

Members Report NDQSA Board of Directors Meeting January 9, 2023

The NDQSA Board of Directors met in a 2-hour teleconference session on January 9, 2023. This was a regular meeting with the primary agenda of continued planning for the 2023 reunion with its information to be published in this newsletter, the board director election, and resolving association fiscal requirements.

NDQSA has its finance books and records inspected annually by an independent accounting firm. They have withdrawn from our agreement and replacement by a commercial firm will be too costly. An independent committee of association members who are accountants, and have the necessary skills to review our financial books, has been established to accomplish this annual audit.

NDQSA has terminated its special projects donation arrangement with History Fanatics and with the Americans in Wartime Museum's Tank Farm. The remaining earmarked Quad 50 restoration funds and searchlight jeep acquisition funds are being released to the general fund so they can be better managed and committed toward the Fort Sill NDQSA memorial and other heritage related projects.

Significant improvements are going to be made in the ballot and election process to incorporate best practice procedures. The nominating/election committee and the publication committee will work together to set the standards and structure. Applicant qualifications will be published in the next newsletter as well as provided with the ballot package.

One of the important repositories of NDQSA member history is the Vietnam Center and Archive at Texas Tech University. As part of our heritage preservation, members are encouraged to participate in their oral history program. Contact Kelly Crager, PhD Head, Oral History Project, at (806) 834-4834. Newsletters containing member's life stories and recollections from Vietnam are being donated with copyright release, so they are usable to the public for research.