

Alternate National Trustee Report

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By Ethan A. Stewart, Sr.

It was my great pleasure to represent the Connecticut Society as Alternate Trustee at Leadership. What a wonderful experience it was to see how organized the meetings were and all the wonderful people that I met. I was able to hand out some of our Historic Preservation Pins which were received with great enthusiasm. Everyone that I gave a pin to put it on right away. First time attendees received a tour of the Headquarters and Museum. The Library was very extensive and the museum is off to a good start with many donations from members around the country.

As your Trustee I attended 5 different Committee meetings.

Medals & Awards: They talked about the Grave Marking Medal and about the Color Guard double dipping and taking credit for both a grave marking and color guard event when only one event is allowed. They also discussed the new Benjamin Franklin medal for donations to the library.

Veterans Committee: The conversation was about receiving donations from the GWEF for Veterans awards.

Genealogy Committee: They want to change the paper size for applications from legal at 8.5 by 14 and make it standard size at 8.5 by 11. The reason for this is to save room in their storage area.

Patriot Records Committee: They have had a very successful year with a large number of volunteers imputing records. I have also joined this committee as a volunteer.

Membership Committee: National had 4,000 new members this year and had 4,000 drops. Out of the drops they reinstated 315 members so we only grew by 315 members. They talked about offering \$1000. to a state with the most new members. This would be based on the percentage of population. There was a discussion on how to retain new members. Some of the highlights were to give new members a list of activities that the branch & state have done. Also make out a questioner of what the new member would be interested in or goals.

Trustee Meeting: We voted to approve the following.

1. Approved the minutes for July 5, 2019 meeting.
2. Phase 2 of the Solid Light Contract (education) will be adding details at no extra cost.
3. The Stamp Committee Fund was closed and the funds were reallocated to the 250th Anniversary Fund.

4. \$10,000. will be transferred from the unused King's College Fund to upgrade the finance software to allow for merchandise sales to be captured when entered by the store.
5. Allocation of funds from the Alexander Hamilton Fund to Member Database.
6. Approved the 2020 budget.
7. We also approved the equal distribution of all new donations into the George Washington Endowment Fund be broken up into the 3 funds that make up the GWEF.

Regards,

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