

# The Sons of the Republic of Texas



## **Minutes for December 2, 2017 Meeting of the Ephraim M. Daggett Chapter #36 of the Sons of the Republic of Texas (unofficial)**

### **Subject to approval at the meeting of February 3, 2018**

President John Williams called the regular meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Chaplain Roger Tate led the invocation; the pledges to the American and Texas flags were made.

There were no reports of deceased members; the organization received word that one new member, Joseph Dean Stephens of Merkel, was added to the club roster (Member #10481, October 6, 2017).

The club members who had birthdays and anniversaries since the last meeting. There were 25 members and guests present at the meeting, including: Doug Whitley, a prospective new member and his wife, Sherry; Oscar Vera; and Taylor and Suzanne Sharpe, son and wife of Chapter Member D.A. Sharpe.

Program Chair Dexter Gatlin introduced the club's Vice President D.A. Sharpe. He presented a program titled "Building and Autobiography," on how to use technology and the Internet to create a living document of family history and relatives. Sharpe has put together thousands of electronic pages in a book chronicling his lineage.

<http://www.dasharpe.com/Autobiography/YourLegacy.html>

Ancestor Roll Call was held.

Officer reports were given.

Secretary Jay Arrington presented the minutes from the previous meeting of October 7, 2017. A motion was made by Gerry Geiger and seconded by Sharpe to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed.

Treasurer Don Goodman presented the Treasurer's Report. The club's bank balance as of Nov. 30, 2017 was \$5,030.33. Dr. Christopher Hull moved to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Vaughn Oliver. The motion passed.

There was no old business.

In new business, the 2018 Officer Nomination Committee presented its slate of officers for 2018. The slate included:

John Williams, president  
D.A. Sharpe, vice president  
Jay Arrington, secretary  
Don Goodman, treasurer  
Roger Tate, chaplain  
Chris Hull, sergeant at arms  
Dexter Gatlin, program chair  
Gerry Geiger, historian

The Chapter Bylaws provide in Article VIII that when annual election of officers is later than ordinarily specified (October meeting), the installation shall be at the conclusion of whatever later meeting takes place at which the election is done. Such variation from procedure was used at this meeting.

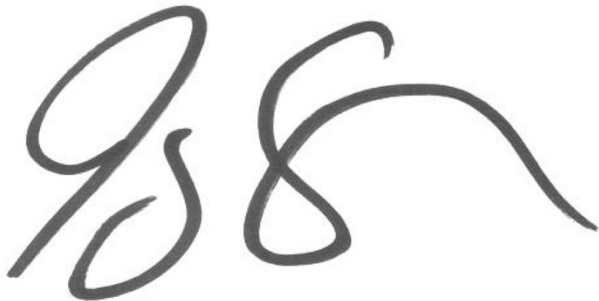
Hearing no nominations from the floor, Sam Akins moved to accept the slate of officers. A second was made by Vaughn Oliver. The slate of officers was accepted by the club. The installation of the 2018 officers was conducted by Chapter former officer, Ben Milam.

Geiger reported on his activity at the Massing of the Colors at First Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth on Nov. 12.

Tate closed the meeting with a benediction.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'JA', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Jay Arrington, Secretary