

Order of the Founders of North America – 1492-1692
The Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky
February 27, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Grand Viscount General Stephen Renouf at 4:15 p.m. Members present included: Grand Viscount General Stephen Renouf, Abogado General John Dodd, Exchequer General Jim Jones, Marechal General Larry Stevens, Quartermaster General Matthew Barlow, Martha Barnhart, James Fosdyck, George Jones, Ann Patten, John Thornhill, Jo Thornhill, and Dan Woodruff. Guests present included Kristin Jones and Joe McMullen. A quorum was declared.

The minutes from the September 25, 2015 meeting were not available for approval.

Exchequer General Jones reported that our finances were in the black.

Quartermaster General Barlow reported that we have 2 large sashes, 2 small sashes, 3 large insignia, 5 mini insignia, 3 charms and many patches. We have no neck ribbons. Abogado General Dodd made a motion (seconded by Woodruff) to have the merchandise committee (Jones, Barlow & Ratcliff) determine the appropriate amount of merchandise to restock, which was approved unanimously.

The essay contest was discussed. It was suggested to check with Chronicler General Valerie Laskowski to see if the website section on the essay contest is optimized for search engine results on scholarships. If not, can we do this? Jo Thornhill suggested doing something other than an essay contest – such as a picture or video contest. Students seem to have little interest in essay contests. If we continue to have problems getting contestants, we can look into this.

Abogado General Dodd made a motion (seconded by John Thornhill) to send an e-mail to all members to inform them of the essay contest in case they have any family members interested, which passed unanimously.

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Barbara Stevens
Secretary General.