

2017 NGAND Annual Membership Meeting – State Conference – Minutes
Bismarck, North Dakota – 18MAR17

- 31 Voting Members present; 0 non-voting members present

Vacancies and changes

- Chair (Air) – Roy Thomsen
- Chair Elect Chair – Stan Brown
- Vice Chair (Air) - Vacant
- 164 RTI - Vacant
- 164 EN BN - Vacant

(BG Beckland, Maj Anderson) nominate Major Lee Teigan as Vice Chair
(Maj Voeller, Col Wolf) nominate CPT Chance Schaffner for RTI
(Maj Voeller, CPT Brown) nominate 1LT Dave Stein for 164 EN BN

Tax Exemption-military guard pay:

Last year 2016:

LTC Olson-thinks that we are sending too many initiatives to the legislature, thinks that we should put our weight behind the one we really care about may be a better plan, also stated that he thinks the Tax Exemption is the most important bill to pass.

MAJ Larson-agrees with LTC Olson on simplifying to one bill. Thinks we should start supporting other legislation to build street credit.

Incentive for retirees and current guard members on cutting the income tax for our state Soldiers.

This Year 2017:

MG Dohrman: explained that we want to bump up Army Tuition Assistance and also he see's issues with getting the Tax Exemption this year. We need to contact our legislators and start sooner than later.

What if we can just wave schooling rather than do all the paperwork for Go Army Ed. Tuition waver rather than Tuition Assistance.

BG Anderson: explained how UMARY would not like the waiver system because of how they run their scholarships.

Issues to consider this next year:

Tuition issues, Tax free issues, Tax free for retirees

Maj Voeller thinks we need to back something

Idea is the Free License Plates.

Members did not feel the same way

Effort to expand CGTC South or back the bills of BG Dohrman

LTC Wolf: thinks we should be picking a priority that is focused

CGTC South and Tuition Assistance are extremely important to the TAG and our association, If this is our plan we shall continue the discussion for the next year.

Legislative:

3 draft resolutions we can sponsor

-ANG Raytheon Cyber Resolution
No motion received

-ANG UH-1N Replacement
-Timed out, must be re-ratified
No motion received

-Joint Resolution #3 Item #G change
-Add Robotic equipment to assist with CBRNE mission for NG-CST
No motion received

Final call for resolutions: none

Executive Directors Report:

139 registered for tonight
20 delegates showed up in Baltimore
DC reception 3 May
Insurance Trust Meeting 24 & 25

Treasurer Report:

Plan to send 5 Members all expenses paid to the National Conference. APPX \$1500.00 per person

Insurance representative is wanting us to get out to the units

\$250.00 reimbursement will be continued to 2017

In order to get the vendors we need people to come to the conference

Membership Discussion:

Overview of where we currently are at on membership including the number of life memberships this year.

Membership is trending down. What can we do to increase our membership?

Why are we losing members?

Sharing rosters with commands like we used to do
Talking point for 100% support to senator/congressman on issues
Corporate sponsorship to backfill the other percentage
Focus by states WO's CPT's
Quotes from Gen Robinsons brief are helpful
Commander's First Sergeant Course sponsor at RTI
Burger feed for OCS
Survey Monkey

CPT Brown second COL Keller

Motion: to accept the treasury report in whole
passed

LTC Mcevers second MAJ Flannigan

Motion: to accept last year's minutes
Minutes to accept the minutes from 2016
passed

No new by-laws for this year

Nominations:

McDonald Second Carlson

Motion: accept all nominations as a whole
To add Lee Teigan as Vice Chair (Air)
To add Dave Stein as the 164 EN BN Director
To add Chance Schaffner as the 164 RTI
To add Randy Fuss, Dave Anderson as the army retiree
passed

LTC Hall suggested we send out a skeleton email to our members about 2107 NLT Monday
March 18, 2017

Would love to have a Soldier show up and talk to the committee

Contact our representative and focus on the house appropriations committee

Motion to Adjourn:

COL Keller second LTC Hall
passed