## NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

May 8, 2023

Embassy Suites Hotel, San Luis Obispo, California

The meeting was **called to order** by President Linda Ingram at 9:24 AM. She introduced William Shackelford, the National NARFE President. She announced that we would be continuing the agenda that was created for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

President Ingram asked DVP II, Gregg Pericich to lead the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Roll Call: A list was passed for attendees to add their cell phone numbers and hotel room numbers for use in case of emergency.

Those Present:

President Linda Ingram Executive Vice President Yoggi Riley

Secretary Sandy Griffin Treasurer Gerald Hall

District II Vice President Gregg Pericich District III Gloria Deets-Breyer

District IV Vice President Ronald Griffin District VIII Vice President Stephen Smith

Immediate Past President Dee Shallenberger Parliamentarian Ed Shallenberger DVP At Large Robert Davidson II

Legislative Chair Steve Walter

Guests

Jim Mathews Joe Breyer

Those Not Present:

District I Robert N Davidson District V Vice President Pauline Jue

District VI Vice President Dottie Schmidt District VII Vacant

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 11, 2023

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Gerald Hall reported on the convention sponsors who have paid, including Blue Cross. Twenty five chapters submitted ads. Jerry is the Convention Treasurer as well as the Federation Treasurer, and has created some new categories to help keep more accurate tabs on what are convention expenses. National will still send the payments for Aetna and Brookdale.

**Introductions:** The attendees introduced themselves and their positions for William Shackelford.

When Treasurer Hall introduced himself, he talked about drawings and numbers of people who have done Dues Withholding and participated in the Recruit Just One membership campaign. He and President Ingram did a virtual drawing to select winners in these two programs. Names will

be announced at the Recognition Lunch. Convention co-chair Ron Griffin talked about the Silent Auction Baskets.

**District Caucuses:** The open Districts for DVPs are I, VI, VII. District I and III will meet together for caucus. San Diego is the largest Chapter with over 600 members but wants to close.

We discussed national only members. Districts need to be able to let all members know what is going on, but without letting chapters contact too much. We also discussed renewals and all other things National takes care of and President Shackelford told us what some of the staff responsibilities are.

President Ingram felt that wording in the National Bylaws needs to give Federations more authority over Chapters. Some closing chapters do not understand that the money in their treasuries need to be used to pay per capita dues and then follow the members with the rest of the funds, either to chapters for those who choose a chapter or to the Federation for those who choose national only membership.

President Ingram asked Legislative Chair/Convention Co-chair Steve Walter about Representative Panetta's possible presentation. Steve said that again the Chief of Staff said they would get back to us. President Ingram suggested that if Panetta does not come through, we could use that time to have Regional Vice Presidents Robert Ruskamp (VIII) and Sharon Reese (VII) speak.

## Break for lunch 11:45. Back after lunch at 1:44.

President Ingram reminded us of the rehearsal for the Memorial Service at the Recognition Lunch.

John Hatton's presentation time will be from 9:15 to 10:00.

**Per Capita:** There was a discussion about per Capita dues. President Ingram feels that we need to review per capita in relation to national only members and voting.

**Bylaws Committee report:** There was a discussion about reasons the submitted resolution should not pass.

Convention Rules will be announced and voted on from 9:45 to 10:00 but will be carried over to Wednesday if necessary.

**Agenda for Tuesday:** We talked through the schedule as printed to verify it should work. On Wednesday, John Hatton is scheduled to speak to the convention attendees by Zoom from 9:15 to 10:00 AM. Time will be allowed for questions.

On Tuesday afternoon, from 1:30 TO 2:00, Co-chair Ron Griffin will talk about and introduce the hotel staff and vendors. The vendors will have a few minutes to speak.

Workshop options will be explained.

Robert Davidson II, the Nominations and Elections Chair will explain the caucuses.

There was a suggestion that the silent auction baskets should be put in the storage room after the caucuses.

Forney Lundy was told about the Recognition Lunch rehearsal as he would be master of ceremonies.

Agenda for Wednesday: The annual meeting section of the agenda will include the President's Report, the Treasurer's Report, results of the DVP elections in the caucuses given by Robert Davidson II, and the nominations for the Federation Executive Officers, also officiated by Robert Davidson as Nominations and Elections Chair. Bylaws and Resolutions will be officiated by DVP VIII as a member for that committee, in the absence of the committee chair, Robert N. Davidson (Old Bob). We discussed various scenarios of what could happen.

If the business part of the agenda is finished before the lunch break, we could have an open microphone time. President Shackelford could give a presentation about NARFE PAC, and an Alzheimer's report could be given.

There could be other announcements and then the closing, including the retire the colors ceremony.

Following the formal adjournment of the convention, the winners of the silent auction baskets and other vendor prizes will be announced.

The board meeting was adjourned to move to the ballroom to rehearse the Memorial Service and other parts of the Recognition Lunch.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Griffin CA Federation Secretary