



- The meeting of the Southern Conference was called to order on November 8, 2025, in Conroe, Texas, by Conference Chairman Victor Letourneau.
- The recording of roll call was inaudible.
- **Previous Minutes**
 - Tony Dobbins (Conference Vice Chair) made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 2025 Southern Conference Caucus at the National Convention, since the minutes are available online and were sent to all departments. Secretary/Treasurer Moske seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - David Moske (Conference Secretary/Treasurer) requested that the Audit Committee give a report.
- National officers were introduced by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Cory Geisler.
- **Committee Reports**
 - Audit Committee – Ken Wiseman introduced the committee members, provided the numbers, and confirmed that the audit went well.
 - Budget and Finance Committee – Jeff Carroll introduced the committee members.

- The committee reviewed the budget and found it to be good.
 - The budget was \$19,000, and \$22,000 was received.
 - A motion came from the committee to close the 2025 budget. Motion passed.
 - Income is projected to be \$25,250, and expenses are projected to be \$21,200. The committee recommended approving the budget. Motion passed.
 - A motion was made to allow the treasurer to work within the budget. Motion passed.
 - A motion was made to invest \$12,500 each year for four years through Edward Jones. Motion passed.
 - A motion was made to allow the Budget Committee to adjust investments between meetings. Motion passed.
 - Bylaws Committee – Wyatt Lobrano introduced the committee members.
 - The Bylaws Committee recommended that the travel budget be increased from \$750 to \$1,000 to attend meetings for the conference. Motion passed.
 - Resolutions Committee – No resolutions were submitted to the Southern Conference Convention.
 - Time and Place Committee – Hal Roesch.
- **Unfinished Business**
 - The Department of Alabama spoke on the upcoming Conference Convention.
 - The Department of Virginia spoke on the upcoming Conference Convention.
 - **New Business**

- Secretary Moske made a motion to adopt election rules for the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.
- Nomination for Judge Advocate General
 - Hal Roesch nominated Ken Wiseman.
 - Ken Wiseman, by acclamation, is the next JAG designee.
- Nominations for Conference Officers
 - Conference Chairman
 - Jeff Carroll nominated Tony Dobbins.
 - Tony Dobbins, by acclamation, is the next Conference Chairperson.
 - Conference Vice Chairman
 - Dan West nominated Eric Dudash.
 - Jim Fox nominated Todd Haviland.
 - Al Lipphardt nominated Debbie Macholhannon.
 - The candidates spoke.
 - Elections were held. Eric Dudash was elected by majority vote as Vice Chairman of the Southern Conference.
 - Eric Dudash spoke.
 - Conference Treasurer
 - Dan West nominated David Moske.
 - David Moske was elected Treasurer by acclamation.
- Hal Roesch made a motion for the Southern Conference to endorse Cory Geisler as Commander-in-Chief for 2026–2027. Motion passed.
- The Conference Chair called for a recess for lunch.
- The Conference Chair called the meeting to order.

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- PCIC Al Lipphardt gave remarks on the year.
- National Chaplain Darren Adkins gave remarks.
- Adjutant General Dan West announced his candidacy for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for 2030–2031.
- The Past Conference Chairman announced his candidacy for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for 2030–2031.
- State Commanders gave their reports.
- Adjutant General Dan West gave remarks on the VOD Parade of Winners.
- Chaplain Sockett gave remarks about chaplain training.
- Secretary Moske gave updates on Conference Rotation, the MOU, and the SOP.
- Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Cory Geisler gave remarks on behalf of Carol Whitmore.
- The Conference Chairman gave closing remarks.
- Officers of the Southern Conference were sworn in.
- **A motion was made to close the meeting.**
- **The closing ceremony was conducted by the Sergeant at Arms.**
- **The closing prayer was given by the Chaplain.**
- **The meeting closed in good order.**

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