



MISSISSIPPI STATE NARFE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

October 26, 2007

The Steam Room Grill, Jackson

Mississippi State Federation President Mary Pierson called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

Chaplain Lamar Warnock offered the prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mary welcomed the members and guest to the meeting.

Jimmie Glydewell asked for expense reports to reimburse mileage to the meeting.

Mary continued with introduction of members and chapters.

Jerry Janci (MS State Federation Membership Chair) reported on the NARFE Membership 2008 Integrated Operating Plan for Recruitment and Retention. Major goals are to track transfers of members and start a dues deduction program. (Please see attached report outline.)

Mary presented a report on the FEEA contributions with a goal of \$1000 per year. This fund helps members with grants in emergencies and disasters. With 3600 members in Mississippi, this is only \$1 per member.

District Reports:

1. Tucker Russell – Met with Jacinto Chapter 1879 and worked with groups in Waveland for Katrina projects. (Please see attached report).

2. Jewel Lockhart – Assisted South Jackson Chapter 247 on attendance and membership losses as well as working with Boy Scouts, Habitat for Humanity and Boys and Girls Club Board President (Please see attached report).
3. James Sawyer – Visit Rep. Chip Pickering’s office in Pearl and met with Chapter 1208 in the Wing Dang Doodle Festival in Forest, raising \$540 for Alzheimer’s. (Please see attached report).
4. Ellawese McLendon: Met with Chapter 1729 on reorganizing in Diamondhead and visited with Chapter 2345 at Stennis Space Center. (Please see attached report).

Noel Sumrall presented a report on several important bills: HR 1110/ S277 and S 773. He emphasized contacting the state representatives and senators to sign as co-sponsors. Major continuing lobbying topics are:

1. Retirees COLA amount
2. Health Care Premium cost with Rep. Tom Davis (VA).
3. GPO/WEP in various House and Senate bills.

Johnny Page presented the Alzheimer’s Report with the amount of \$4160.75 with several checks mailed directly to National. NARFE National has passed the \$7 million goal for the Alzheimers Fund. Mississippi was 4th in fund raising. (Please see attached report).

Mazine Winstead presented the NARFE-PAC report with MS contributing \$1245 and selling PAC pins for \$20. As a separate issue, she has researched NARFE membership rolls as to who should be honorary members (85 years old and 20 years membership) and found Mississippi chapters have 18 to 20 members. (Please see attached report).

Jimmie Glydewell presented the Treasurer’s Report of \$20,451.99 at the end of September. He commended Roy for the great record keeping and file organization, making it easy to pick up the Treasurer’s duties. Jimmie will use Quicken to maintain the monthly records with Keesler statements and backups for duplicate file copies.

Mary reported on the new IRS Form 990 N epostcard filing requirement for all non-profit organizations. Each Chapter should have an EIN; if this information has been lost, the NARFE National Treasurer’s office may have it on file. More will be discussed at the February meeting.

Mary has invited several National officers to visit the state convention: Eleanor Secular with the Alzheimer Fund office and Virginia Halsey with FEEA.

Tom Price presented a package of resolutions for the 42nd Mississippi Federation convention and the next NARFE National Convention in Louisville, KY. (Please see attached package.) In summary, resolutions address change in salary for National officers, name change to include “Active” in the title for the Constitution, proposal for

moving the annual convention around the state and a constitutional change on the term of the state officers to 1 year vice 2 years.

Kenny Harrell proposed another resolution topic on an Emeritus Status and will work with Tom on such a resolution.

Mary stated the need to fill the state newsletter editor position at the next convention. A newsletter should be published in March.

The 42nd Mississippi State Convention will be held on April 20th to 22nd at Lake Tiak-O'Kata. Mary has extended invitations to Margaret Baptiste, NARFE National President, Nat Brown, NARFE National Secretary, Dick Ostergren, NARFE National Treasurer, and Judy Parks, one of the staff members for Legislation.

Attendance:

Johnny Page	#1388/ Alzheimers' Chair
Noel Sumrall, Jr.	#1388 and 1 st VP/ Legislative Chair
Jesse McDonald	#968
Sharon McDonald	#968/ Secretary
Shirley Sawyer	#1208
James Sawyer	#1208/ District 3
Ruth Lockhart	#345
Jewell Lockhart	#345/ District 2
Lamar Warnock	#1572/ President/ State Federation Chaplain
Ellawese McLendon	#670/ District 4
Tom Baroni	#1501/ Secretary
Harry Moore	#1571/ Treasurer and Service Officer
Diane Moore	#1571
Tucker Russell	#1879/ District 1
Ann Hankins	#247/ President
Mazine Winstead	#1251/ NARFE PAC Chair
Elmo Winstead	#1251
Susan Newton	#1572/ Secretary
Gerald Janci	#1659/ President/ 2 nd VP/ Membership Chair
Mary Pierson	#209/ President and State Federation President
Donnie Pierson	#209/ State Federation Sergeant-at-Arms
Carl Stewart	#1388
Marie Renaud	#1501
Kenny Harrell	#670/ President/ MS State Federation Parliamentarian
Jimmie Glydewell	#2345/ President/ MS State Treasurer
Bettye Glydewell	#2345
Dianne Davis	#1149
Maggie Patterson	#1149
Erma Whittman	#1149
Hubert Mizzel	#670