MINUTES

CENTRAL REGION CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 30,2000 VALPARAISO, INDIANA

The Central Region Conference, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was opened at 12:32 PM in the Casa Del Roma Conference Center on the 30th day of September 2000 by Central Region Conference Commander Ron Aronis. Ron then started introductions around the room. Everyone introduced themselves and titles.

Roll call of Officers was taken:

Commander Ron Aronis Wisconsin present
Senior Vice Commander Kent Armstrong Michigan present later
Junior Vice Commander Russell Kirchner Indiana present
Secretary-treasurer Jack Grothe Missouri present
Patriotic Instructor Stephen Michaels Wisconsin present
Chaplain Ronald Gill Indiana present
Color Bearer Virginia Temme Wisconsin present
Guide Gloria Murphy Wisconsin present

Minutes were read and amended with the following corrections changing the name from Bob Lowe to Bill Lowe. Then motion made by Fred Murphy and seconded by Danielle Michaels to accept the previous 1999 CRC minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read and approved subject to audit.

Commanders Report made and referred to proper committee.

Communication read, Thank you letter from Kerry K. Chartkoff "Save The Flags" for our \$100.00 donation toward preserving the Michigan Flags in the state collection. Referred to proper committee.

Unfinished business- none

Thelma Griffin from Munster, Indiana was inducted into Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War C.K. Pier Camp #4 of Wisconsin by Danielle Michaels, National Patriotic Instructor Aux. to the SUVCW.

Short recess taken.

After recess Conference Program 2000 was presented.

Session 1 - The Active Camp/ Br. Ron Aronis

Session 2 - Effective Planning: An Introduction/ Br. Steve Michaels

Session 3 - Activity Planning Exercise/Seminar Leaders

Session 4 - Exercise Conclusion/ Br. Steve Michaels

Break taken - proceeded with business meeting.

New business:

Discussion if all states in CRC SUVCW and Aux. SUVCW should be or are on the letterhead of the organization. It was discovered that they were on the present letterhead. A motion was made by Kent Armstrong and seconded by Danielle Michaels to make this offical. Motion passed.

Motion made by Danielle Michaels that we donate \$75.00 towards the preservation of materials of the Chaplain Brown Post #106 G.A.R., monies to be given to the David D. Porter Camp #116 SUVCW to oversee this project. Seconded by Steve Michaels. Motion carried.

Extensive discussion on a medal or device for recognition of past regional commanders. Motion by Bill Lowe to instruct the incoming commander to form a committee to look into a badge and device to represent the Central Region Conference and report next year. Motion seconded and passed.

Locations for future CRC conferences

2001 - Illinois, Chicago

2002 - Missouri, Possibly

2003 - Wisconsin, possibly

Dennis Kelly, Illinois Department Commander, SUVCW. handed out flyers for the 2001 CRC Conference at Chicago, Illinois Fall 2001

Committees were appointed as follows:

Nominating Committee Fred Murphy Merle Rudebush Danielle Michaels

Resolutions Committee Auditing Committee Bruce Butgereit Steve Michaels Russ Kirchner

Tom Crawford Kent Armstrong

Officers Report Committee Tom Crawford Gloria Murphy

Report of Nominating committee as follows Proposed Officers for 2000-2001

Commander Senior Vice Commander Junior Vice Commander Secretary/Treasurer

Kent E. Armstrong Russell Kirchner Margaret Grothe Jack G. Grothe

Michigan Indiana -Missouri Missouri

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

Motion made and seconded there being no further nominations these members be the newly elected officers of the Central Region Conference. Passed

Resolutions Committee Report:

- To commend the Department of Indiana, David D. Porter Camp #116 for hosting the 2000 CRC.
- To commend Brothers Ron Gill and Alan Loomis for their dedication and extra effort in planning and conducting the historical tour and meeting facility.
- 3. To commend the Valparaiso Holiday Inn Express and the Casa Del Roma for their hospitality and good service.
- 4. To commend the CRC officers for their efforts and a job well done and best wishes and support for success to the 2000 CRC officers.

Auditing Committee Report:

Questioned if all Departments had paid \$5.00 registration. The answer was no, not in the past, but members from Missouri and Nebraska Departments present paid for their departments. Due to change of State Department Commanders this information may have been displaced. Sec./treas. to try to correct problem. Treasurer's report was accepted by auditing committee.

Officers Report Committee:

Report read and approved.

The installation of officers ceremony was held by National Commander-in-Chief SUVCW Edward J. Krieser acting as installing officer.

Chaplin- Ronald Gill gives blessing of new officers.

Commander Kent Armstrong recognized the following members.

Stephen A. Michaels for the good work of the planning committee.

Ronald M. Aronis for his work as past commander.

Ron Gill, Alan Loomis and Russell Kirchner of the Indiana Department for their work on a successful CRC Conference.

Chaplin-Ronald Gill asks blessings on CRC work and members.

Commander Kent L. Armstrong closed the 64th annual meeting until our next meeting in 2001. Closing time 4:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Dack G. Grothe

Secretary/treasurer