

PENNSYLVANIA NARFE FEDERATION
ABBREVIATED EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
MARCH 12, 2019

The Executive Board of the Pennsylvania NARFE Federation met at the LEGcon19 Conference for an informal Board Meeting held in the Juniper Room of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center in Alexandria, VA, on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. All attendees were asked to sign their names and positions. Said list is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. The meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m.

The new Congressional District Vice Presidents in attendance, and guests, were: Thomas Cline, District 1; Ted Hall, District 3; Richard Karakantas, District 4; Tom Geronikos, District 5; William Staarman, District 6; Raymond Hain, District 10; William McGinley, District 12; Jerry Funderwhite, Legislative Affairs Officer, Chapter #114; C.J. Mills, National Member; Brian M. Finn, Legislation, Chapter #372; and Barbara Bossert, President, Chapter #372. Officers of the Board attending were: Larry Palecek, President; George Shal, Immediate Past President; Richard Zuck, 1st Vice President/Membership; Phil Goldstein, 2nd Vice President/Legislative Chair; Virginia Giordano, Secretary; and William Krouse, Webmaster, Editor, OMOV. Everyone was asked to stand and introduce themselves.

EXPENSE VOUCHER. Larry explained the use of the expense voucher when attending Board functions and activities connected with the District which they represent. The original receipts must be attached to the voucher and sent to James Brookes, the Executive Board Treasurer, and a copy of the voucher should go to Larry Palecek, President. Members, other than Board Members, will be reimbursed for their registration fee only. The amount will vary.

PRESIDENT UPDATES.

Transition to date – is it working? District Vice Presidents will now be Congressional District Vice Presidents. William Krouse works with One Member, One Vote (OMOV) which is nothing in the Federation.

Bylaws – establish Standing Rules, Chapter conversion. Bylaws that differ from National will need to be changed. Voting will not be this year on the new Bylaws.

Our successes thus far. A new membership form to pay dues is out which has been simplified. What successes have we had so far? OMOV as identified by William Krouse.

Chapter status and pending closures. Beaver County, Chapter #2094, and Armstrong County Area, Chapter #1997 have closed. Philadelphia Center City, Chapter #31, has merged with Philadelphia Center Square, Chapter #664. Doylestown, Chapter #740, doesn't meet anymore. Chapters in trouble will be given a choice of the place where they want to transfer.

RICHARD ZUCK, 1ST VP/MEMBERSHIP. The books pertaining to NARFE profiles are ready and will be given to legislators tomorrow during the visits. Profiles in Service will be provided to those people who are included in the book. The remainder will be sold. George Shall made a

motion stating that we bought into the books and are responsible to buy them. We need to pay our fair share of the cost of the books. Phil Goldstein seconded the motion; motion carried.

PHILIP GOLDSTEIN, 2nd VP/LEGISLATION. Phil told the group to talk about issues properly associated with NARFE, and told them to be careful what they say. He distributed sheets listing names and addresses of elected officials. Maps have already been given to members. Those assigned on ad hoc districts don't have to be a member of that district. They were told not to forget to say "thank you" to the person to whom they spoke. Send a note to acknowledge that you dropped off a package. Leave a business card. Take pictures.

KATHY ADAMS, REGION II VP, AND NATIONAL /TREASURER KATHERINE HENSLEY were attending meetings and could not attend our Federation meeting. Katherine Hensley requested volunteers to serve on committees but the request was not received by PA Federation.

WILLIAM KROUSE will place information on OMOV in the Federation Newsletter and his Chapter Newsletter. Here is where you can get information on OMOV. He would like to have input for the newsletter by the end of March, beginning of April.

The June Executive Board Meeting will be held at Comfort Suites in Grantville. Call to make your reservations by May 5th. The general membership will meet at 1:00 p.m.

George reminded the members that our Bylaws call for the naming of DVPs, not CDVPs. These are all appointments. New CDVPs may now order their new badges. Only one-third of our chapters have websites. New template is on line of website. It is simple to use.

We need to make Standing Rules. They do not have to be sent in to National. If you change your Bylaws, they must go to National for approval.

The next NEB Meeting will be held in Phoenix, AZ, on July 9-10, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia L. Giordano
Secretary

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