

NARFE Chapter 1192
Board Meeting Minutes, May 2, 2012
AMENDED

CALL TO ORDER President Don Binder called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m., Red Lion Hotel, Kennewick. Board members present: Lorie Bennett; Don and Mary Binder; Johanna Caylor; Nancy Crosby; Mable Rutt. Member Bill Hoyt was also at the meeting.

PROGRAMS – Upcoming

06/06/12 Recap of 2012 Washington State Federation Convention

(confirmed; convention attendees)

09/05/12 Elections: Candidates Running for Office (tentative, depending on whether a candidate vs. a staffer could attend; Don Binder will look at candidates running for local offices as other possibilities; also, a recap of the 2012 NARFE National Convention)

10/03/12 SHIBA – Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (confirmed – Marian DeLuca, local SHIBA volunteer coordinator or a member from her office will provide a presentation on selecting a healthcare provider, including Medicare; Mary Binder)

11/07/12 White Elephant Auction Fundraiser for NARFE Alzheimer's Research Fund
(confirmed; Bill Darke)

12/05/12 Holiday Entertainment – Val Wenner (confirmed; Mary Binder)

PROGRAMS – Future Ideas (New; brought forward)

Tri-Cities area gang task force (Board discussed revisiting this issue with a focus on the regional task force and/or the Yakima area female police officer who gave a presentation Larry and Johanna attended)

Medical Air Services Association – Chuck McNees (tentative as Chuck is not available until after March 2012; Don Binder said he'd write to Chuck for an update on his availability)

Emergency Management Representative (moved from February 2012; Don Binder will explore as a future option)

WSU Wine Science Center (Mary Binder; moved from May 2012; Mary recommended waiting until fall 2012 or winter/spring 2013 to allow for more development at the Center)

Fire and safety specialist

Neighborhood Watch (Dolores Rizzo suggestion)

Blue Mountain Wildlife, Pendleton; Alan Cliff, Native American spiritual leader

(Dolores Rizzo suggestion based on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, article, Tri-Cities Herald)

Seeing-eye dogs and/or police dogs and their roles (Dolores Rizzo suggestion)

American Cancer Society

Recycling opportunities in the Tri-Cities region (Mary Binder)

Umatilla Chemical Depot – closure update (Mary Binder; final update in late 2012 or in 2013, depending on closure activities and the schedule)

OFFICERS

President – Don Binder.

- May 14-16, WSFC Convention, Red Lion Hotel Vancouver on the Quay. Board members reviewed logistics and discussed: the back/forth e-mails Secretary Mary had with Convention planners regarding expectations for door prize and raffle – only door prize this year; the Chapter's door-prize donation – up to \$25 value – that Mary will put together; and, the Chapter's June meeting and providing members Convention highlights. To date, no proxies. The Chapter has 12 votes. Neither Don/Mary Binder nor Lorie Bennett will be at the June meeting; but, Mary will provide a Convention recap handout for Nancy and Johanna to use/members to have.
- NARFE's 32nd National Convention, August 26-30, Sparks/Reno. Board members reviewed logistics; approved using \$105.00 of the Chapter's budget Convention funds for a half-page ad in the Convention program; discussed having Johanna collect booster contributions at the June meeting and submit the results (Mary provided her the paperwork); discussed Mary submitting the delegate information. Johanna said new member Sandy Cook is considering attending the Convention; Johanna will keep us posted if Sandy decides to attend.

1st Vice President – Carl Gallion. No report.

2nd Vice President – Lorie Bennett. No report.

Secretary – Mary Binder.

- Members discussed having a Board meeting before June 5, if needed.
- Summer Board meeting, tentatively, Wednesday, August 22, Tri-City Country Club. Mary will confirm. **[Note: Mary confirmed the date/time with the Country Club after the meeting.]**

Treasurer – Nancy Crosby. No additional report.

District Vice President – Nancy Crosby. She'll be contacting her counterpart in Northeastern Oregon, Lyle Jensen.

COMMITTEES

Alzheimer's – Chairman Bill Darke. No additional report.

Caller Coordinator – Pam Griffin. No additional report.

Hospitality – Chairman Carl Gallion. No additional report.

Legislative – Co-chairs Don and Mary Binder. No additional report.

Membership – Chairman Johanna Caylor.

- Reviewed with the Board new members/visitors at the Chapter meeting, getting applications/dues withholding forms, challenges with reports, etc.
- Is trying to confirm the area summer schedule for health benefits providers.
- Mable Rutt suggested providing a free lunch to **individuals eligible for membership as a way to get them "in the door" for a Chapter meeting.** Don said this suggestion will be added to the Board's August agenda.

NARFE-PAC – Chairman Carl Gallion. No additional report.

Newsletter – Chairman Mary Binder. No additional report.

Parliamentarian – Mable Rutt. No report.

Public Relations – Chairman Mary Binder.

- June 15, 2012 Three Rivers Senior Life Show – Treasurer Nancy provided Mary Binder a check for the table registration; Mary will submit the paperwork. Nancy and Pam/Frank Griffin will provide NARFE coverage. Mary will send Nancy an e-mail with suggested items to have at the table based on last year's experience.
- Mary said she will be submitting the paperwork for matching funds from last year's and this year's events [to Federation PR Chairman Sam Cagle].

Service Office – Chairman Lorie Bennett. Lorie said Mary Goldie reported an individual from SHIBA (Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors) dropped brochures off at the Service Office based on a call she'd received from someone, but she could not remember the person's name. Mary Binder confirmed she'd talked with Marian DeLuca from the local SHIBA office about a presentation at the Chapter's October meeting. The brochures were most likely a result of that conversation

Sunshine Committee – Marcia Lingle/Nancy Crosby. Nancy said she believes Marci will be back in the area around mid May.

Website – Larry Williams. No report.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – Confirmed: Wednesday, August 22, 10:30 a.m., Tri-City Country Club.

MEETING ADJOURNED – 2:39 p.m.

Prepared by:

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Secretary