

# Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



## Council of Administration Meeting November 19, 1995 Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Commander-in-Chief David R. Medert.

A motion was approved for the wearing of a Meritorious Service Star for Brother William Freck.

The Council approved a motion to provide each Department with five copies of the Camp Organizer's packet. Each packet to be replaced when it is returned completed.

The Council approved a motion to return any Camp Organizer's packet that is submitted on old and outdated forms as "invalid" once the new packets have been distributed.

The Council approved a motion to provide each new Camp-At-Large and each new Department with a copy of the Ritual and Ceremonials, and the Constitution and Regulations of the Order.

The Council approved the setup of the Order's Homepage as recommended by the National Communications and Technology Committee, and approved payment of a \$50 per month fee to the site manager.

The Council authorized the National Communications and Technology Committee to include the Constitution and Regulations of the Order on the Homepage.

The Council authorized the National Communications and Technology Committee to include the Banner on the Homepage without advertising.

The Council authorized the National Communications and Technology Committee to develop a program for selling Vanity Pages and Yellow Pages on the Homepage; such program to be presented at the March 19, 1996 Council of Administration meeting.

The Council authorized the Chairman of the National Headquarters Site Committee to send a letter to the Mayor of the City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania indicating the Order's agreement in principle with placing the National Headquarters of the SUVCW in the National Civil War Museum, subject to review and approval of the council of the City's proposed contractual agreement and inclusion of the SUVCW's square footage estimate requirements.

The Council authorized the Commander-in-Chief to inform the Department of Colorado and Wyoming and

the Department of Vermont that, as single Camp Departments, they do not meet the definition of a Department as contained within the Constitution and Regulations of the Order. They will be given until June 30, 1996 to meet such definition otherwise their Department Charters will be suspended and the Camps returned to Camp-At-Large status.

The Council authorized the National Camp and Department Organizer to assist the Department of Colorado and Wyoming and the Department of Vermont in their recruiting efforts. Up to \$500 of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's fund will be dedicated to this effort.

The Council referred the question regarding dual membership to the Program and Policy Committee for their review and report. The Council recommended the 1986 Department of Pennsylvania amendment regarding dual membership be brought to the floor of the 1996 National Encampment.

The Council referred the question of past rank initials to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations for a review and report.

The Council referred the issue of Collateral Descent to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations for them to bring it into line with the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution and Regulations of the Order.

The Council authorized the purchase of a copy of the Microsoft Publisher program for the Assistant Editor of the Banner.

The Council authorized the purchase of a laminating machine for use in laminating the Life Member Cards. Purchase not to exceed \$350.

The Council authorized the National Counselor to contact the attorney of record representing the City of Elgin, Illinois informing him that the National Organization is willing to consider signing over its interest in the property in question in exchange for the right to any artifacts relevant to the Allied Orders and a portion of the proceeds of any sale of the property.

The Council authorized the marketing of Civil War oriented videos from Video Post Productions of St. Louis, Missouri subject to the review and approval of the National Counselor. He will report the results of his review to the Commander-in-Chief.

The Council authorized that a letter be written to the Park Superintendent of the Gettysburg National Military Battlefield Park thanking him for his services during the recent Remembrance Day ceremonies. The Council also authorized a Certificate of Merit be issued to the Superintendent and a general certificate to his staff.

The Council authorized a \$500 donation to the Gettysburg National Military Battlefield Park for monument maintenance.

The Council directed that an article regarding the issue of National Park permit fees be run in the Banner.

The Council waved the \$5.00 membership fee for members of the Sons of Veterans Reserve who are not currently members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War who apply for membership before February 29, 1996.

The National Secretary acknowledged receipt of a set of rebound past proceedings from Brother J. Douglas Park.

The next Council of Administration meeting is scheduled for March 9, 1996 in Columbus, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

David F. Wallace  
National Secretary

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