

MEMORANDUM FOR NGA-NE Board of Governors

FROM: Scott Henrickson – Secretary

SUBJECT: Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on March 25, 2014

1. The National Guard Association of Nebraska (NGA-NE) conducted its monthly Executive Committee meeting March 25, 2014 at the JFHQ, Lincoln, NE.

President	COL Brett Andersen	Absent
Vice-President	Col Bob Stevenson	Present
Secretary	MAJ Scott Henrickson	Present
Treasurer	LT Doug Carlson	Present
Executive Director	Dennis Hayward	Present
Past-President	Col Keith Schell	Present

2. Bob Stevenson welcomed everyone.

3. President's Report: Nothing significant to report.

4. Secretary's Report: March 6, 2014 Board of Governor Meeting Minutes were submitted to the Executive Committee on March 7, 2014.

5. Treasury Report: Nothing significant to report.

6. NGA Executive Report:

a. Membership: 72 Complimentary members, 1 Member transferred to another state, 6 New Life members NE, 2 Life, 4 partial life NGAUS, 84 members have paid annual NGAUS dues, 80 Members have paid annual State Dues. Total amount: \$8486 National, \$1767 State.

b. 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter lobbying report do after 31<sup>st</sup> of March.

7. 2014 Annual State Conference

a. Golf: HiMark

(1) POC: Dustin Guenther. No issues at this time.

(2) Registration via Eventbrite. 10 registered to date.

b. Business Meeting (April 26): will occur at JFHQ. POC: Brett Andersen

(1) Speakers: Grace Wasbourne: Legislative Affairs Manager, Joint Programs and Domestic Operations. Will also invite Congressman Adrain Smith, and Nebraska State Senators: Sue Crawford, Tommy Garrett, and Amanda McGill. Need to confirm RSVP status NLT next week. Will also look at possibility of Vicki Kramer being the NGA-NE POC for Ms. Wasbourne including dinner on April 25<sup>th</sup> and having a rental car available.

(2) Agenda will be finalized next week. Will include a segment at the end of the meeting for an open invitation for the Nebraska Gubernatorial candidates to facilitate a shared understanding. Furthermore, will also look to conduct a town hall meeting in Aug/Sep with the two primary candidates.

(3) Logistics: Food and Beverages will be handled by Pam Whisenhunt and Scott Henrickson.

(4) Proposed By Law changes:

i. If NGA-NE Association dissolves all funds will be placed in a trust until which time the Association is reestablished.

ii. Non-corporate/non-military service membership. Currently there is no ordinance for entities who wish to contribute to the Association as they are not a corporate sponsor or a military service member.

(5) Vendors for Saturday business meeting.

All Safe Industries: Vender space - Confirmed

MOAA: Venter Space - Confirmed

Spirit of America FCU: Confirmed

USAA: Confirmed

Blue Ox – Corporate Member - Confirmed

United Health Care Military & Veterans: pending

Phoenix University: Pending

c. Banquet (April 26): Will occur at the Wick Alumni Center. POC: Chris Shannon.

(1) Speakers: Will invite Governor Heineman along with Nebraska State Senators Bob Krist and Bill Avery. Also will look to present awards to each. Need to confirm RSVP status NLT next week.

(2) Award Nominations:

i. Governor Heineman award- TBD-possibly the BG Campbell Award

ii. Distinguished Service Award

(a.) Spirit of America FCU- Keith Schell

(b.) Nebraska State Senators Bob Krist and Bill Avery- Bob Stevenson

iii. Will present 1-Air and 1-Army Presidents award will poll BOG next week.

8. 2014 Annual National Conference

a. Information was recently sent to members regarding details of the 136<sup>th</sup> NGAUS.

(1) 2014 NGAUS Conference is August 22-25 in Chicago. Travel: Will charter a bus for conference attendees. More information will be provided at next BOG meeting.

(2) 23 rooms and one "State Suite" reserved at the Hyatt Regency.

9. Old Business:

a. NGA-NE pins: Will order 1000 NGA-NE pins in preparation for this year's National Conference and other NGA-NE activities. Currently waiting on final proof from vendor prior to ordering.

b. Brett Andersen was able to find a more cost effective vendor for the Nelson medallions which significantly decreased the price for 10 medallions to \$1,650. Therefore, a purchase was made for the 10 medallions.

10. New Business: Nothing significant to report.

11. Event Update:

a. There will be no April's Officer's Book Club as efforts will be directed to the NGA-NE Spring Conference. Officer's Book Club will kick off once again in May.

  
Scott Henrickson  
Secretary, NGA-NE