



Withlacoochee Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution

February 23, 2024

Executive Board Meeting

The EBM was called order by President Hohman via Teams meeting at 7 PM.

The President discussed combining the 21 committees we have into 4 committees. The committees would be **Education and Youth, Veterans and Military, Chapter Outreach and Membership and Growth**. A general discussion was held on the concept. We would need several members on each committee with one person as the Chair. President to make the appointments.

The next discussion was on the geographical parts of the two counties we cover and expanding our efforts to Pasco County. Several committee chairs were discussed and Pres. Hohman to make final selections.

Pres Hohman discussed membership and getting into the Brookridge Community. The pocket constitution and costs were then discussed. Hillsdale College will provide them for \$460 for 1000 copies. Handing out copies selectively at the Blueberry Fest will keep our expenses down. Donations were discussed to keep our expenses down.

Getting a calendar for the year of events was discussed. Pres. Hohman discussed the trailer for parade events and making it more user friendly. We then discussed the Honor Guard and Color Guard situation. We would need 9 members for the Honor Guard and 5 members for the Color Guard.

Our planned reenactment was discussed and whether to have it in 2025 or 2026 as well as where to have it at. There was considerable discussion on both topics. Pres. Hohman will reach out to the Boy scout Camp on Cortez as to availability and other details. Having a reenactment at Chinsegut is not advisable because of the difficulty of traffic, parking, access etc. to a very constricted area. Funding for this event was also discussed and using the GWEF is an option. The general agreement was to hold this event in 2026 as we do not have enough time to do this in 2025. There are too many things to be done such as bathrooms, security, vendors, tents to rent, parking, traffic etc. A committee will be set up to get this done.

We then discussed ROTC awards vs medals. We discussed having our own charitable fund for our chapter that would be a perpetual endowment. A finance committee was discussed.

President Hohman reminded attendees of the spring BOM meeting Kissimmee on May 17 and 18. He also reminded members of the National Congress in July in Lancaster, Pa. We then discussed having EBM meetings by Zoom in the future as well as in person meetings.



The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Minutes taken by Secretary Thomas Bowen

Attendees: Steve Hohman, Nelson Peters, Richard Bailey, Tom Bowen, Mark Johnson, Stephen Burke