

AMITE COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the June 11, 2016 meeting
Approved by vote of members attending the September 10, 2016 meeting

President Dawn Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:19 am in the meeting room of the Liberty library. There were 9 members attending. Greg Barron gave the invocation.

President Report:

- The society had a good day on Heritage Day.
- The Bethany book compiled by Frances Phares has been reprinted.

Vice President Report: VP Barron reported the following field trip and event plans:

- Arrangements have been made for interested members to visit the Hughes house following the meeting.
- In the fall, the society will visit a slave cemetery on Greensburg Road; the slaves buried there are not documented and attempt will be made to see if any can be identified.
- On February 11, 2017, a field trip to visit the grave site of Colonel Thomas Hinds, Commander of Hinds Dragoons in the War of 1812 under which a number of Amite Countians served. The grave is in Jefferson County.
- On March 11, 2017, the society will take a bus trip (all day affair) to visit the Chalmette Battlefield area (War of 1812) where Hinds Dragoons fought the British. After lunch visits to Jackson Square and the St. Louis Cathedral are planned.
- In December 2017, the society Open House will be held at the Amite County Courthouse. Plans are being made to have a ceremony officially dedicating a historical monument to the Amite Countians who participated in the War of 1812.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Gay Blalock gave the Treasurer's report. The current account balance for the society is \$11,497.27. It was unclear who made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report and who seconded. The motion carried.

The draft minutes of the brief May 7, 2016, meeting were taken up. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Greg Barron and seconded by Gay Blalock. The motion carried.

COMMITTEES: The Little Red Schoolhouse had one visitor, a Mrs. Robinson, who was interested in Black History.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Other Business: None

Announcements:

- Gay Blalock acknowledged the donation to the society of framed copy on the Constitution dating to the 1940s.
- The SCV Camp in Crystal Springs will be putting on a living history exhibition at the McRaven House in Vicksburg on June 25.

The meeting was paused while the annual election of officers (counting of ballots) could be completed. A total of 59 ballots were cast; all incumbents were returned to office for another year.

The meeting adjourned to the program at 11:35 am.