

By Laws of Gus Boyd Chapter 912 United Daughters of the Confederacy

Article I

Name

This shall be known as Gus Boyd Chapter Dahlonga Georgia

Article II

Articles of the Association shall be Historical, Educational, Benevolent, Literary, and Social. To gather and preserve facts of unwritten history and to keep alive the memories sacred to Southern hearts.

Article III

Membership

Section 1

Those entitled to membership in this Association are the widows, the wives, the mothers, the sisters, the nieces, and the lineal descendants of such men as served honorably in the Confederate army, navy, or civil service, or of others who loyally gave material aid to the Cause, also women and their lineal descendants who can give proof of personal service and loyal aid to the South during the War Between the States.

Section 2

Every applicant for membership in the Gus Boyd Chapter shall be elected by secret ballot, two black balls rejecting. The name shall be announced to the chapter at its regular meeting by the Registrar; who will tell the service by which the applicant claims admission into the chapter. If elected, the Cor. Sec. shall furnish her with blanks of application papers, which if properly filled out, and endorsed by two members of the Chapter in good standing, she having paid the initiation fee of 25 cts, her name shall be placed upon the Chapter roll.

Section 3

Yearly dues shall be 80 cts per annum payable at [unintelligible] meeting.

Section 4

All resignations from chapter shall be in writing and no resignation shall be effective as a release from indebtedness to the chapter. But a member in arrears for two years shall be [unintelligible, likely "removed"] from the roll by action of the Ex Board. Such persons shall have the right of appeal to the Chapter, and no member shall be [unintelligible, likely "removed"] until two notices have been sent to her by the Treasurer, to her last known

place of residence; stating that such member is in arrears and to what amount. Transfers shall not be given to members in debt to the chapter.

Article IV Officers

Section 1

The officers of the Gus Boyd Chapter shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Rec. Sec., a Cor Sec., a Registration, a Treasurer, and a Historian. These officers shall be elected annually at the [unintelligible, likely "Jan"] meeting. Nominations shall be from the floor, and the elections by ballot, and a majority shall elect.

Section 2

The executive board shall consist of the officers of the Chapter and six members appointed by the President as soon after the annual election of officers as practicable. The President shall be officio chairman of the board, and the Rec. Sec. shall be its secretary. Five shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 3

Duties of officers.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Chapter and have the general supervision of the work. She shall fill vacancies in office until an election can be held by the Chapter, and appoint committees as the work of the Chapter may demand.

Section 4

The Vice Presidents in order of their rank shall in the absence of the President or at her request perform the duties of that office.

Section 5

The Rec. Sec. shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Chapter and of the Executive Board. She shall give a fair and accurate account of the proceedings of both bodies and with the President certify all acts and orders of the Chapter.

Section 6

The Registrar shall announce to the Chapter the manner of applicants for membership and the services through which they claim eligibility. She shall be the custodian of all approved applications papers. She shall keep a complete list of the names, places of residence, dates of membership, transfers and resignations, such list to be called the Chapter Directory to be revised after each annual election of officers.

Section 7

The Cor. Sec. shall conduct the general correspondence of the chapter and from time to time communicate to [unintelligible] and other magazines and newspapers matters of interest concerning the chapter, and perform the duties as the chapter may direct.

Section 8

The Treasurer shall collect receipts and be responsible for the funds of the chapter, and at each meeting give an account of expenditures and condition of the treasury, her books being at all times open for inspection by the Executive Board.

Section 9

The Historian shall keep the records of the historical and commemorative meetings of the Chapter, and shall keep the Chapter informed of the work being done along this line by the United and State organizations of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and from time to time communicate these to the State U.D.C. Historian. She shall call to the attention of the Chapter the anniversaries of important events in the history of the Confederacy, and shall be the custodian of historical papers read before the Chapter.

Article V

Chapter Meetings

Section 1

Meetings shall be monthly and when necessary for special work, or for the good of the Chapter. The President shall have the right to call a meeting, and at such time and place as in her opinion will best serve the [unintelligible, likely "purpose"] of such meetings. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

Section 2

The Chapter shall hold at least once a year an historical (and commemorative) meeting at which some event of Confederate history shall be discussed.

Article VI

Orders of Business

Section 1

Shall be as follows

Devotional exercise

Reading of minutes and roll call

Reports of officers Treasurer, Cor. Sec., Registrar, and Historian

Committee reports

Unfinished business
Special business
New business
Reading papers
Announcements
Music
Adjournment

Section 2

This order of business may be suspended by a two thirds vote of the Chapter at any meeting, but such change shall be operative only at the meeting at which it is adopted.

Article VII Amendments

No amendments to these By Laws shall be operative unless such amendments shall have been openly proposed at a previous meeting of the Chapter, and entered on the minutes with the names of the proposer, and the further information that the proposed amendment would be brought before the chapter at a specified time for action. A two third vote shall adopt.

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