

# Minutes of the Third Quarter Chapter Meeting

## Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, SCSSAR

30 Sept 2016

The Meeting was called to order by President Dinkins at twelve o'clock noon, at the Marine Corps Air Station Officers Club. Compatriot Tommy Logan and President Claude lead the group with the invocation, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and Pledge to the SAR. Some nineteen members and eleven guests were in attendance, including guests from the Beaufort County Heritage Society, Colonial Dames XVII Century, DAR, and SCSSR.

President Dinkins then introduced the guests attending the meeting, and then called on Vice President Tom Mikel to introduce our Speaker, Dan Battle. Dan is an educator, a Historical Archeologist, and the founder of the Georgia American Revolutionary Preservation Alliance. Mr Battle gave a presentation on the battle of Port Royal Island, but from the perspective of his ongoing exploratory archeological work on what he believes is the actual battle site. Although the location of the actual battle will remain a guarded secret for a while, Mr. Battle and his archeological teams have identified precise locations of battle lines, canons, weapons used, and places where hand to hand combat took place. The goal of the exploration is to eventually preserve the battle site for the future, as a state or national park, for educational and historical purposes.

After a round of applause and question and answer period, Vice President Mikell presented the speaker with a certificate of appreciation from the Chapter.

President Dinkins then called Paul Griffin to the podium to be inducted as the Chapter's newest member. Having taken the proper oaths, Paul was welcomed by the chapter into its membership by a warm round of applause.

President Dinkins then presented the Veterans Service Corp certificate to Compatriot John Simpson and thanked him for his service.

President Claude then called on a vote for the approval of the minutes of the second quarter meeting, and the minutes were approved.

Under Old business, President Claude discussed the costs and options available for name tags, and asked for a show of hands from those who would favor the purchase of name tags for all members. A significant majority of those attending was in favor of obtaining the name tags. President Claude will send out more information by email, with the goal of having name tags for all by the Christmas meeting.

Compatriot Ivan Bennett expressed his appreciation for getting transferred to the Gov. Paul Hamilton chapter, a process that took only some five or six months. Ivan also handed out brochures and gave a short presentation about the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the Revolution, over which he will be President beginning tomorrow.

Compatriot Jody Henson handed out information about the Patriot Marker Dedication to be held on November 11, to honor Col. Isaac Hayne. President Dinkins encouraged all members to attend the ceremony in Jacksonboro, only a few miles from Beaufort.

President Dinkins reminded the Chapter that the State meeting will be held in Beaufort in April of 2017, and asked everyone to volunteer to help, as our Chapter will be hosting the event, which may draw a crowd of eighty to a hundred SAR members, wives, and guests.

The Next Chapter meeting will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup>, and it will be the annual formal Christmas gala at the Dataw Island Club.

Tommy Logan was called on to give the benediction, and then, there being no further business, President Claude gaveled the meeting closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Wilson, Secretary