

NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
ZOOM
April 26, 2023

The meeting was **called to order** by President Linda Ingram at 10:07 AM.

Davidson II was asked to lead the **flag salute**.

A Moment of Silence was called for by President Ingram for all NARFE comrades who are facing various issue, including very bad weather.

Secretary Sandy Griffin was asked to **call the roll**.

Those present were:

President Linda Ingram	Executive Vice President Yoggi Riley
Secretary Sandy Griffin	Treasurer Gerald Hall
District I Vice President Robert N Davidson	District II Vice President Gregg Pericich
District III Vice President Gloria Deets-Breyer	District IV Vice President Ronald Griffin
District V Vice President Pauline Jue	District VIII Vice President Stephen Smith
Immediate Past President Dee Shallenberger	Regional Vice President Robert Ruskamp
Parliamentarian Ed Shallenberger	National Legislative Chair Steve Walter
District Vice President at Large Robert Davidson II	

All expected board members were there.

Agenda Review: President Ingram said that she had added some items to the previous agenda to use today.

Minutes Review: The minutes for the April 20, 2023, minutes were approved.

Next Meeting: The last board meeting before gathering in San Luis Obispo will be on May 3rd at 10:00 AM.

Treasurer's Report: Payments for ads were discussed. Convention co-chair Steve Walter said that he has a list of twenty-five chapters that have sent ads and had the checks for them. He sent them to Treasurer Jerry Hall. Treasurer Hall said that he has not gotten checks from company ad sponsors. He also still needs per capita checks from Southeast_ Downey and Feather River_Quincy.

2023 Convention Committee Report: Co-chair Ron Griffin will send the vendors' names to Treasurer Hall to be registered so he can have a lunch count. Ron asked a logistical question, can he rent a van as it is usually cheaper to rent than be reimbursed for mileage with the distance he and Sandy have to go, and he will be bringing a lot of boxes and supplies that need to fit in. He was given the okay. Another question was whether coffee is necessary for the before and after

board meetings, and the answer was no. It is available to make in our rooms and is served with breakfast up to 10:00. He reminded the board that their help is needed to stuff the convention bags on Sunday evening (May 7) between 5:00 and 6:00 PM, in one of the rooms by the registration area.

Ron reported that Richard Gracey had called to tell him that he had ordered notebooks for us. They will have our Federation logo on them and the Blue Cross logo. They will be sent to Ron. Ron also reported that Herb Casey called to let him know that he has had a change in plans. He will be in SLO on Monday and now has to leave early on Wednesday morning. Ron will pick him up and possibly return him to the airport. Ron said that he still has to call the Madonna Inn to make dinner reservations for Tuesday evening. He will also contact Sandy Wirick to ask for early check-ins for He and Sandy, Linda Ingram, and William Shackelford.

Co-chair Steve Walter said that he is having the **convention program books** sent to him so he will deliver them to SLO on Sunday to be placed in the convention bags.

Ron asked Treasurer Hall to have a check available for the color guard Tuesday morning, and on Wednesday he needs a check for \$400.00 for the band. A motion was made by DVP Robert Davidson to give \$200.00 to the Templeton American Legion Post 220 for being our color guard. Executive Vice President Yoggi Riley seconded the motion and it passed.

Yoggi Riley asked for the DVPs to ask them to send any outstanding donations for Alzheimer's to the convention. It was suggested that she should talk to Connie Vickers, the California Federation Alzheimer's chair, to find out how these donations should be passed on to be recorded for our Federation.

President Ingram asked about the **program books** and if there were any problems with getting them. Steve Walter said that they were sent in to print on Monday and will be delivered by 4-day ground shipping. He will get them on the following Thursday or Friday. DVP I, Bylaw and Resolution Chairman Robert Davidson said that he is having the one resolution that was submitted, the committee analysis, and the current Bylaws copied and stapled. Robert Davidson II will deliver them to the hotel on Sunday to be put in the convention bags. DVP I Davidson said that as far as posting ahead of the convention, we should only do what the bylaws require.

Steve Walter wanted to discuss signs like he had made for the previous convention, and he was told to go ahead and get them.

Secretary Griffin was asked to make one hundred copies of the questionnaire that Herb Casey had sent to Steve Walter. Steve also said that he has made CDs with copies of the pictures from the last convention.

Robert Davidson II asked about seating in the main convention meetings. It will be by Districts and Ron Griffin said he would make a seating chart. There will be signs on the tables.

Ron Griffin asked Regional Vice President Robert Ruskamp to be prepared to install the Executive officers and DVPs at the banquet on Wednesday evening.

President Ingram wants to have a preconvention rehearsal, including use of equipment on Monday.

Silent Auction Baskets: Ron will get together with Gregg Pericich to plan the procedure. The baskets need to be signed in on Monday between 5:00 and 6:00, with the value, the increments of bid increases, and who is donating them. They will be on display on a table in the convention room Tuesday and Wednesday until the end of lunch time.

Gregg said he could bring his portable microphone for use during the Reception on Monday night.

Recognition Lunch: DVP III Gloria Deets-Breyer had sent invitations to the living past presidents and to the surviving spouses of deceased past presidents. Helen Zajac was the only one she had heard back from at this time.

Sandy is going to take care of the flowers for the memorial ceremony and the banquet. Gloria has contacted National to get the information needed on numbers of members who have passed away in the past two years, including both chapter members and national only. She was still waiting to hear back.

Awards: Treasurer Jerry Hall will have Pauline Jue help him write checks for the membership recruitment awards since he broke his shoulder.

Nominating Committee and Bylaws Committee: We had a discussion about voting. Any amendments to any proposed bylaw amendments or resolutions need to be presented in writing on a Form 18, and the amendment needs to be voted on first, then back to the original for a vote. Treasurer Hall agreed with President Ingram that for the future, we do need to have a discussion about voting and getting our bylaws understood. We could possibly use the referendum process to get something to a vote by members not necessarily in a convention setting.

There was consensus that we feel that the one resolution currently proposed is wrong for us but the need for discussion is right about improvement on our voting system.

Robert Davidson II clarified the nomination and election procedures that he presented. He will work on them a bit more and have us review them for the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Griffin
CSF Secretary