

MINUTES

CENTRAL REGION CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 13, 2001
GLENVIEW, ILLINOIS

The Central Region Association Conference, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was opened at 1:17 P.M. in the meeting room at Hackney's Restaurant on the 13th day of October, 2001 by Central Region assoc. Conference Commander Kent Armstrong. Commander Kent then started introductions around the room. Everyone introduced themselves and their titles.

Roll call of officers was taken:

Commander	Kent L. Armstrong	Michigan	present
Senior Vice Commander	Russell Kirchner	Indiana	present
Junior Vice Commander	Margaret Grothe	Missouri	present
Secretary-Treasurer	Jack Grothe	Missouri	present
Patriotic Instructor	Stephen Michaels	Wisconsin	present
Chaplain	Ronald Gill	Indiana	present
Color Bearer	Nick Knap	Illinois	present
Guide	Daniel W. Hans	Illinois	present

Minutes were read. The motion to approve was made by Bob Petrovic and seconded by Dan Hans. Motion carried.

Committies were appointed as follows:

Nominating Committee	Resolutions Committee	Auditing Committee
Ron Aronis-chairman	Robert Grim-chairman	PNCC Ed Krieser-CH
Fred Murphy	Tom Crawford	Ronald Clark
Danielle Michaels	Daniel Hans	

Sickness and Distress

The death of PDC of Illinois Dennis D. Kelly was sadly noted. Get well card to Mrs. George Powell, wife of SUVCW Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell.

short recess taken at 2:00 pm.

Program presented by Stephen Michaels on The Committed Volunteer with four group seminar leaders.

short recess taken at 4:04 pm.

meeting resumed at 4:15 pm.

Commander Kent Armstrong thanked Stepehn Michaels for a fine program.

Treasurer's report was read and approved having been aduited by PCNC Edward Krieser and Ronald Clark.

Report on communications for past year given.

Award was presented to Stephen Michaels for a job well done.

Old Business:

Badge for CRC. Rules from National SUVCW on badges for CRC was read by PCnC SUVCW Edward J. Krieser. After lengthy discussion a report from the badge committee consisting of Chairman, Stephen A. Michaels, Russell Kirchner and Danielle Michaels, stated three design options from the Robert M. Erffmeyer & Son Co. was presented for consideration. Motion made by Robert Grim and seconded by Fred Murphy to adopt the three options on medals. Motion carried. Vote was taken on which of the three designs to accept. The design accepted was five sided, representing the five allied orders, with two hands shaking. The ribbon with the colors red, white and blue not necessarily in that order. Exact form to be determined later. Motion was made by Ron Aronis to accept this design with the medal in silver for past regional commanders. Danielle Michaels seconded. Motion passed. Medal cost from Robert M. Erffmeyer & Son. Die \$175.00, medals \$5.50 each. Motion by Robert Grim that the committee on badges be continued to work on the project. Seconded by Ron Aronis. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Auditing committee- Report by chairman PCnC Ed Krieser. Books audited and approved. Seconded by Daniel Hans. Motion carried.

Resolutions committee- Report by Robert Grim. No resolutions.

New Business:

Locations for future for CRA conferences

2002 - Missouri

2003 - Wisconsin, possibly

Discussion for letterhead for Central Region Association. the following was decided on

CENTRAL REGION ASSOCIATION
ALLIED ORDERS of the
GRAND ARMY of the REPUBLIC

with CRA badge in upper left corner and GAR badge in upper right corner.

Motion made by Robert Grim to accept and seconded by Daniel Hans. Motion carried.

Commander Kent L. Armstrong proposed the idea of an award for the preservation of Civil War Sites, Monuments , etc in the name of PDC of Illinois Dennis D. Kelly. Motion by Fred Murphy to form a committee to work out details of such an award and to report back next year. Seconded by Bob Petrovic. Motion carried.

Good of the Order:

Commander Kent L. Armstrong presented a certificate of appreciation to Stephen A. Michaels for his years of service as chairman of the steering committee in planning and presenting programs for the CRA.

Certificate of appreciation to Daniel W. Hans for his work to host the 2001 CRA conference.

Certificate of appreciation to Nick Kaup for his work to host the CRA conference.

Motion was made by Danielle Michaels to present \$100.00 to the Department of Illinois to use as they see fit for monument preservation or other projects. Seconded by PCnC Ed Krieser. Motion carried.

Report of Nominating committee:
Proposed Officers for 2001-2002

Commander	Russell Kirchner	Indiana
Senior Vice Commander	Tom Crawford	Indiana
Junior Vice Commander	Margaret Grothe	Missouri
Secretary-Treasurer	Jack Grothe	Missouri

The Patriotic Instructor, Guide, Chaplain and Color Bearer to be appointed by the CRA Commander.

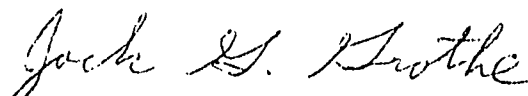
Motion made by Charlie Willman and seconded by Dan Hans, there being no further nominations, these members be the newly elected officers of the Central Region Association. Motion passed.

The installation of officers was conducted by Sr. Vice Commander SUVCW Robert E. Grim with the aid of Chaplin Ronald Gill and Guide PCnC Edward Krieser.

Commander Russell Kirchner closed the 65th annual meeting of the Central Region Association at 4:57pm.

Banquet and program to follow.

Respectfully submitted



Jack G. Grothe
Secretary-Treasurer