

WASHINGTON STATE FEDERATION OF CHAPTERS (WSFC)
NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Meeting of 8 December 2016

The WSFC Executive and Administrative Board met at La Quinta Inn, Tacoma, Washington. Executive Board members present were President Nancy Crosby, Vice President Karol Kusunose, Secretary Ida Sevier, Treasurer Anne Kush, District IV Vice President Bill Powers, and District V Vice President Mary Binder. Advisory Board members present were Federation Reporter Mary Binder, National Legislative Chair Lou Kush, Public Relations Chair Sam Cagle, and Alzheimer's Chair Lorie Bennett. Region IX Vice President Rich Wilson was also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 09:05 a.m. by President Crosby followed by the flag salute.

President Crosby announced that the minutes of the September 21-22, 2016 board meeting were emailed. Minutes were approved as submitted. Copies of minutes and submitted reports were distributed to the attendees.

Region IX Vice President Wilson reported that he had attended the National Executive Board meeting in Washington, D.C. on November 15-18, 2016. Some legislation has been introduced but the bills will have to be reintroduced in January. The 2016 National Bylaws are in print and will be distributed soon. He will forward copies to us. He announced that Idaho and Oregon will hold state conventions next year.

National Legislative Chair Lou Kush discussed the upcoming legislative conference in Washington, D.C. in March. Currently there are 8 registrants from Washington including RVP Wilson. It was decided that the attendees would be reimbursed \$250 if they attended both training sessions and meet with legislators. Members of the previous eNARFE chapter are entitled to funds if they attend. Lou will make appointments with Congressional offices and provide folders with 2 or 3 pages of our issues for the attendees. We need to know what bills are being proposed to decide our position. We need to make sure our positions (all regions) are the same.

Treasurer Anne Kush stated that the money she receives from National does not include the former eNARFE members 10% dues. Rich Wilson, Region IX VP was asked to investigate when these new members become effective and part of the WSFC.

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They are assigned to states by zip codes. It was noted that the new bylaws were presently in effect and therefore, funds should be expected.

The 2017 budget was presented and discussed. Lorie Bennett made a motion to accept the 2017 budget as proposed, Karol Kusunose seconded. Bill Powers, District IV VP stated that there was a quorum and the budget was approved. Mike Ferri, finance officer, will be provided with a copy of the 2017 budget. The books close in January and will need to be audited shortly thereafter. Anne needs 2 people for the audit committee.

There was discussion about fund raising and using WSFC and chapter dues funds. According to the bylaws funds derived from membership fees and dues shall be used to support Association objectives, i.e. recruiting, training, scholarships to attend conferences and conventions.

Sam Cagle, PR and PAC chair, is to ask for matching funds for WSFC PR and PAC expenses.

Linda Waller was appointed as website webmaster to assist Sam Cagle and will be invited to attend board meetings.

We are waiting for the template guidance of the bylaws from National. President Crosby, Secretary Sevier and District V Vice President Mary Binder will review the national and our federation bylaws and standing rules to make sure there are no inconsistencies. Region IX VP Rich Wilson will forward to headquarters any problems. The new bylaws will be discussed at the Region IX Training Conference June 9-10, 2017.

The Federation Reporter format was discussed. Question was raised if we need four issues a year. It was agreed that the Reporter is important to convey information from the board. Mary Binder said the articles for the next Reporter are due to her by January 6, 2017 for the February, March, April edition.

District VP's should canvas their chapters for any Alzheimer's material that is needed.

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The current WSFC handbook dated 2007 needs to be reviewed for possible updates.

Remind all chapters that the F-7 form needs to be submitted if they have new officers, so the directory can be updated in January.

Region XI VP swore in WSCF President – Nancy Crosby, Vice President Karol Kusunose and District V Vice President Mary Binder.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Ida Sevier
Secretary