

NGAND Quarterly Board Meeting

Minutes

02 September 2020, 1630-1715 (Via Zoom)

Call to order (a quorum was present): Chris Domitrovich, Dave Stein, Lee Teigen, Jared Huibregtse, Matt Voeller, Jay Sheldon, AJ Christiansen, Dave Anderson, Brett Nelson, Dave Hall, Eric Edwardson, Jacob Danduran, Dain Thompsen, Stan Brown, Robbie Hertz, Lucas Klettke, Randy Fuss, Shaun Carlson, Ed Crary, Shawn Markovic

Approval or Correction of June Minutes

- Motion to approve was made and seconded. The motion carried unanimously

Regional Legislative Engagements—Mr. Jay Sheldon

- See Mr. Jay Sheldon's summary document

Executive Director's Report

- **Next Three-Month Focus—Trust Meeting; Membership Drive Prep; 4 November Training**
 - **Trust Meeting:** 13 states have asked AFBA to provide a new contract because AFBA has implemented a 20% increase and have stopped briefings in those 13 states.
 - We voted as an association to move to AFBA. Mr. Austin Jenkins (trust manager) has reached out to a new company that will brief at the trust meeting.
 - Executive Committee will meet prior to the meeting (scheduled for 23 SEP)
 - **Membership Drive:** In-person training scheduled for 04NOV
 - Goal is to be more prepared for the state conference and membership drive 2021
 - **Attendance at legislative events:** The organization would benefit from members attending legislative events and promote the organization
 - Trust Meeting scheduled for 25 & 26 September MA; looking for inputs from Trust states— Chris Domitrovich and Lee Teigen to attend, as there will be more to follow on the program's way forward
- **Next Six-Month Focus— Membership Drive; 2021 Roughrider Conference Planning**
 - Calendar invite has been sent to interested parties who have attended in the past
- **Insurance Director/Committee Update/SSLI Discussion**
 - Need to get a ND briefer/local briefer...any idea?
 - Chris has been communicating with Mr. Jenkins.
 - Minnesota has a solution. If we need to, MN will send their briefer to ND.

Reports of Standing Committees

- Membership Committee Chairman's Report (Vacant)
-No report given
- Resolutions Committee Chairman's Report (Lt Col Domitrovich/LTC Flanagan)
-Nothing significant to report
- Legislative Committee Chairman's Report (CW2 Simmers)
-No report given-see Jay Sheldon's document
- Planning Committee Chairman's Report (Lt Col Domitrovich/MAJ Brown)
-Nothing significant to report
- Audit Committee Chairman's Report (Vacant)
-No report given
- Finance Committee Chairman's Report (MAJ Voeller)
-See "Financial Update" below

Reports of Special Committees

-None

New Business

Financial Update—Treasurer; MAJ Voeller

- Current Balances:
 - Wells Fargo (investment account)
 - \$106,578 (YTD +1.04%; 1-year +6.06%; inception +5.02%)
 - Up \$5,451 since last meeting (continued COVID recovery)
 - American Bank Center (operating account) \$57,690.37
 - Deposits pending - \$2,200
 - Payments pending - \$12,342.48
 - Taxes 2019
 - Extension (standard practice) has been approved
 - Working on preparation
- Upcoming membership drive – Request, request, request (very little gets spent)
- **Virtual NGAUS Conference Feedback/Discussion**
 - Several directors attended, comments included:
 - Not as beneficial as past conferences
 - Networking was lacking
 - Difficult to follow online

- If there is a way to make it more interactive, it would have been much more beneficial
 - Virtual 5k was a good idea, but did not make sense to charge \$30 for a virtual race
- **Bottle Breachers:** They are available to distribute; some have already been distributed
 - Consensus that getting the breachers to individuals sooner rather than later is best
 - None opposed to handing out before the 2021 conference
- **Capitol Summit—NGAUS Funded**
 - October 4-5 Summit Postponed
 - Start thinking about people to bring into NGAND who will be a positive influence
- **2021 Roughrider Conference (19-21 March 2021)-Bismarck Radisson**
 - Future Planning Calls: 16 Sep; 7 Oct; 4 Nov; 2 Dec (all 1600-1630)
 - Joint Conference with Enlisted Association—need assistance!
- **Marketing Discussion**
 - We have a new logo and shirts that can be used
 - Dave has a box of polos and pullovers
 - Ideas to do better with marketing NGAND for new and existing members:
 - NGAND Masks
 - Unit-level presentations, meals, pizza, etc.

Announcements

- Future Board Meeting Dates: **4 November at Bismarck Radisson (1530-1930)**
 - Board Meeting/Training

Adjourn