



THE CUSHING ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 30 August 2026

Members in Attendance: Shannon V. Mickens, Gene Lavastida, Zach Trublood, Jon Moulton, Cat Bartrug

Members Absent: Amy Laetzsch

Reunion Planning (Gene)

- Gene provided an update on ongoing reunion research.
- He adjusted his planning timeline to align with the board-approved reunion date: **May 22, 2027**.
- He is scheduled to meet with a **potential vendor in September** to gather details on venue options and vendor support.
- A more detailed update will be presented at the **September meeting**.

Financial Discussion (Cat)

Cat provided a presentation on several financial topics, including:

- 2025–2026 service payments and costs
- Merchandise sales
- Current budget report and fiscal considerations
- Preliminary reunion budget
- Structuring the NFCU bank account and preparing required documentation signatures (Note: Shannon will need to become a member of NFCU to be able to sign documents).

Reunion Polling Next Steps (Jon)

- Jon presented the data results for reunion dates. He recommended that the board vote on the official reunion date.

Bylaws Review – Shannon Mickens

The bylaws were discussed but are not yet ready for approval.

The redline version is still under revision and will be reviewed again at a future meeting.

Website Update – Zach

- Zach provided an update on website development.
- He enhanced the membership form to improve tracking, dues management, and administrative efficiency.
- These updates are intended to help the organization stay organized and prepared for future needs.
- Once website decisions are finalized, Zach will train Amy on maintaining the membership tracking process.

Board-approved items:

- Official date for the 2027 Reunion – May 22, 2027
- Reimbursement form

Round Table Discussion

N/A

Action Items

- Gene: Continue venue outreach and prepare an updated report.
- Shannon: Research requirements for becoming an NFCU member.
- Board: Review outstanding documents and prepare for upcoming votes.
- The next meeting will be on September 27, 2026, at 6:00 PM Central Time.



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