroism award if a deserving person or persons can be found to be worthy of it.

David Beall has reached out to the Nixon Library for a speaker for our March Meeting. Robert Richardson a Railroad historian will be our February speaker.

Jim Blauer showed off his SAR Pledge in calligraphy and it was suggested he sell them like the calendars and donate the money. With the Youth Awards we will pay for the youth and one parent.

Gus has sent in the Reconciliation report. He worked with Don Littlefield and Jim Faulkinbury to make sure it is current with the state. Check was mailed to cover our members.

It was noted that when donations are made to the chapter through PayPal we get docked for using them.

It was suggested that the emails in the reconciliation report be checked to make sure they are good. Both Gus and Jim Blauer have had several that have been kicked back.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 2:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted February 11, 2017

James F. Blauer Recording Secretary