

US Grant Camp 68 SUVCW
Meeting Minutes 11/18/2019
Frailey's Grill, 63129

Present: Walt Busch, Don Palmer, Bob Petrovic, Bob AuBuchon, Craig Mathews, Jim Stebbing, Mark Coplin, John Avery, Sumner Hunnewell, Matthew Zahradka, Vincent Heier

1909 Hours, PDC John Avery led the group in the pledge of allegiance, followed by Fr. Vincent Heier leading the group in prayer.

PCC Sumner Hunnewell took charge of the meeting due to the absence of the commander.

October Meeting minutes reviewed and on motion by Craig Mathews with second by Mark Coplin were approved

Secretary/Treasurer Report reviewed and on motion by Craig Mathews and second by John Avery to approve with the Treasurer's report subject to audit were approved.

October 2019 Secretary Treasurer Report for US Grant Camp

1. Donation made to Civil War Museum of \$25 to thank them for use of the 56th USCT Infantry Flag for our event. Letter of thanks received from Museum.
2. Now that I have more time since my computer has recovered from two hard drive losses (and I now have it all backed up every day to the cloud, I will begin updating our website again.
3. Dues for 2020 can now be sent in. I have two from new members already. I've included a notice with the sending out of this report.

DATE	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Amount Rec'd	Amount Paid Out	Montgomery	On Statements
9/9/2019	Cash	Shot Drink Donations to Flag Fund	20.00			
9/9/2019	1931	Shane Milburn - Nametag	16.00			
9/9/2019	4766	Chas Walker - Nametag	16.00			
9/9/2019	1172 & Cash	Michael McKeever Dues and SVR (\$20 cash)	48.00			
9/9/2019	63-1430/670	Col Robt Barnard Camp2	176.00			
9/9/2019	3845	Matthew Zahradka Membership and SVR	48.00			
9/9/2019	151	Marty Aubuchon reimburse for paying Cher Petrovic Invoice 505945 for Grant Remem Day Program		-40.00	-40.00	
9/14/2019	152	Missouri Civil War Museum Donation for use of 56th USCT Flag for ceremony		-25.00	-25.00	9/30/2019
9/14/2019	DEP	Deposit			324.00	9/30/2019
9/17/2019	5021	Frank Mathews Dues	30.00			
9/17/2019	DEP	Deposit			30.00	9/30/2019
10/1/2019	153	Mo Dept - Dues for Frank Mathew		-12.25	-12.25	
TOTALS			19,038.62	-17,335.31	1,419.63	

Committed Funds		Committed Funds	\$357.76
Sherman Flag Fund	98.00	Uncommitted Funds	\$1,061.87
Equipment Fund	112.25	Total in Checking	\$1,419.63
SVR Fund	\$147.51	Undeposited Funds	
TOTAL	\$357.76	Total	\$1,419.63

Secretary Busch added that he recently sent the DUVCW Julia Dent Tent a letter suggesting that they jointly hold the four ceremonies we hold each year with us. Walt reported that so far he has heard positively from two members and they will present it to the group.

Secretary Busch also reports the passing of Brother Donald Alwine back on May 8 due to age and cancer. Fr. Heier will check with Seven Holy Founders (his church) to see if there was a place he wanted gifts donated to. [Fr. Heier reports that gifts to the church itself appreciated]

Secretary Busch also reports that Maggie Grothe gave us the Sherman Flag and a picture of Sherman to use at Sherman events. [Later research by Walt proves flag was owned by Sherman Camp and the department is being asked permission to permanently hold the property].

No Commander Report

Senior Vice Commander Report – Attended Sherman Ceremony

Junior Vice Commander Report: Bob AuBuchon reports was at Sherman Ceremony; Nov 1 School day at Nancy Kentucky about Battle of Mill Springs; Nov 4 attended Military Historians Meeting at JB (They may change their meeting date so that we can attend); Nov. 9 Attended St Louis Veteran’s Day Parade

Department Update: Bob & Don attended, no particular information.

BUSINESS

Comments on Sherman Ceremony: Walt made several comments about us trying to rush through the ceremony, not having singing in the ceremony. We also should have offered guests from the Allied Orders a minute to speak to the group.

Christmas Party/Meeting -- Dec 4 6:30 PM – Greenbriar Country Club. Dinner off Menu. Speaker Robert Laven on his new book about General Phil Kearney.

Placing bricks around General Sherman Flagpole. John Avery to check with Cemetery to see if we can do it. Fundraiser for Flagpole Fund.

January Officer’s Meeting. Regular Camp meeting to be held. May have January Officer’s Meeting. Bob Amsler to announce to officers later. Walt Busch offered house for meeting.

Election. Current Nominees

Bob Amsler for Commander; Sumner Hunnewell for SVC; Craig Mathews for JVC; Councils: Martin Aubuchon, Bob Petrovic and Jim Stebbings. Secretary/Treasurer Walt Busch since no one else is willing to take it. Since Commander Amsler not here, we elected all other officers except commander.

Commander to be elected at December meeting. So still time to run for commander. John Avery made the motion that secretary to cast one vote for slate. Seconded by Don Palmer. Done.

Good of the Order: February 26 7pm – St. Louis County Main Library to hold talk by Fergus Bordeloich on “How Congress (Not Lincoln) Helped Win the Civil War.”

TRIVIA

1. What happened on 11/11 during the Civil War
2. During the war, Henry Shelton Sanford served as the US Minister to which European country?
a. Holland b. Poland c. Italy d. Belgium
3. Who presided over the Convention of Seceded States in Montgomery, Alabama, which began on Feb 4, 1861.
a. John Slidell b. Howell Cobb c. Judah Benjamin d. Alexander Stephens
4. T or F An annotated edition of Mary Chestnut's Diary won the 1982 Pulitzer Prize for History.
5. Which Ohio unit was known as the "Fighting Fools?"
6. T or F The North never lost an army commander in combat.
7. T or F Paul Joseph Revere, grandson of the famous patriot, Paul Revere, was mortally wounded at Antietam.
8. How many civilians were killed at the Camp Jackson Massacre?
a. 59 b. 28 c. 132 d. 12
9. Which river did Fort Donelson guard?
10. What is the name of the iron corkscrew fitted to a pole that is used to search cannon bores for pieces of the powder bag after firing?
a. Vent Pick b. Thumbstall c. Prolonge d. Worm

Fun Fact – Never take counsel of your fears. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson

2013 Hrs. Fr. Heier concluded the meeting with Prayer.