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Meeting minutes Aug 7, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER: 1800 hrs.
GUEST: 0

ROLL CALL OFFICERS: 6

TOTAL # MEMBERS PRESENT: 11

Call to Order: 6pm – Andy presided.

Prayer: Fred Presented

MEETING MINUTES: Prior meeting minutes for Jul 2, 2026, were made available through email and copies on table. Reggie gave 1st motion to accept the minutes and Mark B 2nd it. Approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Table to next meeting due to Ron not being there for meeting, Fred 1st motion to table finance report and Edwin 2nd it. Approve unanimously.

- OLD BUSINESS

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1. **Lonnie White** There were two different fund raisers for Lonnie. One at Hwy 55 where the owner gave 50 percent of sales to Lonnie on a Tuesday and the Scavenger Hunt at Post 6. We raised close to \$7000.00 for Lonnie's family.
2. **Bi-Laws proposed changes (1st Reading).**
Constitution and Bi-Laws Article IV – Membership - Adding Section 6 to read-
On the year following a member's 80th birthday the Post shall pay membership dues for the member as long as the member is in good standing with the Post. To qualify the member must be a member of Congaree Post# 90 in good standing and paid dues for a minimum of 3 years.

Bi-Laws – Article IV - Section 1. On general meetings; Removing (except December, January, June, July and August) and adding (except July and December).

- 3 **Sargent of Arms** – Mark Bays moving forward will be filling in as our Sargent of Arms.

New Business

1. **Palmetto Citizen Bank.** We will be changing our finances to this new bank due to less fees.
 - a. John and Ron will meet to continue changeover EIN's Etc.

2. **Computers:** Jim stated that the computer bought for the Adjutant is being solely used for Adjutant purposes. So, if the adjutant is replaced, the next adjutant can take over without any real problems. The computer used for Finance will have Quicken installed on it for all our financial needs.
3. **Michael Bradshaw** - He is one of the officers in our Sons of AL Post 90. He was in a motorcycle accident on Aug 1st and needs everyone's prayers. They will be planning a benefit for him in the coming weeks.
4. **New Members** – We are looking for volunteers to go through post 172 to try to recruit new members. If interested contact Andy.
5. **October Convention:** To be held at the Convention Center on 1101 Lincoln Street, Saturday Oct 24, 2026. At 9am Legion and Aux, 10am Sal, 1pm ALR. Parking could be problem with a USC game that day.

Anything Else from Members

Arthur – Said he will be talking to the 3 boys that went to Boys State to present in September. They will get \$100.00 return to them.

Reggie – Said that in Glendale Nebraska, Post 26 on 2nd Tuesday every month cooked hot dogs and hamburgers for the community. He said they also had gizzards. Something we might think about.

James – Ceremony for the deceased. Talk about doing it in Oct.

ADJUTANT – PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW FOR THE YEAR 2027. This helps the Post meet its Goals the sooner the Dues are paid.

IMPORTANT DATES

Next meeting

Sept 3rd, 2026

October Convention

Oct 24, 2026