

JANUARY 2023

A Montgomery Sectional Commanders Conference was held on January 14, 2023 at 1st A/G Montgomery at 9:20 AM. Opening comments and thanking Commander Benny Ray Cunningham and to pass on our thanks to his pastor for the use of his church by Commander Rick. Opening prayer and special prayer requests by Commander Benny.

Churches represented at the Conference: Prattville Community Church, First A/G Montgomery, Evangel Church and Hunting Ridge COG.

Staff present: Commanders Rick Higgins and Joe Andrews.

The financial report for the past quarter was presented by Commander Rick. Commander Scott Cofer motioned to approve financial report. Commander Benny Ray seconded the motion. Motion passed. Copy is attached.

Commander Rick brought up discussion on the 2023 Section events. Change in the Conference Schedule putting location of the July 8th conference at Hunting Ridge and the Oct 7th conference at Evangel; Pow Wow dates will be Oct 13 & 14 (location of the 2022 Pow Wow was okayed by the property owner 2023); Field Day (TBD and location); Repelling (TBD by Commander's Andrews and Fontine); AWF Fishing Rodeo will be announced by Commander Rick when known by AWF. And the Ranger Derby on March 4th at Hunting Ridge.

Commander Roy Damron announced that Prattville Community Church has discontinued the Ranger outpost. They also stated that God is leading them in another direction and thought it best to discuss this with their pastor. During their two-year absence in Ohio taking care of his mother the church began another class combining the young boys and girls in one class on Wednesday nights and this has worked for the church.

Commander Rick opened the discussion regarding this years Ranger Derby. This event will be held at Hunting Ridge COG on March 4th. Registration night will March 2nd beginning at 7 PM and ending at 9 PM; judging of the cars will be on Friday March 3rd beginning at 7 PM and ending at 9 PM. The track will be set up on registration night

by Commander Joe and any helpers (volunteers) he can find that night. Registration will be done by Commanders Rick and Scott, tables for the cars will be set up by Commanders Roy and Cathy Damron (they volunteered). Cost of each derby car registered to race will remain at \$7 each. Cars signed out by each outpost that are not used and kept by the outpost will be cost \$4 each. Those that are turned back in to Commander Rick will only have to pay the \$7 each for their cars registered. There will be a concession location available for snacks and drinks. A discussion on the derby cars differences between ours and the Districts in that the derby car competition at District Pow Wow and National levels were not the same. Commander Bill Lemaster motioned

to change derby car requirements to compete at District Pow Wow. Commander Joe Andrews seconded the motion. This motion was tabled until our next conference in July.

Commander Rick brought up the discussion on the possibility of paying Commander Joe Andrews on a yearly basis for the fees assessed for our Section website. We were sending Commander Joe a check each month. Commander Bill Lemaster motioned for a special payment amount of website fees on a yearly basis to Commander Joe Andrews. Commander Scott Cofer seconded the motion. Motion passed. The total amount of the annual fees for 2023 was \$202.52 (this included the annual renewal fee of \$20).

The next scheduled quarterly planning conference will be held on July 8, 2023 at Hunting Ridge COG. Main topic for discussion will be Pow Wow.

Being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 with prayer by Commander Joe Andrews.

Yours in Christ,

Richard N. Higgins, Jr.
Montgomery Deputy Sect. Commander
Secretary/Treasurer

Ricky Whittington
Sectional Commander