

G.A.R. Memorial Hall Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes July 12, 2016

National Guard Armory Room A, 50 Skyline Drive, Worcester, Massachusetts

Meeting Began at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Daniel McAuliffe, Linda Hixon, George Maple, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Timothy Boucher and Guest Robin Maple

Old Business:

1. Trustee Linda Hixon updated the Board on the progress of the books which were created by a team assembled by herself. The team consisted of students from Worcester State University who, along with herself and her son worked diligently for several months. The books were finally completed and mass produced by Worcester State University. The books themselves are biographies on the 398 soldiers who died during the Civil War and are memorialized on the Soldiers & Sailors Monument located on the Worcester Common. The books represent a lasting memory of the soldiers and a reminder of the existence of the monument itself.
 - a. Trustee Hixon will be interviewed by The Telegram & Gazette about the book as well as the rededication ceremony slated for Saturday July 16, 2016 at the Worcester Common.
 - b. Trustee Hixon also reported that a new descendant was located via the WSU website on the book.
 - c. Chairman Daniel McAuliffe reported that he had about 200 book left and that he had distributed about 90 to 100. Main distributions were to schools throughout the city as well as colleges/universities and City Hall (councilors/mayor).
2. The distribution of the books during the ceremony was discussed.
3. It was confirmed that as many as 5-6 descendants have committed to attend the ceremony.
4. Chairman McAuliffe read off a letter that he was going to send to each descendant with instructions.
5. The Board then discussed the details of the ceremony step-by-step.

New Business: NO NEW Business.

Being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6:45 pm

The next meeting will be determined and will be held at the National Guard Armory on Skyline Drive.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reynaldo Rodriguez

Secretary, GAR Memorial Hall Board of Trustees