

MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2012

The William Joel Bryan Chapter #14 – Bryan of the Sons of the Republic of Texas held our seventh meeting in 2012 on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 11:30 AM at C&J BBQ in Bryan, Texas. Attending were nineteen members, District Rep. Bob Schuhmann and three special guests: David Hanover, KSJ and SRT President General, Mary Kathryn Briggs, Past President General-Daughters of the Republic of Texas and Anna Kellett, President, Bryan Robert Henry Chapter of DRT. The meeting started with an Invocation by President Nelson followed by the Pledges to the US and Texas Flags led by VP John Hicks.

Following lunch, Chapter President George Nelson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone and introduced our guests followed by a call for an Honor Roll.

Business matters were then addressed. President Nelson impressed on the members that dues are now due and encouraged everyone to pay them NOW. President Nelson then asked for approval of the November minutes. Motion to approve by John Hicks and seconded by Oren Swearingen was unanimously approved.

Secretary Peters was then asked to give updates on the two active projects. First, the Richardson Perry centopath scheduled for unveiling in Steep Hollow Cemetery in March 2012. The stone is expected to arrive in town in late December and the message etched in late January. Due to the change in marker type to granite rather than cast the cost has increased to \$2,850. To date we are \$1,210 short of full funding. The second project is the Turner-Peters Dogtrot Log House proposed for relocation to the Boonville Heritage Park area adjacent to Boonville Cemetery. A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 13 with TMPA and the Texas Historical Commission to move the process of THC approval along. TMPA is in full agreement and cost estimates are coming along that appear within manageable ranges.

New member Herb Curry was presented to the chapter and presented his membership certificate. President General David Hanover and Chapter President George Nelson administered the oath and welcomed Herb as a new member of the chapter.

All business matters being covered, President Nelson introduced the day's program and speaker, member Charles P. Briggs, III, KSJ, PPG and his topic was his ancestor, Ann Harvey Briggs, a notable woman in Robertson County, Texas history and a survivor of the infamous "Harvey Massacre".

Following some Q&A and discussion of various aspects of the program, PG David Hanover was asked to share a few thoughts with the members regarding the Sons of the Republic of Texas. These remarks concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM following a benediction by President Nelson.

Respectfully submitted, Mervin Peters, Secretary (1/15/2013)