

**STEPHENS COUNTY HONOR GUARD  
MINUTES FOR May 25, 2017**

Prior to the meeting called to order, the business of the proposed revised Bylaws (presented April 27, 2017) was discussed after Rick Duncan motioned to approve them; Johnny Seeley seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Dan Mitchell at 1912 hrs at the American Legion Hall, Comanche, OK. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag recited. Invocation was given by Chaplain Butch Swanson.

Attendance. Officers: Dan Mitchell, Commander, Johnny Seely, Vice Commander, Danny Johnson, Armorer, (Garry McCain, Secretary/Treasurer, absent); Members: John Williams, Duke Goddard, Gary Stinson, Chuck Standridge, George Parker, Rick Duncan, Ken Youngblood, Butch Swanson, and Kathryn Cripps. Quorum achieved: 3 officers, 9 members, 12 Total. Auxiliaries: Mary Williams, Cheryl Swanson, and Pat Johnson. Kathryn served as Secretary.

No new members were presented. Charles Robinson was introduced as John's guest.

Minutes from April 2017 meeting were accepted. General Account financial report from December 2016 – January 2017 was accepted; no change in Charity Account.

Report of Officers:

Commander's Report:

- Garry McCain updated the unit website, [www.theschg.com](http://www.theschg.com). Minutes are now posted on it. Videos are also posted. Dan invited everyone to enjoy the fine job Garry has done.
- Dan succeeded in selling our spent brass. He had 4 ammo cans for sale; members quickly bought them.
- Dan discussed blank ammo.
- Water was found in the storage room on the floor. All of our equipment was undamaged and safely secured above. Dan will talk to the Justice Center personnel.
- Events coming up:
  - May 27<sup>th</sup>, Abe Raisen Park, baseball tournament flag raising detail. Five people have already been chosen.
  - Memorial Day Services: Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>
    - Comanche Fairlawn Cemetery, be there at 1000 hrs
    - Duncan Joint Service, be there at 1130 hrs
    - Rush Springs Cemetery, be there at 1400 hrs
  - Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, Ft Sill National Cemetery, Elgin; be there at 1230 hrs.
- Dan announced that the Duncan VFW is holding a Veteran Appreciation Dinner on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 1200 hrs.
- Cotton Electric generously donated money to the SCHG for equipment and expenses.

Vice Commander's Report: Johnny discussed upcoming raffle events: June 10<sup>th</sup>, Marlow car show; May 26<sup>th</sup>, Duncan Walmart; June 22 – 24<sup>th</sup>, Duncan Lions Rodeo.

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Armorer's Report: Because of corrosion problems, the rifle chambers are being kept empty. Remember to ratchet a round into the chamber before the service starts.

No Speakers

Old Business:

- Ken announced that Walters will allow us to set up a raffle ticket booth during their rodeo on July 13 – 15.

New Business:

- Butch motioned to use donation money from Cotton Electric to purchase a new white shirt for each active member; Rick seconded the motion. After discussion, Rick motioned to amend the motion to include all appropriate patches and sewing services; Danny seconded. Gary said that he could get a discounted price through Clothing Sales at Ft Sill. The motion and amendment both carried by majority.
- Duke motioned to change head gear for the SCHG during services; Chuck seconded. After discussion, the motion failed by majority.
- Kathryn motioned that we aid the VFW's Veterans Appreciation Dinner by donating \$200; Ken seconded the motion. Discussion included the possibility of setting up raffle ticket sales table; members agreed to wear our unit polo shirts. The motion passed unanimously.

Good and Welfare

- Keep our members and their loved ones in our prayers, especially:
  - Rick thanked everyone for their support and donation in memory of his mother.
  - Kathryn's husband is having another eye pressure surgery.
  - Dow Lynn Pannell's funeral service was today at Ray of Hope Church; he was the assistant pastor of the church and served on the school board for 22 years.
  - Pray for the family of the 12-year-old boy killed in Marlow.
  - Johnny announced that his 2-year-old grandson with brain problems is having fewer seizures
- Gary suggested that we have a unit picnic with families. He discussed the Waurika Lake facility.
- Next regular meeting is **June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

Benediction and Adjournment: Chaplain Butch offered the benediction. Butch motioned to adjourn the meeting; Ken seconded. Vote was unanimous. Meeting was adjourned at 2005 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Cripps  
Acting Secretary

Approved/Corrected