

## EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES:

A brief Executive Board Meeting was held after the conference at 11:30A.M. in the Canadian Valley Tech Center; at the El Reno Campus in the Banquet room on April 28, 2023.

The minutes from February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved with a motion from Karen Hackett and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Hanlon.

President Gillispie stressed the need for a Service Officer for the Federation and asked the Board to help him, or our new Federation President, find someone to fill the position.

The proposed Treasurer's budget was discussed and the incentives were also discussed. Johnny Hanlon told the group he would pay for the \$400 full page ad in the Conference Program Booklet, if no one objected. He encouraged new officers to claim the cost of their new name badges on their travel/expense claims. He stressed the need for members to send copies of the documents required in order for him to pay incentives due our member. Sometimes new applications go straight to NARFE Headquarters and he's not aware of the need to pay an incentive.

A new idea was presented on paying the \$10 for members that reinstate their NARFE membership. Some think a game is played by some members who delay their dues payment, just to get the \$10. There was quite a bit of discussion about paying a Reinstatement Incentive or not. One idea that seemed to get a lot of support was to pay \$10 but only once in a lifetime of the member and "only" if he/she also signs up for Dues Withholding. Our new 1st Vice-President for Membership, Betty Reitz, was asked to draft a proposal that can be emailed to Executive Board Members for comments prior to implementing it for the 2023-2024 year.

The Executive Board also agreed the Federation should pay the lady (Amy) that helped with the Zoom Meeting for Headquarter Staff. She is not a member of NARFE and did not work for the Vo-Tech. The group agreed \$150 was appropriate.

Some members asked if we should keep only about \$10,000 in our Checking Account and put the rest in a CD with not more than one year term. Johnny said he would look into that.

Jerry and Wanda Walker were encouraged to follow-up with James Gillispie on why the National NARFE Office hasn't paid for Ads from National Sponsors that are in the Program Book. Wanda also informed the group that there was no charge for the use of the Vo-Tech facility for our State Conference.

The next meeting of the Oklahoma Federation Executive Board was "tentatively" set for Friday, October 13, 2023 at 10 AM.

Signed D. Jean McBride- Samuels Secretary.

