

NGAND Quarterly Board Meeting

Minutes

13 Mar 2020—1700 Hours

Meeting Information: 1-855-509-2650; 141119#

Call to order: Chris Domitrovich, Lee Teigen, Jared Huibregtse, Matthew Winters, Robbie Hertz, Lucas Klettke, Pat Flanagan, Shaun Carlson, Jacob Danduran, Dave Anderson, Brett Nelson, Randy Fuss, Stan Brown, David Stein, Matt Voeller, Shaun Markovic, Chance Schaffner, Dave Hall, Randy Fuss, Dain Thomsen, and Grant Larson.

Approval or correction of 04 December 2019 Minutes: **Approved Unanimously**

1. President's Report

- Discussion: Rough Rider Conference postponed due to Coronavirus
 - Potential make-up dates discussed:
 - 05-06 June
 - 26-27 June
 - 14-15 August
 - **21-22 August**
 - 28-29 August
 - 4-5 September
 - 11-12 September
 - Final decision will be left up to the planning committee, but 21-22 August seemed to be most open timeframe.
 - [This item took place under "Announcements" during the meeting] **Motion: Suspense date for Planning Committee to submit a conference make-up date to the Board of Directors.**
 - **March 20th chosen as suspense date**
 - **Motion Seconded**
 - **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- Bottle Breachers for Lifetime (State and National) in 2019-2020 and Diamond-POC Lucas Klettke
 - Bottle Breachers are have arrived. We received ~\$1,100 discount. Plan will be to give them to Lifetime Memberships (State and National) and other deserving individuals as identified by the BOD
- ¼ Zip and Polo Shirts
 - Polos were purchased for all Board members. Executive Board will receive ¼ zips

- Scholarships
 - Three \$500 scholarships have been awarded
- Lifetime Nominations?
 - Three nominations received to date
 - Note: In the past, nominations have not been communicated to new Soldiers and have created issues with pay. Board Members should ensure proper communication
- Table Throw
 - Is now completed with NGAND Logo. Will be used at future events to help with branding and making our image more recognized to the general public
- Directors-Membership Drive and funding available
 - Money still available for directors to hold a unit-level event to promote NGAUS/NGAND
- Pat Flannagan- Donation for travel
 - A request was submitted for Jennifer Lynn to go to the Pentagon to be recognized for her contributions to the North Dakota National Guard's Suicide Prevention Program. Ms. Lynn is the previous program manager, but has since resigned because she is battling cancer.
 - Other channels of funding were considered, and the trip has since been postponed. This would have been a one-time consideration for NGAND, as other methods of payment are available.
- NGEDA Update- Dave Stein
 - Will entertain funding to send more officers to the National Conference

Logo Finalized- Stan to Jeremy for payment

2. Treasurer's Report

- Motion made and seconded to get Treasurer a new laptop with updated software
- Audit will have to be completed at another time due to the postponement of the conference
- Carrie Rossow (sp) has done NGAND's taxes pro-bono for a number of years. NGAND would like to recognize her for past contributions
 - Possible ideas are a bottle breacher, plaque, lifetime membership
 - **Motion made to compensate Ms. Rossow with various NGAND items to express the organization's appreciation for her accounting services. Motion seconded.**
 - **Motion carried Unanimously**

3. Executive Director's Report

- Next Three-Month Focus—Membership Drive & DC Reception (23 June)

- We are up 10% in membership compared to last year at this time
- Next Six-Month Focus—Membership Drive, DC Reception, and NGAUS Conference prep

- Insurance Director/Committee Update/SSLI Discussion
- Mr. Austin Jenkins Update/Question and Answer
 - It was suggested to review what service Mr. Jenkins provides the organization
 - It is unclear if we would have the same services Mr. Jenkins provides should we join to another pool
 - Directors clearly want to know what value Mr. Jenkins adds to the process
 - **Motion to form a committee to research the benefits of AFBA vs NYL, and the benefits of moving away from MIT to look at all aspects of impact to the organization and to the end product for the Soldiers and Airmen. In addition, to assess the value of Mr. Austin Jenkins. Motion made and seconded.**
 - **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- Need to get a ND briefer/local briefer
 - ED clarified that Monte has indicated he will continue to brief to ND units after March 31
- Trust Meeting scheduled for 27-28 March in Fort Lauderdale, FL – ED and Treasurer to attend, as there will be more to follow on the program’s way forward. Trust postponed.

4. Resolutions Committee Chairman’s Report (Lt Col Domitrovich/LTC Flanagan)

- Resolution Motion 1: **Co-sponsor the draft resolution being submitted by Arizona regarding Stinger Missiles training system.**
 - **Motion Made and Seconded.**
 - **Motion Carries Unanimously**
- Resolution Motion 2: **M917A3 Dump Truck: to be a co-sponsor with Pennsylvania**
 - Logistics folks say the trucks are old, but are still serviceable compared to many other pieces of equipment. No input yet from engineers
 - **Motion made to delay decision until the Engineering and Maintenance Branch is consulted. Pending their positive or negative support, NGAND will proceed or not proceed.**
 - **Motion Carries Unanimously**
- There are currently no State Resolutions going forward

5. New Business

- 2020 Membership Drive Discussion 1 January-30 June; Early bird due 31 March
 - Link on www.ngand.org website for both State and Life Membership

- Updated dues structure posted on website
- ND Reception Discussion—at the NGAUS Building set for 23 June 2020
 - Event co-hosted by Minot Chamber, Grand Forks BRIC, FMWF Chamber, and both NGAND & NDNGEA
- NGAUS Conference—More attendance/more sponsorship discussion
 - **Motion to allocate \$10,000 to spend on 5-6 officers to attend the National Conference to include Officer of the year nominations and lifetime membership nominations, as well as other board members as the Executive Board votes. Motion seconded.**
 - **Motion Carried Unanimously**
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- Capitol Summit—NGAUS Funded
 - Deadline of 1 May 2020 for July 19 – 21 Summit
 - Deadline of 10 July 2020 for October 4 – 6 Summit
 - Need CGO-Air Name and W01/CW2 Name; already sent CGO Army

6. Announcements

Future Board Meeting Dates:

- **Motion: Suspense date for Planning Committee to submit a conference make-up date to the Board of Directors.**
 - **March 20th as suspense date**
 - **Motion Seconded**
 - **Motion Carried Unanimously**

- 03 June 2020
- **Motion: Table future dates discussion**
 - **Seconded.**
 - **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- September 2020
- November Training in Bismarck—Discuss 2021 membership Drive; Finances, Yearly Plan

- **Motion to allow Executive Board to spend \$500 on various events, military-related around the state, both Army and Air.**
 - Heavy discussion around CDR/1SG Course, OCS Graduation, and TAG marksmanship awards.
 - Treasurer indicated that NGAND has been issuing checks for CDR/1SG Course and OCS Graduation, but was unsure of TAG marksmanship awards.
 - **Motion Withdrawn.**

Adjourn