



MEMORANDUM FOR NGA-NE Board of Governors

FROM: Corrina Bartels - Secretary

SUBJECT: Minutes of Board of Governors (BOG) on July 7th, 2015

1. The National Guard Association of Nebraska (NGA-NE) conducted its monthly BOG meeting July 7, 2015 at Brewsky's Haymarket, Lincoln NE.

2. In addition to the attendees at the Executive Committee meeting, Maj Ginny Witulski was also present.

3. Meeting called to order at 1834.

4. President's Report:

2015 National Conference

- Review EXEC mtg discussion
- NGB-funded nominees – need to find out who Army selected; Air has individual named
- In past, NGA-NE funded 2X Army and 1X Air and suite (host of suite stayed in room but travel was not paid)
 - BOG allowed CGO to stay in suite to run it
 - Discussion: Should we do the same as last year (spent ~\$3800) or scale back and have one person chosen (out of 3 named) to run suite
 - Tabled vote until 4 August meeting; agreed to figure out budget first, then decide on funding for the conference
 - Come to meeting with nominations; names needed NLT 8 August
- More functional/informational schedule proposed for suite, conference attendance, etc.
- Delegate and Resolution Selections – Lt Doug Carlson created handout to provide folks prior to leaving to ensure all are informed; we'll have 16 delegates

Tailgate Party at Spirit of 76 Armory

- Possible dates – 3 Oct or 10 Oct

Leadership Dinner – Nov @ Embassy Suites

- Suggestion to make CGO event/social

OCS Request

- Graduation 8 Aug
- Motion to give \$250 dollars (to come out of CGO fund)
- Motion seconded
- APPROVED

Request from LTC Hunsberger

- Discussed request
- Motion to give \$250 to support social after COOP Exercise in August
- Motion seconded
- DISAPPROVED

5. Secretary's Report: NSTR – 1st Lt Bartels first meeting

6. Treasurer's Report: NSTR

\$41,000 loss

- Deposit from insurance (\$15,000) not included
- Early bird rebate not included (~\$12,500)

Since last meeting:

- Spring Conference and Golf Tourney expenditures made
- Achieved \$12,000 memberships goal
- Need to check when CD expires

Suggestion to review numbers again, specifically expenses / profit from golf tourney

7. Legislative Report: Lt Kramer for Maj Betty

- 13 Sep – date to submit proposal for governor's sponsor; if have issues to bring forward for TAG to champion, need to propose within next 2 weeks in order to have finalized by mid-August
- Fed side / Congressionals – Gen Bohac and Lt Kramer meeting delegation next week; social at General Kadavy's home; 3X socials in next week
- Governor's Agenda – committed to tax reform relief on military side; dependent on consensus to move forward
- No issues proposed by BOG at this time
 - Lt Kramer encouraged coming up with ideas; educating members, building relationships

8. Executive Director's Report:

Membership

- Doubled this year
- Exact % unknown due to added compensated memberships
- \$50,000 sent to NGAUS this year; budgeted \$24,000

Leadership Dinner – Nov

- Lt Carlson will call Austin suggesting Embassy Suites as venue
- Discussed making more of a social event; junior officer w/ mix of senior leadership
- Emphasize access to leadership as well as political aspects

Insurance Update

- Reviewed information presented during Executive Committee mtg
- American Equity willing to share story; every unit Lt Carlson has talked to likes them
- Way ahead? To be decided....in meantime, Lt Carlson will make some phone calls

Foundation Status

- Name has been approved; slow process

Spring Conference Date

- Lt Carlson proposed date change / different dates for golf tournament and conference
- Discussed availability of corporate sponsors
- Col Stevenson proposed late Feb Business Meeting and May Golf Tourney in Highlands the Friday before the airshow (1100-1500?) while the airshow is going on; invite corporate sponsors to BBQ in main hangar afterward
- Discussed possibility of NGA-NE purchasing VIP tent as opportunity to create revenue and recruiting opportunity

9. Proposed Schedule of Events for Upcoming Year (Col Stevenson):

6 Major Events

- FEB – Conference / Business Meeting

- MAY – Golf Tournament
 - Friday prior to Air show? Sponsorship opportunity emphasis/benefits
 - Request for Army Guard to participate more in Airshow
- AUG – National Conference
- SEP/OCT – Tailgate Party
- NOV – Fall Leadership Dinner
- JAN/FEB – Conference / Business Meeting

10. New Business:

Request for NGA-NE to support coat check during ANG Holiday Party, Embassy Suites (9 Jan)

- 2X kegs = \$954 + tax
- Free beer at coat check table; update NGA-NE memberships
- Discussed request; expense seemed high
- POC – Maj Ginny Witulski

Businesses Offering Discounts/Donations

- Blue Valley Meats – offering discounts to take items to conference
- Schilling Bridges – wine
- Thunderhead – beer
- POC – Maj Ginny Witulski

Officer's Club

- 14 July at LTC Behn's residence

Company Commander's/First Sergeant Conference Coming Up

- Spent ~550
- 6X Life memberships
- ~60 people in attendance

11. Old Business:

Gen Fago request for NGA-NE to pay \$10,000 for Legion of Lafayette

- Discussed need to turn current financial situation around
- Decided to table decision

12. Meeting adjourned at 1941. Next meeting on 4 Aug 15.

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