

Army of Trans-Mississippi Arkansas Division Executive Council Meeting Minutes



20 June, 2020

The Arkansas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans held its Spring Division Executive Council (DEC) meeting on June 20, 2020 at the AR Division 2020 Reunion held at Four Points by Sheraton, Bentonville, Arkansas.

- 1. The Colors were posted prior to the convening of the DEC.
- 2. Welcome by Loy Mauch, AR Division Commander, Pro Tempore. Opening words of encouraging words to the guess & compatriots.
- 3. Invocation by Robert Bowers Chaplain, Thomas C. Hindman, Camp 656.
- 4. Pledges to Flags by Compatriot Damon Hudson, Color Sgt.
- 5. Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans, not given.
- 6. The meeting was called to order by Commander Loy Mauch at 9:00.
- 7. Division Adjutant Roll Call & Reports by Adjutant Johnny McKenzie
 - a. Roll Call of the Camps by Johnny McKenzie, Arkansas Division Adjutant: 16 of 26 Camps had representatives in attendance which constituted a quorum. There were two distinguished guest: ATM Cmdr. Darrell Maples and ATM Councilman J.C. Hanna; two (2) honored guest: W. Michael Hurley (Texas Division) and Terry Phillips (Missouri Division); four (4) honored guest: Ms. Ann Rossi (UDC), Mrs. Patricia Pennebaker (UDC), Janet & Steve Lancaster (SMA); and four (4) visitors present. A total of thirty-three (33) Compatriots of the Arkansas Division were in attendance; six (6) Camp Commanders were present. The roll call was answered as follows: Members present -

*	Seven Generals #135	[Helena – CB]	1
*	Lt. General Nathan Bedford Forrest #194	[Forrest City – NE]	3
*	General Robert C. Newton #197	[Little Rock – CE]	3
**	3 rd Regiment Arkansas Infantry #246	[El Dorado – SB]	0
**	Private Job S. Neil #286	[Batesville- NE]	Ο
**	General Dandridge McRae #397	[Searcy – NE]	0
**	James H. Berry, #468	[Bentonville – NW]	2
*	General Richard M. Gano #561	[Fort Smith – NW]	2
*	Colonel Allen R. Witt #615	[Conway – CB]	Ο
*	David O. Dodd #619	[Benton – CB]	2
*	James M. Keller #648	[Hot Springs – CB]	1



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**	Captain John W. Randle #649	[Dardanelle – CB]	o
**	9 th Arkansas Infantry Regiment #652	[Star City – SB]	1
**	Thomas C. Hindman #656	[Prairie Grove – NW]	7
**	General J. O. Shelby #1414	[Harrison – NW]	1
**	General Patrick Cleburne #1433	[Pine Bluff – SB]	o
**	Major Fontaine Earle #1453	[Fayetteville – NW]	2
**	27 th Arkansas Infantry #1519	[Mountain Home – NW]	2
**	General Thomas Dockery #1577	[Magnolia – SB]	0
**	Lieutenant Elbert Steel #1623	[Lewisville – SB]	0
*	Colonel Robert G. Shaver #1655	[Jonesboro – NE]	2
*	Major John B. Burton #1664	[Fouke – SB]	0
**	Bonnie Blue #2070	[AR Division]	1
**	Polk County Invincibles #2264	[Mena – CB]	2
**	2 nd Lt. John Crawford Smith #2302	[Corning – NE]	o
**	Seaborn Jones Cotton #2303	[Eureka Springs – NW]	1

- b. Minutes from January 11, 2020 AR Division DEC and the May 2, 2020 Emergency DEC teleconference meeting were distributed prior to opening of the meeting motion to accept as presented, by PDC Danny Honnoll, 2nd by 1st Wayne Fuller; motion Passed.
- c. Financial Report Monies on hand as of 29-May-20

Southern Bancorp		Bank of America	
Scholarship	\$928.00	General Fund	\$ 3,575.59
General Fund	10,347.48	Heritage Defense	\$ 701.69
Pending		License Plate	\$ 3,770.42
		Monument Fund	\$ 5,178.26
Total	\$ 11,270.48	Total	\$ 13,225.96
	AR D	Division Grand Total	\$24,496.44



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Monies Distributed / Pending Deposited:

Distribution: Awards: ≈ \$800 (\$500 + \$300)

Pending deposit to AR Div General Account: \$168 (\$28 + \$148)

Net Balance for Southern Bancorp ≈ \$10,630

Motion to accept the Financial Report as presented was made by 1st Lt. Wayne Fuller, 2nd by Camp Chaplin Robert Bowers; motion Passed.

8. Reports

- a. Essay & Scholarship Committee Dan Ford Not Present, report made by PDC Wilson, winner was Thomas Lawhorn presented by X Camp x. Five (5) essays were presented to the Committee.
- b. H.L. Hunley JROTC Award/Pin new Envoy Members due to the pandemic, few awards were presented. The US Air Force has removed the SCV & several others organizations from presenting awards. PDC Wilson has been working with the US Air Force to try and get us re-instated.
- c. Membership/Recruiting Committee PDC Everett Burr Present, "acknowledge the emails and work the contacts".
- d. Monument Committee update PDC Everett Burr Present, No activity based on current events.
- e. Mechanized Cavalry CC Roy Bowers, Capt. of the Mec Cavalry Not present, report by Sgt. James Taylor, Mec Cav has been active supporting the Cause, let them know and they will help if they know. Resent events Bentonville is a prime example of their support.
- f. Confederate Graves Registry PDC Robert Edwards reported that currently 154,000 plus Grave Registry Admonished us to get our ancestor registered.
- g. Guardian Program Wayne Fuller Present, reported Twelve (12) Guardians present, total of twenty three (23), three (3) ladies; encouraged more to join. \$20 to join, non SCV Members can join.



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- h. SCV License Plates & Grants CC Tom Bird Not Present, PDC Edwards reported that sales has dropped. SCV AR Div receives \$15 per plate; trouble continues to plague us in getting SCV License Plates call LR DMV
- i. Heritage Operations CC John Ross Bryan Not present, no report.
- 9. Brigade Commanders Reports:
 - a. Southern Brigade Shaun Sinclair Present, six (6) Camps, only one (1) report
 - b. Northeast Brigade Tom Bird Not present, no report; PDC Honnoll reports that no major issues in Jonesboro, maintaining the Confederate Park in Jonesboro.
 - c. Northwest Brigade Crawford Gullett reported seven (7) Camps, Brigade is working through issues with various camps, problems being worked out
 - d. Central Brigade Darrin Hardy Not present, no report, DC Mauch reported what his Camp has been, Central Brigade, has been active. CC Freeman spoke up regarding Newton's Camp activities. PDC Edwards reported on David o'Dodd, Camp 619 activities.
- 10. Comments from ATM Army Commander Darrell Maples Words of encouragement & thanks for our support during his years as ATM Commander.
- 11. Comments from ATM Councilman J.C. Hanna spoke from his heart and announces that he is currently un-opposed.

12. Old Business

- a. SCV AR Div Nominating Committee [PDC Honnoll, PDC Burr, & PDC Edwards] reports: placed as a motion by PDC Danny Honnoll, the following:
 - i. Candidates for SCV AR Divisions
 - 1. AR Division Commander Loy Mauch
 - 2. AR Division 1st Lt. Commander Wayne Fuller
 - 3. AR Division 2nd Lt. Commander Roy Bower



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- ii. Brigade Commanders:
 - 1. Northwest Brigade Commander Crawford
 - 2. Northeast Brigade Commander Tom Bird
 - 3. Central Brigade Commander James Taylor
 - 4. Southern Brigade Commander Shaun Sinclair
- iii. David O Dodd Memorial / Winter DEC, Little Rock 11 January 2020, eighty (80) individuals present at the Dodd Memorial Service
- iv. General Patrick R. Cleburne Memorial, Helena 14 March 2020
- v. Arkansas Confederate Flag Day, Little Rock 11 April 2020
- vi. 2020 AR Division Reunion DEC, Bentonville 24th & 25th April 2020
- vii. AR Division Executive Council (DEC) Fall Meeting, Little Rock 22 August 2020
- b. No other old business to discuss, moving onto New Business

13. New Business

- a. Monuments in Arkansas Charge to the Confederate to develop a registry of all Confederate Monuments, Plaques, Markers, etc.
- b. Regarding the AR Division Monument activities and current events, a discussion concerning alternatives developed. The group reached consensus on developing sites to setup 80 foot flag poles and flying the Confederate Flags as our future of monuments. Currently a site on I-30 South of Benton is active and out support is needed.
- c. A 'for the good of the Cause' idea was presented by Patrick Costello, Polk County Invincibles, Camp 2264, Adjutant. He suggested that we volunteer to stand in the place of Confederate Monuments that have been removed from public places. After a positive discussion, a motion was made by Patrick Costello to develop a Living Monument Program (LMP) and present to the AR Division Confederate, seconded by Scott Morrow, motion Passed.



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- d. 2023 National Reunion, the James M. Keller Camp #615 of Hot Springs has submitted to the SCV Headquarters to host the 2023 Reunion, bidding closed on 15 January, 2020 Good luck men!
- e. No additional 'New Business' was brought forth

14. Announcements:

- a. The next AR DIV DEC Fall Meeting August 29th, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Whole Hog Café in Little Rock.
- 15. Pass the Hat was conducted during the evening banquet monies for the Flag = \$315
- 16. Benediction given by Robert Bowers, Chaplain.
- 17. The meeting was adjourned with the singing of "DIXIE".

Summary of Key Motions: 1) None	
Approved by:	
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Johnny L. McKenzie, Division Adjutant	Lou Mauch, Division Commander
2020 Division Reunion – Bentonville, AR	20 June, 2020
Location	Date