



GENERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Post Reunion Minutes

Cartersville, Georgia

3:00 PM EDT; July 23, 2022

Approved September 27, 2022; Zoom Confererence

Call to Order: 2:00 PM EDT by Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers.

Opening Prayer: Past Commander-in-Chief Chuck McMichael

Pledge to U.S. Flag and Salute to Confederate Flag

Reading the Charge: Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples

Presentation of gifts to out-going Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. by Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers and Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill.

Roll Call: Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill

Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers	P	Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill	P
Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy	P	Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott D. Hall	P
ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone	P	Chief of Heritage Ops James Ronald (Ron) Kennedy	P
AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill	P	Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle	A
ATM Commander J. C. Hanna	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr.	P
ANV Councilman Kenny Ramsey	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr.	P
AOT Councilman Carl Jones	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Tom V. Strain, Jr.	A
ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret	P	Executive Director Adam T. Southern	P
Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples	P		

Basis for Quorum 15 voting members: Present: 14, Absent: 1; Required for Quorum: 8. Quorum is present

Note: Past CIC's are not obligated to attend GEC meetings and therefore, only if present shall they, or any one of them, be counted in the computation of a quorum. (Reference: Section 7.5.2 of the SCV Constitution). The quorum is based on the eligible voting members.

Non-voting member: Executive Director Adam T. Southern

First Item: Appointment of Staff Members - Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers appointed Darrell L. Maples as his Chief-of-Staff.

1. Nominated Scott D. Hall as Judge Advocate-in-Chief. ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone made a motion to approve the nomination. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. and the motion passed without objection.
2. Nominated Dan A. McCaskill as Adjutant-in-Chief. ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone made a motion to approve the nomination. The motion was seconded by ATM Commander J. C. Hanna and motion passed without objection.
3. Nominated James Ronald "Ron" Kennedy as Chief of Heritage Operations. Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy made a motion to approve the nomination. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. and the motion passed without objection.
4. Nominated Gary Carlyle as Chaplain-in-Chief. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to approve the nomination. The motion was seconded by AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill and the motion passed without objection.

Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers announced future General Executive Council Meetings will be the first Saturday in October and the first Saturday in March which puts the next two meetings on October 1, 2022 and March 4, 2023. For each meeting, there will be a Friday evening "Get Together" at the Museum for supper and socializing.

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Second Item: Press Officer Issue - Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers stated with the discussion at the Friday Business Session concerning a Press Officer, this is a position to seriously consider. The Commander asked the members of the General Executive Council to think on the position of a Press Officer and present their ideas at the upcoming GEC Meeting in October. Also, take a look the Public Affairs Manuel.

AOT Councilman Carl Jones pitch his ideas for a Press/Public Relations Officer. First, look inside the organization for a member with experience and willingness to perform in this position. Second option is to recruit someone fresh out of college who we could groom as a press officer in this position. Plus, you need an advertising campaign to bring in new members and bring back old members.

Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. made a motion to table the issue and take up the issue at the next General Executive Council Meeting in October. The motion was seconded by AOT Councilman Carl Jones and the motion passed without objection.

Third Item: Committees - Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers stated he is going to take a look at the Committees as listed in the Standing Orders to see which needed changes. He intends to put a list of Committees on the Dispatch asking for persons with experience willing to chair or serve on these Committees to make each Committee more productive. Commander Boshers is looking for an Economist who can study the economic impact the SCV has at different events across the nation. Also, Commander Boshers wants the Constitution Committee and the Judge Advocate-in-Chief to work together to make sure everything is done correctly in accordance with the Constitution and the Standing Orders and develop a procedure to be followed for the National Reunions.

Four Item: Pay Scale for Army Officers - AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill asked for clarification on the Expense Budget for Army Commander and Army Councilman. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill stated at a recent visit to Elm Springs he learned the budget for Commander went from \$3,500 to \$3,000 and for Councilman went up from \$2,500 to \$3,000. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill made a motion that the respective budgets go back to the original amounts of \$3,500 for Commander and \$2,500 for Councilman because the Commander does the bulk of the work. The motion was seconded by ATM Commander J. C. Hanna and passed without objection.

Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. took a moment of personal privilege to give the Council an update on the condition of his wife Lynda who is still hospitalized.

ATM Commander J. C. Hanna stated his concern that applications and dues to join the Headquarters' Camp were being processed and checks deposited without checking to ensure the applicant was qualified to join the SCV because he has been asked to find a Confederate Ancestor for an applicant by Membership Services. Executive Director Adam T. Southern stated the cashing of checks and processing applications has been the procedure ever since he became the Executive Director and he would work with Commander Hanna to correct anything that is being done in error.

Before going into Executive Session, Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy wanted to recognize Georgia Division Commander Tim Pilgrim and all the Georgia Division Members for their hard work for the National Reunion in Cartersville, Georgia.

Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers would entertain a motion for the General Executive Council to go into Executive Session allowing Executive Director Adam T. Southern to remain to discuss disciplinary and other sensitive items. At 3:48 PM EDT, Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. made said motion. Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

At 3:36 PM EDT, a motion was made by Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. for the General Executive Council to exit Executive Session. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret and the motion passed without objection. The General Executive Council discussed two disciplinary cases involving members and one item involving Elm Springs.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples, seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. and passed without objection. The meeting was closed at 3:37 pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dan A. McCaskill
Adjutant-in-Chief
Sons of Confederate Veterans