

## NATIONAL DUSTERS, QUADS & SEARCHLIGHT'S ASSOCIATION INC. Minutes of NDQSA Annual Business Meeting MAY 18,2019 Mobile Alabama

At 9:01 a.m. CST Saturday President Bob Cuce commenced the annual Business Meeting of the National Duster Quads and Searchlights Association at the Renaissance Riverview Hotel. The meeting began with recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to America. The unit Historian then conducted the membership roll call and recorded 83 men present for the meeting and a total of 102 were in attendance at the reunion. Bob Cuce asked everyone that was new to rise and introduce themselves. They were loudly applauded and welcomed to the organization.

<u>Secretary's Minutes</u>: The Annual Business Meeting Minutes from the Gettysburg Pennsylvania Business Meeting had been placed on chairs in the meeting room prior to the meeting by Secretary Garry Severin. President Bob Cuce called for the reading of the minutes from last year's business meeting. Joe Belardo made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Paul Hanson seconded the motion, and the membership approved the minutes with no amendments. No dissenting votes were cast.

<u>Treasurer's report:</u> Allan Penwell reported that a loss of \$3467.00 at last year's reunion due to costs associated to the president's reception and postal costs for an increased cost in mailing of an additional newsletter this year. A Motion to accept as written was made by Joe Belardo and seconded by Paul Hanson the Motion carried with no dissention noted.

Nominating Committee: Joe Belardo asked if there were any new members who had not cast their votes as there were six new members that signed in this year. All the new members attended the Business meeting. Paul Kopsick sent out five hundred and twenty-five ballots with three hundred and forty-one being returned. There were four write in votes and One vote had no signature. Seven positions were available, with twelve candidate's running for a position on the Board of Directors In order of votes cast for each candidate Bruce Geiger, Joe Belardo, Paul Hanson, Bob Lauver, Duane Gettler, Luke Clark, and George Nagelschmidt, were elected to the Board.

<u>Historian Report.</u>: Paul Kopsick also reminded the members that there would be another open house at the tank farm in September in Virginia. Contact Paul Kopsick for more detailed information.

Good Works Committee (Sam Hopkins, Bob Cuce & Bruce Geiger): The BOD voted to use Good Works donations to fund the memorial restoration at FT. Sill if needed. Vince Tedesco reported that the Army would not be involved as this project was not theirs's to begin with. These repairs have been quoted as costing us 12,500 dollars. The good news being the repairs were done for one thousand four hundred dollars by a local monument contractor Mr. D. Gragg, who will be honored at the banquet next year.

<u>Product Sales:</u> A proposal to add a hooded sweatshirt to the inventory was well received by the membership and will be investigated.

2020 Reunion Decision (Bob Lauver): Bruce Geiger spoke on next year's reunion site, the 2020 reunion will be held at Oklahoma City, the venue has not been set. FT. Sill Oklahoma will host a Grand Opening of the ADA Museum, the date has yet to be announced. A motion was made by Vince Tedesco and seconded by Bob Lauver to investigate the possibility of having Gary Sinese be a guest speaker at reunion banquet, this motion passed without dissention. Vince Tedesco will investigate if this could be possible. Bob Lauver spoke on time limitations for trips and parties. Thirteen free rooms and a one-hundred-dollar gift certificate were awarded before the reunion ended.

A Motion to close meeting was made by Bob Lauver and seconded by Paul Hanson and was approved by the membership with no dissention noted. The meeting closed at 10:40 Am.

Minutes compiled by

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