NGA-NE BOG Meeting Notes 5 Mar 19

1. Call to order: 1645 by Nicole Nuss at Spirit of 76 Armory

### 2. Roll Call:

Beckmann, Timothy - 67th MEB Guenther, Dustin - JFHQ Blackwell, Heath - 92nd TC Golden, Tom - 209th RTI Henrickson, Scott - ED Behn, Jan - JFHQ Petersen, Steve - 67th MEB Wolff, Jessica - Treasurer Goodwater, Greg - MSG Hruby, Joshua - 734th BSB Nuss, Nicole - President Strong, Craig -Whisenhunt, Pam - Enlisted Association

### 3. Presidents Report:

Conference Recap-Sustain the Social.

- Jan Behn stated to keep in conjunction with the leadership call is MG Bohac is good with it.
- too last minute. Effected attendance
- Room could be slightly bigger. Maybe take the big room and split in half.
- Music was great
- Maybe add some games
- 55 signed up on Eventbrite. 38 came. 7 additional showed but weren't registered.

**Tax update** - Association is looking at 2 different accountants to work the taxes. Looks like both can do it.

**Committee Discussion** - The president stated one of her goals was to increase involvement in not only membership but committees. A few concerns about committee meetings are:

- 1. Meetings conducted at lunch time is not within technicians policy to attend these.
- 2. There are complaints that AGRs are not following the same policy.
- 3. This excluded younger / Mday members from attending.
- 4. Committee chairs should consider those things when planning the meetings.

4. Secretary report: Report was passed around for review.

**5. Treasurer's Report:** Attached. Discussed the pros and cons of adjusting the fiscal year from July-June to a Oct-Sep or Jan-Dec time frame. Possibly ask the accountant what is best.

#### 6. Executive Director:

#### Capital Summits

- 10-12 March (CPT Curto)
- 14-16 July (Air Rep TBD/CPT Boring -if available)
- 27-29 October (LT Frengs, CPT Wolff, CPT McIntosh)

**Corporate Membership Update -** Checks were received from JEO \$5,000 and AFBA \$500.

### Social Media Committee -No discussion

Accountant - Steve Peterson provided information to the accountants

**Awards** - Awards for Domeier, Hansen, Chuck and Jan Matzke for Museum, Val and CW5 Hansel from 2018 have not been given out. Will look at giving out at the next retiree council meeting or next year's Spring Conference.

**Locking in NGA-NE events 1 yr out** - Scott Henrickson is already working with TAG and next year's event. Russ Barthalow is sending out a survey regarding the leadership call. Talked about potentially aligning with next year's YTBs.

## 7. Legislative Committee Report:

- COL Gray will volunteer
- LB 450 an LB 223 is in the final resolution

### 8. Membership Committee Report:

- Jan Behn mentioned how (the Cav?) signs up new members. The (AO/Commander) talks to each Officer about joining the association. If they sign up, good. If they opt out, they need to get on the (AO/Commander) calendar and talk about why they don't want to join. This provides an opportunity to talk to them one on one and find why they are opposed to joining. Maybe address bigger issue.

- We need to make sure not to miss the "Free Bees". How do we go about capturing these members? How do we get new commissioned officer and new officers to the state to sign up.

- OSM gets a list to NGAUS BOG.
- BOG Rep and Commander double tap
- AOs are the "whips" with the initial contact.

- The list should be sent to the BOG rep and CC the AO. The first contact should be in person and a follow up in 30 days.

- Dan Benes and Rachel Hofstra will volunteer

9. Events Committee: Nick Curto and Rachel Hofstra will volunteer

**10. EANGUS Report:** Pam Whisenhunt and Shawn Griffith just returned from the Enlisted Association Legislative Workshop in DC. They were able to visit with all the Nebraska Delegation to discuss legislation. Pam Whisenhunt also requested funds to send Enlisted members to the National Conference in Des Moines 4-7 August. The BOG discussed and will vote on it next meeting.

**11. Retiree Council Report:** Craig Strong talked to CW5 (Ret) Nelson and the group of retirees at Virginias this month. He recommended the past president be in responsible for retiree initiatives. Craig talked to Dennis Hartman about contacting retirees in the future. Dennis has already addressed the issue and updated the retiree out processing checklist. Retirees can check the block for the Associations to make contact with them. So when it comes time to recognize them or invite them to meetings, the data will be there. There is a retiree recognition in Seward on May 11th.

#### 12. Upcoming Events:

Insurance Trust 29-31 March Orlando, FL - Scott Henrickson will be attending

**Golf Tournament 23 May** - Heath Blackwell did the coordination with Hidden Valley Golf course. Discussed the minimum entry fee of \$42 to cover basic costs. Discussed the pros and cons of raising the entry fee from last year. There was a motion to make the entry fee \$75 for members and \$90 for non members. All voted for, none were against. Motion was carried. Craig Strong suggested for the silent auction this year to auction off "experiences" ie wine tasting, weekend on a yacht, breakfast with (insert big name). The group discussed placing a minimum bid on items as well as a "buy right now" price. Craig will work with Nick Curto and Rachel Hofstra on the auction.

**NGAUS 30 Aug-2 Sep Denver CO** - The group discussed the options of having our own room, joining in the Big 10 room (at a Mexican restaurant) or joining western states (at a bowling alley). There was a motion to do our own hospitality room. All voted for, none were against. Motion was carried.

**Fall Leadership Dinner 8 Nov** - The Talon room worked well last year. Recommend using again. There was discussion about doing a company grade event during the day of the leadership diner. Hoping that would encourage them to stay for the diner.

**2020 State Conference Feb/Mar** - Scott Henrickson is working with TAG on dates. TBD **Tailgate** - Need to start thinking about which game to tailgate off. Looks like there will be a couple good options.

# Old Business:

NGAUS Polo Shirts - available for purchase for \$35.

**Active Life Membership** - still discounted 20% (\$800). This doesn't include the State dues. Need to remember to pay the \$100 to Nebraska.

**Conference Pins -** Need to order pins. Discussion to do a Bugeater theme pin. Liz might have a design.

## **New Business:**

**Insurance Program** - Steve Peterson brought up the need to talk about renewing the program or supporting it as an association.

Next Meetings: April 2nd at 155th ARW Headquarters May 7th at 92nd Troop Command (Penterman)

Meeting adjourned 1805