

NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES
ZOOM
February 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Ingram at 10:07 A.M. The flag salute was led by DVP IV Ron Griffin. This was followed by a moment of silence for health problems among our board.

President Ingram asked Secretary Sandy Griffin to call the roll.

Those present were:

President Linda Ingram	Secretary Sandy Griffin
Treasurer Gerald Hall	District I Vice President Robert Davidson
District III Vice President Gloria Deets-Breyer	District IV Vice President Ron Griffin
District VIII Vice President Stephen Smith	Regional Vice President Robert Ruskamp
District Vice President At Large Robert Davidson II	Legislative Chair Steve Walter

Those not present:

Executive Vice President Yoggi Riley	District II Vice President Gregg Pericich
District V Vice President Pauline Jue	District IV Vice President Dottie Schmidt
Immediate Past President Dee Shallenberger	Parliamentarian Ed Shallenberger

Redistricting: President Ingram said we need to try to do this before the convention. Ron Griffin said he would represent the north and Robert Davidson II said he would represent the south.

Agenda Review: Redistricting

Next Meeting Date: March 7, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

Minutes Review: Minutes for January 9, 2023, were approved.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Hall reported that currently there is \$148,315.02 in the checking account, \$130.98 in adobe program, \$20.00 went for State tax filing and Treasurer Hall explained a problem with the IRS. We also have \$50,219.61 in a 13-month CD, and \$50,219.61 in a 25-month CD. These amounts were for the end of January. He also reported that 22 chapters have paid their per capita dues.

There was a discussion of money due to someone who asked why we ask for per capita dues. We do subsidize the convention by charging a lower registration fee than would really cover costs, and the meal costs are also subsidized so registrants do not pay full costs.

2023 Convention Committee Report: Co-chair Ron Griffin reported that the invitation letter and the registration form would be finalized the next day. Treasurer Hall said that we would mail only to the national only members who do not have email addresses on file. Chapter members without email should get their copy through their chapters. Ron reported that he had learned from Towanda Franklin at National Headquarters that the Federation President needs to send in a form requesting for the national President to attend the convention. There is a new National person handling convention sponsor requests. He had contact with the catering person at the hotel about the reception, which will be \$3,000. Kaiser will be asked to cover this cost. They paid \$2,000 last time. He has been trying to contact the Kaiser representative but has not heard back yet. He had contacted Nora, Sandy Mathias' cousin, about contacting the band from last time, and then he talked to Bobby Santa Cruz who said that he would like to do it for us again. Ron also talked to Herb Casey and put him in contact with Steve Walter so Steve could get more information from him for the program book and other needs.

A paragraph is needed about nominations and the election process. It was stated by DVP I Robert Davidson, who is the Resolutions and Bylaws Chairman, that "affiliated members" can run for office, and this means that they are Federation members who have paid their per capita dues, either chapter or national members. Also, for proposing resolutions and Bylaw amendments, Form 18 must be used. It can be found on the Federation website.

Convention co-chair Steve Walter said that he hopes to have graphics for the committee meeting that is to be the next day. He had talked to Herb Casey and found that his keynote would be divided between two parts with current employees and retired but Steve reminded him that more of the members are retired so he will focus more on them. Steve recommends that we schedule an hour for his talk. Workshop ideas were Medicare and Advantage plans. Another idea was Opportunities that come up with retirement and the transitions such as relocation and downsizing, and all the issues that come up with that. For the keynote, Herb hands out a questionnaire when people come in. Steve had suggested it be handed out at the registration table. Herb will do two workshops if we want him to.

President Ingram read a message from National President Shackelford saying that he would be at the convention and does have to give virtual speeches to two other federations on the 10th.

We will have to work out a way to make it possible for him to do that.

We will need Martha Raup for the AMS tutorial/workshop.

Treasurer Hall suggested that Ron Griffin contact President Shackelford to see what he would like to share in a workshop. Robert Davidson II suggested that we pay for upgraded Wi-Fi to help make President Shackelford's virtual speaking requirements successful.

Redistricting and Chapter situations: President Ingram asked Steve Walter if he has a map that shows chapter locations and where national only members are located. She wants to do a Zoom on redistricting with Ron Griffin and Robert Davidson II in time for district elections. This would include known/likely chapter closures, and evaluating national only membership by geographic

area. They would consider new DVP responsibilities for national only and chapters and redraw District lines.

DVP Reports/Chapters Trouble:

DVP I Robert Davidson reported the process of closing the San Diego chapter. Members are not supporting new President Tony Cerone. Their bylaws are hampering getting new officers. The bylaws say they have to have five officers, and people he hoped would step forward have not come through. Ken Anderson is having a negative effect.

DVP III Gloria Deets-Breyer reported that she went to Victorville the week before to the San Bernardino meeting and the ladies are still adamant that they are closing. They are having another meeting in March. Their meetings are only an hour long, per the president so not many make the trip.

Concerning Convention: Co-chair Ron Griffin said that he would sent an invitation to Regional Vice President Robert Ruskamp directly.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

**Respectfully submitted,
Federation Secretary
Sandy Griffin**