

Alternate Trustee Report

CTSSAR All Member Meeting

03 November 2018

The following took place during the Fall Leadership meetings in Louisville in late September.

The Board of Trustees approved the selection of Mission Data as the awardee under the Membership Database RFP. Mission Data will need a full week of work for the discovery phase. The discovery phase will begin with the local chapter users and end with the users at national. Work to begin in 2018 and possibly run into next spring. A written development plan is the expected result.

The Board of Trustees approved the 2019 budget as proposed by the Budget Committee.

Membership Statistics – Executive Director Don Shaw reported that as of 26 September 2018, membership was 36,762. New applications are being approved at 6 weeks and 3 days, Supplementals are at 10 weeks and 2 days. Most applications received in one month, this August with 458. Pended for the year are 354, about 8% of all 4,195 applications this year.

Memorial Membership and updated Reconciliation form – Registrar General Bruce Pickette reported that based on the Ex Com meeting of 11 Sept 2018, he has written an article for the upcoming SAR magazine on Memorial Memberships. The Annual Reconciliation form is online and has been emailed out to all the state secretaries.

Museum Board – Chairmen Kent Gregory had exciting news to share, they bought a replicate howitzer found by Bill Stone for \$5,000; plus \$500 to paint/cleanup and \$500 to transport. As far as artillery, we have two cannons from Saratoga and the museum is looking for a mortar or swivel cannon to fill out the collection. During the Friday leadership meetings, they had a display on the 3rd floor of their craved powder horns. Each leadership they will plan to have something on display from the collection.

Status of On-Line digitalized magazine – Librarian General Doug Collins noted that the magazines are now online, some issues with certificate were resolved. This process was started by Bruce Pickette and Bill Stone. Phase 2 is now complete with a searchable index for all magazines back to 1906. There can be found on the SAR magazine web page, which has a link to the old magazine folder to search. Under Sharefile there is a magazine sub directory with over 400 files for each magazine which can be downloaded. In addition, with the help of Steve Renouf, copies of the precursor to the SAR magazine, the Spirit of 1776 from 1894 to 1906 are also available. An SAR notice will be sent out to let the members know about availability of the online magazines.

The Board of Trustees approved changes submitted by the Handbook Committee to Volumes I through VIII of the NSSAR Handbook and authorize the Handbook Committee to finalize the volumes and publish them to the SAR Sharefile and website.

Medals and Awards Committee – Chairman Stephen Renouf reported that the description was changed on both the Compatriot and Patriot Grave Marking medals to clarify that “paying for the marker” be set at \$60 per marker for a compatriot to receive credit. The committee also approved two medals. The Washington Congress medal is a fundraiser for the 2012 SAR Congress host society. The Washington State Achievement medal is for specific achievement and will be funded and stocked by the WASSAR.

The Trustees approve the implementation of the new member application forms approved at congress become effective on October 31, 2018. Which includes the addition of the certification language and removing the children section.

Trustees approved Phase 2, Step 2 for the SAR Education Center and Museum at a cost figure of \$550,000 with Solid Light Inc.

The JROTC committee changed the 2nd Place award from \$1,500 to \$2,000; and added 4th and 5th places at \$200 each. A current nomination form was revised and made available of the website.

A proposal for the Battle of Bunker Hill to be recognized as an historic site or celebration was made before the Historic Sites & Celebrations committee. I will be following up on this with the hope that this is approved by the Spring leadership meetings in March 2019. Bunker hill will also need to be approved by the Color Guard Committee before it can become a Silver Color guard event once again.

Future Congresses: 2019 Costa Mesa, California
 2020 Richmond, Virginia
 2021 Seattle, Washington
 2022 open

Respectfully Submitted,

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