

**NARFE Chapter 1192**  
**Executive Board Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2010**  
**(Amended copy as of January 26, 2010)**

**CALL TO ORDER** President Nancy Crosby called the meeting to order, 1:35 p.m., Red Lion Hotel, Kennewick. Present: Nancy; Don Binder; Mary Binder; Bill Darke; Carl Gallion; Mary Goldie; Gary Hagedorn; Carolyn Reeploeg; Mable Rutt; Bob Stewart; and, Larry Williams.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**02/03/10** Sunset Gardens, life planning options to consider (Confirmed/Carl Gallion)

**03/03/10** Recycling options (Tentative; Mary Binder will explore getting a speaker for March)

**04/07/10** Terry/Kathy Maurer, antique appraisers (Confirmed/Johanna Caylor)

**05/05/10** Long-Term Care Policies (Tentative; Carolyn Reeploeg/Carl Gallion)

**Future program ideas** – Other program options under consideration (brought forward):

*Contacting OPM/other agencies* – what you/your family need to know/have

*Advanced Medical, Spaulding Business Park* (Mable Rutt said this is a new concept for the area)

*Social Security/Medicare and interface with healthcare plans* (Carl/Johanna)

*American Cancer Society*

*Area senior housing options* (Verneice Skinner/possible 2010 program; Nancy will call Verneice)

*Tri-Cities Wine Society or wine industry representatives* (Mary Binder)

**OFFICERS**

**President** – No report.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice president** – No report.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president** – No report.

**Secretary** – No report.

**Treasurer** – President Nancy and new treasurer, Bob Stewart, will meet during January to discuss treasurer duties, go to the bank to get Bob's name added as treasurer, etc. Nancy also said Joanne Shadel is scheduled to be back today and is committed to doing the audit of the Chapter's books.

**District Vice president** – Carl announced he can provide copies of the latest WSFC directory for a Board member who may need one. It was noted that Chapter 1192 information is still not correct.

**COMMITTEES**

**Alzheimer's** – Chairman Bill Darke reiterated that he'll look into why the checks written at the November fundraiser have not yet cleared individual's checking accounts.

**Hospitality** – Chairman Carl Gallion said the Chapter will cover the extra dollar per lunch for January, and reminded members that the hotel provides dessert as gratis. He also said that while he was able to negotiate away the \$75 per meeting set up charge the hotel proposed for this year, he expects that will again surface next year and he is not sure he'll be able to negotiate it away.

**Legislative** – No additional report.

**Membership** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Carl Gallion reported that Johanna contacted National and ordered the "distinguished member certificates" for those members at least 85 years of age and with at least 30 years NARFE membership; he has the certificates. There is a certificate, card and pin for members meeting the age and service requirements. The Board discussed how best to recognize these Chapter members. The Board proposed recognizing the local members at the Chapter's March or April meeting, including providing them lunch. Carl will provide the list of names to the Board members.

**NARFE-PAC** – No additional report.

**Newsletter** – President Nancy reported the mailing permit shared with the Richland VFW expired December 11. Nancy paid \$185 to cover the full cost of the permit (vs. the \$125 the Chapter had been paying with the VFW paying the balance) so the Chapter's January/February newsletter could be mailed. Johanna will check with the Richland VFW regarding that chapter paying a larger portion of the permit. Nancy also said the if we use the "Click-to-Mail" option, we can use our own permit, if we have one. Mary Binder suggested exploring using the Chapter's "g-mail" account to send out the newsletters vs. using an individual's personal e-mail account. **[Reminder: Articles are due the 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Friday, every other month. Articles are due to Mary Binder or Nancy Crosby by February 12 for the March/April newsletter. The remainder of the 2010 due-date schedule is: April 9;**

**June 11 (optional; use if we want to do a letter covering July/August); August 13; October 8; and, December 10. This allows for editing, production and distribution in a timely manner.]**

**Public Relations** – No additional report.

**Service Officers/Callers** – No additional report.

**Sunshine Committee** – No additional report.

**Web site** – Chairman Larry Williams will post the monthly lunch menus on the Chapter's Web site and will add all "matrix" names so members can have those names/contact information.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**NARFE Dues Referendum** – Did not pass; unsure if it will surface at NARFE's national convention later this year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**WSFC Convention** – The convention packet is expected to be mailed in January; nomination application forms for WSFC executive positions are due by March 15. Rex Tauscher has stated he will not run again for treasurer.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** – 2:12 p.m.

**Prepared by:**

*Mary Alice Binder, Secretary*