SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING: TULSA, OK, AUGUST 23-24, 2013

FRIDAY EVENING OVERVIEW:

A candidate forum was held at 4:30 pm. This was followed by a reception at 6:15 pm and a banquet at 7:00 pm. Stephen Baldwin (MO), VPG SCD, conducted the meetings. The presentation of colors was led by SCD Color Guard Commander Bob Capps (KS). The invocation was given by a member of OKSSAR. After dinner, President General Joseph Dooley provided the keynote address on "Freedom in American Films."

SATURDAY:

A breakfast was held at 7:30 am and completed by 8:30 am.

The South Central District (SCD) meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by SCD VPG Stephen Baldwin (MO). This was followed by a prayer, pledge of allegiance to the flag and introduction of dignitaries.

President General Joe Dooley (VA) made some brief remarks.

VPG Stephen Baldwin (MO) made remarks summarized as follows:

Retention – State presidents should contact each chapter president, encouraging them to call all dropped members, find out why they dropped and try to get them to reinstate. Make chapter meetings fun and have interesting programs. Invite wives and make chapter meetings a family event.

Public Exposure – Use Color Guard and include involvement in schools and churches. Be involved in grave marking ceremonies and naturalization ceremonies.

Support SAR Visions - Including monetary support at the chapter, state and NSSAR.

Previous Minutes: M/2 Joe Dooley (VA)/Barney Ellis (KS) to accept the 2012 meeting minutes. Passed

Roll call of States:

MO: Richard Bryant not present – presented by Stephen Baldwin VPG

OK: Darrell Hefley

KS: Bob Capps

AR: Jerold Montgomery

TX: Stephen Rohrbaugh

Written reports submitted by MO, OK and KS.

Attendance: Members (M) Guests (G)

MO: 6M, 2G

OK: 18m, 7G

KS: 11M, 4G

AR: 6M, 2G

TX: 7M, 3G

XX: 10M, 4G

Total: 58M, 22G

Treasurer Report: Nothing reported as the checking account was closed per the 2009 SCD meeting. Reminder – host society pays for medals, etc. to be presented.

OLD BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NSSAR OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

PRESIDENT GENERAL – JOSEPH DOOLEY (VA)

SECRETARY GENERAL - LINDSAY BROCK (FL)

TREASURER GENERAL – THOMAS LAWRENCE (TX)

CHANCELLOR GENERAL – JOHN DODD (CA)

GENEALOGIST GENERAL - LARY CORNWELL (AL)

REGISTRAR GENERAL – MIKE TOMME (GA)

HISTORIAN GENERAL – BOB BOWEN (VA)

ENDORSEMENTS:

VPG Stephen Baldwin outlined the positions and candidates.

M/2 George Thompson (OK)/Frank Appl (OK) submitted written motion attached to endorse all candidates not opposed. Passed.

I move the NSSAR South Central District, meeting this 24th day of August, 2013, endorse all announced candidates for General Officer who are not opposed by another announced candidate for the term 2014-2015, specifically:

President General	Lindsey Brock of the Florida Society
Secretary General	Thomas Lawrence of the Texas Society
Chancellor General	John Dodd of the California Society
Genealogist General	John Sinks of the District of Columbia Society
Registrar General	Robert Bowen of the Virginia Society
Historian General	Robert Towns of the Georgia Society
Surgeon General	Dr. Edward Rigel, Sr. of the Georgia Society
Chaplain General	Rev. Randy Moody of the Florida Society

Additionally, I move the NSSAR South Central District, meeting this 24th day of August, 2013, endorse all announced candidates for SAR Foundation Board of Directors who are not opposed by another announced candidate for a three-year term, 2014-2017, specifically:

SAR Foundation, Seat One PG Joseph Dooley of the Virginia Society SAR Foundation, Seat Two Samuel Powell of the North Carolina Society

Maker

George David Thompson, #118111, of the Oklahoma Society

Second

Contested positions:

Treasurer General: Larry Cornwell (AL) and Mike Tomme (GA)

Librarian General: Bruce Pickette (AL) and Larry Guzy (GA)

VPG Stephen Baldwin (MO) appointed a committee of three members to conduct a secret vote.

Recessed to vote.

Results of the voting were the endorsement of Larry Cornwell (AL) for Treasurer General and Bruce Pickette (AL) for Librarian General.

Motion to destroy ballots. Passed

Presentation of Awards:

VPG Stephen Baldwin presented certificates of appreciation to SCD Color Guard Commander Bob Capps (KS), SCD Historian Bob Grover (MO), SCD Secretary Dennis Nelson (KS), President of the Tulsa OK SAR chapter and OKSSAR President Darrell Hefley. VPG Stephen Baldwin presented immediate past VPG Peter Grassl (KS) with a plaque and medal. President General Joe Dooley (VA) presented Dennis Nelson (KS) with Silver Color Guard medal.

M/2 Peter Grassl (KS)/Barney Ellis (KS) to have the VPG be from the same state as where the meeting is held.

M/2 Bob Clark (TX)/Compatriot Boyle (AR) to table previous motion. Passed.

Announcement that the 2014 SCD meeting would be held in the Dallas, TX area hosted by TXSSAR on the 4th Saturday of August, 22nd and 23rd.

Bob Capps (KS) announced that the SCD needed its own website and webmaster.

Peter Grassl (KS) encouraged SCD to promote its members for national office.

M/2 Frank Appl (OK)/Darrell Hefley (OK) submitted a written motion attached that George Thompson (OK) be nominated as VPG from the SCD for the election at congress. Passed.

The Oklahoma Society presents George David Thompson, #118111, of the Oklahoma Society, who was selected during its Congress April 20, 2013, to be presented as the Oklahoma Compatriot to be nominated by the South Central District as its candidate for Vice President General, South Central District, for the one-year term 2014-2015.

I move the adoption of the selection of George David Thompson, #118111, of the Oklahoma Society, as the candidate for Vice President General, South Central District for a one-year term 2014-2015.

Maker: 🗅

Franklin Appl, #132775, of the Oklahoma Society

Second:

Darrell Hefley, #166920, of the Oklahoma Society

Announcement that the SCD would have a breakfast meeting on Tuesday at Congress in South Carolina.

George Thompson (OK) discussed the National CAR flag pole project.

Stephen Baldwin (MO) spoke about the NSSAR Friends of the Library appeal for membership.

Frank Appl (OK) spoke about the fund raising programs – CAAH fund and the George Washington Endowment Fund.

Historian General Robert Bowen (VA) spoke about flag display certificates and the NSSAR streamer awarded at Congress to states that have the state and 50% of their chapters that present flag certificates.

Motion to adjourn meeting. Passed.

Benediction, Recessional and Retiring of Colors.

Meeting Adjournment 11:00 am.

Submitted by SCD Secretary Dennis Nelson (KS).