

The Society of Descendants of Militia Officers

Fall Muster 14 November 2015

Minutes

The Muster was called to order on a Skype conference call by the Acting President, Walter G. Green III, at approximately 1600 Eastern time

Roll Call: The following Officers of the Militia were represented by their descendants present or on command when the roll was called.

Officer	Service	Represented by	Status
Captain Farnefold Green	Bath County (North Carolina) Militia in the Tuscarora War	Walter G. Green III	Present
Lieutenant Daniel Rose	Captain Sheffer's Company, 2 nd Battalion, Berks County (Pennsylvania) Militia in the Revolutionary War	Thomas St. Aubin	On command
1 st Lieutenant John Grumbles	Rainer's Company, 1 st Battalion Alabama Militia Infantry in the Creek Indian Wars	Janet Taylor-Carusi	On command
Captain William Bracken	Anson County Regiment, North Carolina Militia in the Revolutionary War	Cynthia Russo	Present

Reports: The report of the Acting President was accepted. Copies of the report ordered posted online.

New Business:

Item 1 – A proposal to call the roll by the names of the ancestors of members, using the initial ancestor used to establish eligibility in the member's application. Adopted.

Item 3 – A proposal to authorize the expenditure of approximately \$50.00 to obtain a corporate style embossing seal and a rubber stamp of the Society's emblem. Adopted.

Item 4 – A proposal that the Society should establish a policy on (1) the officers to serve the Society, (2) the names of the specific officer positions, and (3) the priority for filling positions by election. The Society adopted the use of titles equivalent to those of Militia Company Officers: Captain (chief executive), Lieutenant (membership), Ensign or Cornet (secretary-treasurer). The membership agreed that the officers of the Class of 2016 should be Walter G. Green III, Captain, Cynthia Russo, Lieutenant, and Janet Taylor-Carusi, Ensign.

Item 5 – A proposal that the chief executive should appoint a committee of members to draft Articles of Association for the Society. Taken for action by the Captain with the result to be reported at the Spring 2016 Muster.

Item 6 – A proposal to create a document that resembles a muster roll as a separate certificate to the membership certificate attesting to the lines of ancestors used to establish eligibility for membership in the Society (and as supplemental lines). Taken for action by the Captain. A proposed format circulated to the membership subsequent to the meeting was approved without objection.

Item 7 - A proposal to publish our curated lists of officers, non-commissioned officers, and units annually as a bound volume, using Lulu.com. To be investigated by the Captain.

Item 8 – A proposal that the Society should establish a priority order for the design and production of insignia for its members. Deferred for action until the next muster.

Item 9 – A proposal that the Society should consider establishment of a training and credentialing program for its members, specifically focused on academic and lineage research in the history of the Militia. The Captain to provide an initial draft of such a program to the members at the next Muster.

Item 10 – A proposal that the Society should meet online twice a year in general business meetings to be termed Musters for the acceptance of reports, the adoption of proposals for its governance, and the consideration of any other business. Adopted.

Adjournment: There being no further business for the good of the Society, the Society was dismissed from duty at the Muster at 1700 Eastern time.

Walter G. Green III
Captain
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