

Daughters of the Republic of Texas

Cradle Committee

Minutes – January 14, 2016

**Members Present:** Linda Cooper, Chairman, Gwen Lejsal, Linda McBee, Karen Robertson, Jo Ann Russell, Teddy St. Ama, Joanna Wilson. Approved Absence: Jimmie Bennett, Lila Peterson, Diane Reynolds.

The meeting was conducted by Chair, Linda Cooper, which began at 1 P.M. following lunch at Landry's Restaurant. Joanna Wilson led the group with the Lord's Prayer. Pledges to the American and Texas flags were led by Teddy St. Ama.

**Minutes:** The minutes from October 22, 2015 were read and approved as corrected by adding Joanna Wilson to members present.

**Business:** Following discussion on the Library Defense Fund and the upcoming court date, a motion was made by Teddy St. Ama with a second by Gwen Lejsal to send \$1000. **Motion passed.**

Chairman Cooper read her report to the BOM which she attended November 14. She also reported on her recent meeting with Mr. Ray Simpson of Simpson Antiques in Houston. She and Diane Reynolds had met with him in December as he reviewed the contents of the Cradle for an appraisal. She read the values of the items listed in his report and will mail copies to the committee for their files. Jimmie Bennett submitted a report on some of the documents hanging on the walls and how to make copies. Discussion was postponed until the next meeting when she would be present.

Upcoming Cradle tours will be: Wednesday, January 20 – 10:30 A.M. - Texas City/La Marque Hi! Neighbor Club; Saturday, March 12 – 10 A.M. – Blue Bonnet Chapter; Thursday, May 19 –10:00 A.M. – Seth Hurin Bates Chapter. Joanna's housekeeper will clean the Cradle on Monday, January 18 for a fee of \$75. The next quarterly Cradle Committee will be Thursday, April 14 at 1 P.M. to take inventory. Lunch will be at 11:30 at Blvd. Seafood, 2800 Seawall Blvd. The July 14 meeting will be held at Bubba's Shrimp Palace on I-45 in League City at 11:30 A.M. The October 13 meeting is scheduled at The Cradle at 1 P.M. Lunch at 11:30 -TBA.

Financials were reviewed and copies were sent to the Treasurer General. The Committee thanks the following chapters and individuals for their donations since October 30: Miss Ima Hogg \$150, Robert Henry \$75, Llano Pioneers \$25, Picketville \$50, President Houston \$10, Seth Hurin Bates \$75, Palo Duro \$210, Fort Houston \$122, Van Zandt \$50, and Dianne Reynolds \$250. Receipts October through December 15 totaled \$1546. The meeting adjourned at 3 P.M.

Joanna Wilson, Acting Secretary

Linda Johnson Cooper, Chairman

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