

POST ENCAMPMENT COUNCIL MEETING

Gettysburg, Pa. August 2, 2026

MINUTES

- a) Call to Order - Commander in Chief - Daniel Murray
- b) Invocation – National Chaplain Gary Burke (Dexter Bishop)
- c) Pledge of Allegiance – Ben Frail
- d) Opening Comments – CinC Daniel Murray
- e) Roll Call of Officers – James Crane, National Secretary – All Present

Consent Agenda:

1. Discussion of the MOU – **ACTION** : Incoming CinC and PCinC to handle
2. Recommendation – That the Council of Administration retain exclusive authority to approve all official graphic representations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, including, but not limited to, the organization's official logos, seals, coat of arms, badges, emblems, headers, and other official identifying marks, and that once approved by the National Council of Administration, these official organizational graphics may be:
Incorporated into commemorative, educational, promotional, and patriotic artwork created by the National Organization, Department, Camps, or individual Brothers without requiring further approval by the national Council of Administration, provided that the official organizational graphics themselves are not altered, distorted, or modified, the graphics used in a respectful manner consistent with the purposes and principles of the Order, and the resulting artwork does not imply an official policy, endorsement, or position of the National Organization beyond the inclusion of the approved organizational graphic. **ACTION** : P&P Committee
3. Recommendation – The SUVCW approve up to \$5,000.00 for the marker for the Last True Son, Willam "Bill" Pool. The marker design will be furnished at the CofA Meeting. **ACTION** : The Encampment will pass the hat. Also, will apply to the Charitable Foundation for a Grant, and if short of funds, the SUVCW would finance the shortfall from the Contingency Fund.
4. Recommendation – The National Awards and Recognition Policy be updated to include the Good Citizenship Award. We currently sell the lapel pin and certificate through the National Quartermaster store, however there is no guidance on the Award. **ACTION** : New Policy Approved, Passed

5. Recommendation – while the Graves Registration Committee prefers to complete the system rewrite with the current developer, the Committee strongly recommends the following:
1. That a search be undertaken immediately to find an SUVCW Brother/Volunteer with the skills and dedication to complete the Graves Registration System update (should the current developer not be able to complete the project) and or maintain it in the future.
 2. That additional Funding be made available to vet and contact a freelance developer for all future maintenance of the system.
- ACTION** : Handled in a closed session of the Council

6. Recommendation – 1. A proposed budget for the National Special Committee on Social Media. We request a \$1,000.00 budget for the National Special Committee on Social Media for the purposes of Application Verification and Enhanced Livestream Capabilities. Verifying Application gives additional security protections, adds legitimization to pages, adds enhanced analytics: \$530.00. Meta before taxes and fees : \$336.00 for 12 months (requesting \$400.00 to accommodate for any taxes and fees) X, before taxes and fees:\$115.00 for 12 months (requesting \$130.00 to accommodate for any taxes and fees) Base model of Stream yard : \$470.00, additional security, given an additional streaming destination (from 2-3 applications can stream live feed) Will not have Stream Yard Logo on it, can be set up to have SUVCW logo on it. Can have 16 custom backgrounds. Live streams are recorded and saved.
- ACTION : Motion** made by PCinC Tucker to Approve \$1,000.00 on Recommendation by Ben Frail; 2nd by Brother Amsler, MTION PASSES.

Other Business:

Motion made by Treasurer Beard to approve up to an additional \$1,500.00 for A/V costs borne by the Host Committee for National Encampments. Host Committee still receives \$3,500.00. **Motion** : Passes.

Motion made by Brother Amsler to raise Encampment fee to \$30.00.

Substitute MOTION : Made by Brother Fraser for \$25.00. MOTION : PASSES. YES -8, NO – 3.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Crane, PDC
National Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

