

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONGRESS  
DESCENDANTS of the SIGNERS of the  
DECLARATION of INDEPENDENCE, Inc.  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

I. Meeting of the Board of Governors

The meeting was called to order by President-General Pyne at the Independence National Historical Park on May 15, 1976.

The following members were present: Hope Middleton Wood, William Ward, Frederick Wallace Pyne, Natalie L. Densmore, Barbara M. Kalbfleisch, Percy Hamilton Goodsell, Jr., C. B. Axford and Gabrielle Maupin Bielenstein.

Secretary-General Wood read the minutes of the previous meeting which was approved.

Upon motion of Mrs. Wood, a resolution was passed empowering Mrs. Whitney, the newly elected Treasurer-General, to open the necessary accounts at the Southern Bank and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia.

Registrar-General Kalbfleisch read the current list of applicants for membership, all of which were approved.

President-General Pyne recommended three annual bulk mailing on September 1, January 10 and April 1 and that all dues billings and Board mailings should go first class. Upon motion of Mr. Axford it was approved that notice of the Annual Congress and report of the Nominating Committee should also go first class.

Governor for Pennsylvania, Mr. Ward reported that the Society will join the Sons of the Revolution for the annual ringing of the Liberty Bell July 4, 1976.

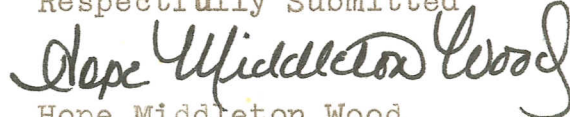
With the unanimous approval of the Board, President-General Pyne was authorized to create a Projects Committee to perpetuate the memories of individual Signers. All proposals in this regard will be brought to the Board for confirmation and funding.

Mrs. Kalbfleisch asked for and was granted Board approval for the expenditure of \$185.00 for 200 membership certificates.

After some discussion it was resolved that all material collected by the Genealogist for Mrs. John Chapple, to support her membership in the Society, shall be received by Mr. Goodsell and given by him to the Society's Genealogist and further that a final report by the Society's Genealogist shall be received and final action shall be taken by the Board at the October meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by President-General Pyne.

Respectfully Submitted



Hope Middleton Wood  
Secretary-General