



NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

WASHINGTON STATE FEDERAL OF CHAPTERS
EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2010

The Executive and Advisory Boards of the WSFC met at the Holiday Inn in Everett at 8:30 AM. In attendance were:

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Region IX VP Lanny Ross, President Sandra Cagle, Secretary Paul Shell, Treasurer Rex Tauscher, District II VP/2010 Convention Co-chair Quentin Gates, District III VP Bonnie Seesholtz, District IV VP William H. Powers.

ADVISORY BOARD: Federal Reporter Editor Dave Seesholtz, Finance Chair Mike Ferri, Webmaster and Public Relations Chair Sam Cagle.

Also present was guest and convention official, Elaine Ferri.

A tour was given of the Holiday Inn including handicapped rooms and other facilities.

Opening and Officer Reports

Sandy did the flag salute and welcome.

Minutes: Bill moved that the November minutes be approved. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Rex presented the Treasurer's report (attached). He will work on per capita tomorrow.

Sandy gave VP Rich Wilson's report: Chapter 1801 must separate the President and Treasurer positions (same person for two positions). Chapter 1192 also has the same problem. DVPs need to take this to their chapters.

DVP Reports/ Committee Reports

DVP reports were e-mailed to members, a copy of each filed with these minutes.

Committee issues: John submitted a paper on proposed awards, MAPS and rebates. Rex will talk to him about the changes. It was tabled for further discussion. Mike mentioned that an Alzheimer's check was not yet processed. Sandy will check on it. Sam read his report and discussed the new 'senior' site and what new convention materials are on the web.

Lanny also gave his report – copy attached. Of note was the government retiree tax credit; new for F-131 for audits; Jim Delgado has been hired at national to work on volunteerism; a new application form H-148. Paul asked if a table cloth can be made up nationally. Lanny said to check with Christine Robinson (Sam will contact her.)

Sandy presented a NARFE sign made by Sam Sevier for less than \$100.

Unfinished Business

1. Convention: Mike and Quentin gave an update on the convention. The preliminary booklet was discussed as well as speakers, schedules, etc. They need to meet with Sandy in March as to the agenda and it will be posted on the website. Rex stated chapters are in good standing if paid up to 12/09. Sam will ask for 300 NARFE logos for the "goodie bags". Entertainment will be by the New Originals. Lanny asked about an open forum for members to quiz the Federation officers. Awards with pictures need to be streamlined. Paul is to collect and print the articles from the officers and committee chairs - to be received not later than 3/31. The articles are to be about their accomplishments and be not more than 150 words.
2. Budget: Mike presented the budget (copy attached). Issues such as VP travel, the National Conference 3/11, state legislative chair, health fairs, and training expenses were discussed. He will send out an updated budget for the next meeting.
3. Website: Sam said the newsletters are on the web and he will post chapters newsletters if e-mailed to him. Workshop data will also be posted.
4. Policies and Procedures Manual: Paul passed out a copy of the entire manual to all officers and committee chairs present. A .pdf format one will be sent to Sam and the remainder will be mailed to officers and committee chairs not present.
5. Year-round audit: remains tabled as it needs more development.
6. Delegate voting: Sandy will get with Vic. This is superseded by National bylaws.
7. Bylaws: Sandy presented the changes. There was considerable discussion. Clark authored the originals. Consensus was to go ahead with the bylaws as changed with Clark as bylaws committee chair, non-voting.
8. Strategic Plan: Sandy recommended that an action plan be attached to each goal. There was discussion of the plan. The consensus was to go ahead with the plan as amended and work on the action plan.

New Business

1. Sandy said there was a question as to whether or not a Service Officer could buy a phone card for official Federation business. Yes – and to put it on expenses.
2. The National League of Postmasters want a NARFE presentation. Autie Bergman wants to give it. Sandy will find out if Spokane is involved.
3. Sandy asked if we want to submit a resolution for single dues. She will check to see if Dale Brighton, Sam Sevier or Carl Gallion is interested.
4. Gift memberships were discussed. Spokane uses the lion's share with only 8 of 69 on Spokane rolls now. Only the Postal Service has a 1/3 return. It is tabled for next time to develop ideas as to what to do.

Comments and correspondence

Paul passed around a sample binder he uses for the secretary position.

The next meeting will be March 17, 2010, in Tacoma at La Quinta.

Adjournment: 3:15 PM

Paul Shell
Secretary

PENDING ISSUES TABLED

Chapters 1801/1192 status	Next meeting
Evaluation of retention-attention project	May, 2010, or after
Chapter instruction process for AFEs	Next meeting
Year-round audit committee and interim audit	Next meeting
Binders	Next meeting
Chapter redistribution	May 2010, or after
Spokane Valley Chapter startup	Next meeting
Strategic plan	Next meeting
Centralized theme at workshops	Next meeting
Bylaws and standing rules	Next meeting
Membership proposal for awards, MAPs and rebates	Next meeting
Table cloth produced for NARFE National	Next meeting
Policy change for gift memberships	Next meeting