



SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



FREEDOM CHAPTER

MAY 20, 2025 MINUTES

Call to Order: 6:30 PM

1st Vice President Sellards

Invocation Compatriot Lano

Compatriot Myers led the CG (Compatriots Miles, Kluth, Lano, and Jones) in the posting of the Colors.

Pledges

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag led by Compatriot Sellards

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag led by Compatriot Hayes

SAR Pledge led by Compatriot Sellards

Mission Statement led by Compatriot Sellards

Members Present – 19 Guests – 12

Recognition of Guests: Compatriot Hayes recognized himself as State Treasurer, District 7 VP and Past Chapter President Art Byram, Past Chapter President John Thompson, and DAR ladies present.

New Members: Scott Slough was inducted in absentia into the Freedom Chapter.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: Compatriot Kluth reported minutes from the April meeting were posted online to the Chapter's website. Compatriot Stuewe made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Compatriot Thompson, and approved as circulated.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Hayes reported a ending balance of \$11,370. Compatriot Myers made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Compatriot Byram, and approved as circulated.

Registrar's Report: Compatriot Huntington reported 7 applications approved since, January 1, 2025, and 10 applications in-progress.

Scouting Report: No report.

Youth Programs Report: No report.

Media/Newsletter Report: No report.

Video – The Capture of Fort Ticonderoga – 250th Anniversary.

PROGRAM: The program was the video.

AWARDS

Compatriots Sellards & Hayes

- Chapter Awards
 - Compatriot Aaron Kiker was presented the Military Service Medal and Certificate.
 - Compatriot Hamilton was presented a Certificate of Commendation for his service to the Youth Programs.
 - Compatriots Lano and Sellards were presented their Compatriot Grave Marking Certificates and bronze palms.

- Color Guard Awards
 - No Color Guard Awards.
- Service Awards
 - Compatriot Hayes was presented the DAR 250th Commemorative Medal by Cecily Kelly of the Coughatti Trace Chapter for his service and support.

OLD BUSINESS

- None discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2026 SAR State Annual Convention has been moved to Austin to coincide with the Texas SAR Monument Project dedication, located at the Texas State Cemetery, next year.
- 2027 SAR State Annual Convention should be back to its regular rotation with likely the Freedom Chapter hosting the event.

ANCESTOR ROLL CALL: No roll call.

This Day in History – No *This Day in History* given.

Benediction – Compatriot Lano.

SAR Closing/Adjourn: 1st Vice President Sellards, 7:25 PM... 'till we meet again'.

Sons of the American Revolution Mission Statement

'The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War Patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations, about the founding principles of our Country.'