

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Council of Administration Electronic Boardroom Vote Records 2006 - 2007



1. August 27, 2006

Council Member James Hanby moved that in order to comply with our Congressional Charter which requires that we publish proceedings annually regarding the activities of the Order, that the following measures be taken:

- a. That a electronic copy of the proceedings for 1998, 2003, 2004, and 2005 which have been printed but not placed on the web be forwarded at once to the National Webmaster for conversion to the proper PDF format and placed on the web. (Ken Freshley has confirmed he has the software needed and offered his help in converting them)
- b. That a determination be made as to whether a electronic copy of 1983, and 1986 exists and if so to forward them to the National Webmaster for conversion to PDF format and placed on the web. (These were printed but are not on the web, Brother Ed states he does not have anything from these two years) |
- c. That the remaining proceedings which have been neither printed nor published to the web be referred to a committee of two current members of the COA who shall determine what still needs to be done to complete them and will undertake to have them completed. This includes the following years: 1990, 1993, 1997, 1999, and 2002. PCINC Corfman has his materials from 1990, PCINC Atkinson's was sent to the National Secretary from 1993, PCINC Loomis should still have his from 1997, PCINC Johnson has his from 1999, PCINC Krieser has PCINC Powell's from 2002. However PCINC Harrison retained copies of his electronic files for 1990, 1993, 1997, 1999 and part of 2002 before returning the hard copies to the various PCINC's.

A second was offered by JVC-in-C David Medert

Votes in favor: 11

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: None

2. September 10, 2006

Secretary Bennett has submitted Minutes from the 8/10/06 Pre-Encampment COA Meeting in Harrisburg, PA for the review of the Council. Other than minor spelling corrections, and a valuable suggestion from PC-in-C Michaels concerning consistency of title and name usage - all of which have been accepted and incorporated into the final Minutes that, if approved, will be provided for publication in The Banner and on the website, no changes in content have been suggested. A motion was made by Past Commander-in-Chief Don Darby and seconded by Council Member James Hanby that the Minutes be approved.

Votes in favor: 9

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: One, cast by Secretary Michael S. Bennett, PDC

3. October 1, 2006

Secretary Bennett has submitted Minutes from the 8/13/06 Post-Encampment COA Meeting in Harrisburg, PA for the review of the Council. Other than minor spelling and/or grammatical corrections, no changes in content have been suggested. A motion was made by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief David Medert and seconded by Council Member James Hanby that the Minutes be approved.

Votes in favor: 9

Votes against: Council Members Leo Kennedy and Daniel Murray

Abstentions: One, cast by Secretary Michael S. Bennett, PDC

No Vote: Treasurer Max Newman

4. October 26, 2006

Upon learning that the Air Force JROTC would no longer permit our ROTC medal to be awarded to their members as the ribbon currently in use – the SUVCW membership badge ribbon – is the same ribbon being used for the Retired Officers Association Award, National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler moved that we replace the SUVCW membership badge ribbon on the ROTC medal with the Junior badge ribbon, which does not conflict with any of the 48 other awards in use by the Air Force ROTC. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dan Murray.

Votes in favor: 7

Votes against: 1

Abstentions: National QM Danny L. Wheeler, PCinC

No Vote: PCinC Darby and Council Member Schmincke

5. January 10, 2007

A motion has been made by JVCinC Dave Medert, and seconded by SVCinC Charles Kuhn, to lease an additional 385 square foot office adjacent to the 145 square foot office currently occupied by our Executive Director from the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, PA, giving up our lease of 50 square feet of "open space" currently used for storage.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: 1

No vote cast by: Council Member Eric Schmincke and PCinC Darby

Vote suspended by CinC Pahl on January 11 th until National Treasurer Max Newman be solicited for his input.

With the CinC unable to contact National Treasurer Newman, on January 15 th CinC Pahl authorized Executive Director Walters to proceed with pursuing this lease agreement for the additional space, \$750.00 per month for three years, the total lease amount to be paid in advance, less any credits for payments already made. Any such lease agreement would need to be reviewed and approved by our National Counselor and signed by the CinC.

6. March 4, 2007

A motion has been made by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn that the minutes of the 11/19/06 COA Meeting, having been prepared by National Secretary Michael Bennett with modifications suggested by Brother Kuhn, be approved. The motion was seconded by Council Member D. Brad Schall.

Votes in favor: 8

Abstention by: National Secretary Michael S. Bennett

No vote cast by: National QM Danny L. Wheeler or PCinC Darby

7. March 4, 2007

Council Member James Hanby moved that the Gen. Torbert Camp No. 1862 located in Milford, DE be permitted to conduct an election and installation of Camp Officers at a meeting on March 24, 2007. As elections held on that date would be outside the period permitted by the C&R, permission of the COA is required. Brother Hanby noted that this Camp has gone through difficult times, and even recently considered surrendering their Charter. After further discussion with the members of the Camp, Brothers were found that are willing to serve as Officers if duly elected. The motion was seconded by Council Member Leo Kennedy.

Votes in favor: 11

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: None

8. June 5, 2007

Having received no suggestions for amendments, Council Member D. Brad Schall moved, and Council Member Eric Schmincke seconded, that the Council of Administration Meeting Minutes from the 4/14/07 meeting in Springfield, IL, created and circulated by National Secretary Bennett, be approved as presented.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: Senior Vice Commander Kuhn and Junior Vice Commander Medert

No vote from National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler

9. June 24, 2007

From CinC Pahl:

Pursuant to National Regulations, Chapter V, Article VI, Section 17, I am requesting the National Council of Administration to support the charges and specifications and authorize me to proceed with Summary Discipline against a brother of the Order.

To support this request is merely authorizing the Commander-in-Chief to proceed with summary discipline, whereby I shall then publish a General Order - exercising summary discipline and suspend this brother in his relation to the Order. The National Regulations then call upon the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief to appoint a trial board, which proceeds with a hearing, finding of fact and if this brother is found guilty of the charges, the trial board decides upon the punishment.

I am asking the National Secretary to set up an appropriate section in the board room of the CofA and I am asking all voting members of the CofA to go to the board room and cast a vote, without debate.

Votes in favor: 9

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: Senior Vice Commander Kuhn and Junior Vice Commander Medert

No vote from Council Member Schall

Note: There are 11 voting members of the Council of Administration, plus the Commander-in-Chief who may vote, but usually only votes in the event of a tie. The other voting members are the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer, National

Quartermaster, Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief, and five elected Council Members.

Note: All dates provided for Electronic Boardroom votes represent the date the first vote was cast. The actual motion may have been a day or two before, and the remaining votes were likely cast in the days that followed.

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