



MEMORANDUM FOR NGA-NE Board of Governors

FROM: Jennifer Myers – Secretary

SUBJECT: Minutes of Board of Governors meeting on October 4, 2016.

**1. The National Guard Association of Nebraska (NGA-NE) conducted its monthly Board of Governors meeting on October 4, 2016 at The Watering Hole, 84<sup>th</sup> and Holdrege, Lincoln, NE**

**2. LTC Steve Petersen welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 1833.**

- Attached is a roster of the Board Officers and Unit Reps in attendance

**3. President's Report:**

- a. NGAUS Report – Looking for junior officers (LTs, CPTs, WO1s, or WO2s) who are interested in participating in a 1 year fellows program at the NGAUS headquarters in DC.
- b. Website – Russell Bartholow will begin updating the website with meetings, minutes and events.
- c. Donation Request Form was passed around and updates will be made.

**4. Secretary's Report: NSTR**

**5. Treasurer's Report: TURN IN ALL RECIEPTS ASAP TO MAJ KUTA**

- a. Currently \$60,308.14 in assets.
- b. Current budget (see attachment).

**6. Executive Director** – Steve Petersen reported notes in Russell Bartholow's absence.

a. Fall Dinner – 60 attendee limit, a link to Eventbrite.com has been sent out. The event will begin with a social mixer (cash bar) from 1800-1900, 1900-1915 business/announcements, 1915-1945 Key note speaker, and 1945-2000 closing comments. Discussion on nametags with first/last/air/army, would this be something the association would want/is it necessary?

b. Membership – Transition from state to national site. Cost is \$50 per month. Anyone signing up for a lifetime membership can show MAJ Kuta a receipt of payment and she will cut a reimbursement check. Currently both State and National sites are active. Direct new members/current members to utilize the new website when signing up or renewing.

- c. Annual Conference – February is busy month. Date TBD.

**7. Legislative Committee Report: Ryan McIntosh/ Dustin McKenna**

- a. Legislative Cocktail – Possible dates 31 January, 1, 2 or 7 of February. Waiting on TAG's availability to select a date.
- b. The cocktail will look a lot similar to what was done in the previous year.
- c. Ryan and Dustin will contact the military department regarding current military issues. Ryan will assist and help draft any new bills as long as they are received by 1 December 2016.

**8. Membership Committee Report: Jan Behn/Tom Golden**

a. Working on an IO campaign flyer/info sheet. This would target newly assessed officers. The goal is to send a welcome letter, thank you letter, comp up front for membership costs and send an invite to the Leadership Dinner on 26 OCT 2016.

- b. Establishing a social media platform for NGAUS awareness and how to become a member.

c. Book Club and Officer Clubs – Make sure commanders are emphasizing and working to bring junior Officers to these clubs.

d. Committee focusing on a systematic routine to include checklists, timelines for membership and will take a closer look at the budget to see how we can spend more on membership incentives/drives.

#### **9. 2016-2017 Events**

a. Tailgate, 1 October – very successful tailgate this year. Estimated around 400 attendees. Great job CPT Curto, LTC Petersen, MAJ Henrickson, LTC Behn, MAJ Hansen and wife, ENGAUS. Next year we will reassess the tables arrangement to incorporate more seating, look into purchasing a Keg, more stations to sign up for membership (more ipads).

b. Fall Leadership Dinner – see notes above.

c. Annual Meeting – need to get on BG Bohac's schedule. Looking at February or March timeframe. Any Awards that we would like to give need to be submitted now.

d. Golf Tournament – Do we still want May? POCs for the event will be Dustin McKenna, Josh Hruby and Jennifer Myers. The golf committee will touch base with Doug Carlson for continuity purposes.

#### **10. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Talked about having a Domestic operations event to pair with the Legislative Cocktail in late December or early January. Lots of discussion regarding different types of capabilities display and when the best time would be. Talked about potential for next year of doing a capabilities display around Veteran's Day or the NG Birthday. The Legislative Cocktail is a great time to meet lots of staffers at a neutral location. Regarding domestic operations/capabilities display is a military event. If requested, NGA may be able to provide a reception. (OPEN BUSINESS, table for future discussions).

b. Witulski suggested fun run for NEARNG/NEANG in Grand Island. She has spoken with William McGreer and they are looking to host at Boy Scout Island. (OPEN BUSINESS, more to follow next month).

#### **11. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Planning for next years NGAUS, OPD, pins, shirts, intro, logo (are we looking to rebrand?).

b. Jan Behn motioned for vote, \$100 will go towards paying postage of newly assessed officers welcome letter, thank you, and invitation to leadership dinner, Dustin McKenna seconded, unanimous pass.

#### **12. Meeting Adjourned 1933**

a. Next meeting 1 November 2016, The Watering Hole, 84<sup>th</sup> and Holdrege, Lincoln, NE. Committees at 1745/BOG at 1830

JENNIFER M. MYERS  
Secretary, NGA-NE

Member's Attendance:

Position	Name	Present
<b>Board Officers</b>		
Ex-Officio	Maj Gen Daryl Bohac	
President	LTC Steve Petersen	X
President-Elect	Lt Col Spencer Hansen	X
Secretary	CPT Jennifer Myers	X
Treasurer	MAJ Jocelyn Kuta	X
Executive Director	CPT Russell Bartholow	
Immediate Past-President	MAJ Scott Henrickson	X
<b>Committee Chairs</b>		
Legislative Chairs	CPT Ryan McIntosh & 1LT Dustin McKenna	X – Both
Membership Chairs	LTC Jan Behn & LTC Tom Golden	X – Both
State Conference Chair	VACANT	
<b>Unit Reps</b>		
JFHQ-Air	Maj Ginny Witulski	X
170th Group	Maj Jennifer Leavitt	
155th ARW	Col Stevenson	X
155th Maintenance Group		
155th Mission Support Group	Capt Mike Brodersen	
155th Operations Group		
ANG Company Grade Rep		
ANG Retiree Rep	Lt Gen (Ret) Roger Lempke	
JFHQ - ARNG	MAJ Zachary Labrayere	X MAJ Benes
92nd Troop Command	LTC Tom Golden	X
67th MEB	LTC Jan Behn	X
734th BSB		
209th RTI		
126th Chemical Battalion		
Med Det		
110th Medical Battalion	CPT Nicolas Curto	
402nd MP Battalion		
376th Aviation Battalion		
134th R&S Battalion	MAJ Shane York	X – Dustin McKenna
ARNG Company Grade Rep	CPT Josh Metcalf	X
ARNG Warrant Officer Rep		
ARNG Retiree Rep	CW5 (Ret)Bill Nelson	
EANGUS Rep	Mary Couture	