

WESTERN RESERVE SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BOARD MEETING

October 7, 2025

Minutes

Present by Zoom : Smith, Kertes, Kittredge, Havlovic, Palo, Rezie, Ross, Stanley, Watkins.

Start time: noon

Stop time: 12:57 pm

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance: Smith.

Invocation: Ross.

Quorum: Stanley confirmed.

Minutes: On motion, August 5 Minutes approved.

President's remarks:

- Smith commended Ross for use of the Guardians game picture for our website. Smith delivered the remainder of his remarks in New Business.

First Vice President's remarks:

- Havlovic reported:
 - In August the family picnic, with some 30 people in attendance, including several prospective members, was a success. He recommended doing the same again next year.
 - The September First Thursday took place at the Chagrin Valley Athletic Club where the cuisine took the prize. The October First Thursday took place in Rocky River.
 - He is working on a speaker for George Washington's Birthday. Alan Crawford wrote *Fierce People, the Revolutionary War in the South*. There might be a question of the amount of honorarium which may need to be discussed with the Board.
 - He passed around a draft Patriot map of battles/units of our members. There is a computer or Spectrum problem distributing it to our members.
 - Thanks to Ross for his hard work helping with the Veterans Day event.

Treasurer's Report:

- Horner will submit his report later.

Registrar's Report:

- Rezie reported that he has started the dues notification process.

Veterans Committee:

- Ross reported that the upcoming Veterans Day luncheon notices are in the mail. He is expecting DAR members, two sea cadets, a table of JROTC, and the Ohio state SAR president. Lee Wilkinson, heading up the effort for the 2028 National Congress in Ohio, will attend and give an update on preparations for the congress. Ross suggested we make a contribution to the congress effort while the state president is here. On motion, \$1776 was

approved as a contribution towards the 2028 National Congress to be presented at the Veterans Day luncheon.

Consolidated Funds:

- Watkins reported the current figure of \$723,395, up from \$703,987 on August 30.

New Business:

- Smith discussed grants from the Pomeroy Foundation: plaques, grave markers.
- Smith asked the Board to consider, for future discussion, the attendance and cadence of Board meetings.

Old Business:

- Smith reminded to send in reservations for the Veterans Day luncheon.
- The Annual Meeting will take place on December 13, 2025, at the Cleveland Yachting Club.

Benediction: Ross.