**National Guard Association of South Dakota**

**Executive Council Meeting**

**Deadwood, SD**

**0800 MST, April 21, 2017**

**Call to Order President Johnson**

**Pledge of Allegiance All**

**Roll Call Rebecca Trygstad**

* Roll call was conducted and quorum was met. Secretary Van Klompenburg unable to attend Executive Council Meeting.

**Old Business:**

**63rd NGASD Conference Update** **Rebecca Trygstad**

* Brookings will be hosting the 63rd NGASD Conference.
  + Star Wars theme with emphasis on family friendly events.
  + Pursing high profile professional development speakers such as Simon Sinek (author of Leaders Eat Last) and Peter Docker (former senior Royal Air Force officer).
  + Entertainment will be provided by a dueling pianos group.
  + Seeking involvement with SDSU, local military groups, and local business throughout conference.
  + Developing an “Amazing Race”’ event.
  + Lodging will be at the Days Inn.

**Website Update Rebecca Trygstad**

* Conference information is on website.
* Seeking more information and pictures from junior officers for the junior officer page.
* Intending to use website for next year’s conference registration.

**Retiree Report Jerry Duba**

* Thirteen retirees signed up for retiree bunch.
* Working with Brookings conference team to increase engagement and involvement of retirees.
* Discussed the ways they are getting the word out to the retirees and how the committee is trying to find the right mix of media sources to disseminate information.

**Approval of Minutes Rebecca Trygstad**

* Motion was made for approval of the minutes by Jim Linn and a second by Chad Wika.

**Treasurer’s Report Treasurer Miller**

* Received Early Bird Membership rebate from the NGAUS office totaling $6,402.75.
* Received NGAUS Insurance Trust (Affinity Payout) totaling $5,000.
* Earned an interest total of $142.62 thus far this year from out CD’s, checking, and savings account.
* The ability for members to pay State/National dues using the NGASD website appears to be a success with 285 members paying online this year (increased from 125 members last year.
* The Officer Association accounts continue to be financially sound.

**Executive Director’s Report Steve Sewell III**

* Director thanked everyone for the support he has received over the past year and looks forward to the next year.
* Asked for feedback at end of conference regarding experience at Deadwood Mountain Grand in preparation for signing a conference contract for Deadwood 2023.

**Insurance Report David Burr**

* David Burr unable to attend to attend Executive Council Meeting.
* Discussed approving an “Administrators Contract” for Mr. Burr to cover operational expenses (laptop, travel costs, etc.) up to a $1,750 annually.
* Mitch Nachtigall continues to research potential options for the future of the insurance program.

**Corporate Sponsorship Report President Johnson**

* In the past year, NGASD has obtained three Gold members ($1200 annually) and one Bronze member ($300 annually).
* Adam Rounds served as Corporate Sponsorship chair for the past year and will be stepping down; David Larson will be assuming the role for this coming year.

**Warrant Officer Report Shawn Bambas**

* Warrant Officers held meeting prior to conference.
* Requesting monetary support of $175 from NGASD to sponsor their warrant officer team for the Black Hills Veterans March in September.
* Will inform junior officers that funding is available if they would be interested in they would like to put together a team.

**New Business**

**Call for By-Law Changes President Johnson**

* Inaccuracies between the by-laws and the constitution may exist.
* Proposals
  + The 82d CST moved to the control of JFHQ form the 109 RSG. The first change is to move the number of executive council members from 4 to 3 for the RSG and from 1 to 2 for the JFHQ and to reflect Article VI to match the working in Article II paragraphs 8, 9, and 10. The proposed changes are noted as follows:

CURRENT:

Article VI, ADMINISTRATION

Number of Members Organization Represented

1. JFHQ with assigned/attached units

3 South Dakota Air National Guard with assigned/attached units

4 109th Regional Support Group with assigned/attached units

4 196th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade with assigned/attached nits

1 196 Regional Training Institute with assigned/attached units

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Article VI, ADMINISTRATION

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3 109 Regional Support Group with assigned/attached units

4 196 Maneuver Enhancement Brigade with assigned/attached units

1 196 Regional Training Institute with assigned/attached units

1 Warrant Officer Committee Chair

1 Junior Officer Committee Chair

1 Retired Officer Committee Chair

* + The second change is to reflect in Article II paragraph 10 to match both paragraphs 8 and 9 for the Retired Officers. The proposed changes are noted as follows:

CURRENT:

ARTICLE II, 10. Retired Officer Committee

10. The Retired Officer Committee shall be composed of not less than four (4) Active Members of the Association. This Committee shall review and promote membership and participation in the Association.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

ARTICLE II, 10. Retired Officer Committee

10. The Retired Officer Committee shall be composed of not less than four (4) Active Members of the Association. This Committee shall review and promote membership and participation in the Association. The Senior National Guard Committee member, as determined by tenure on the Committee will assume the position of Committee Chair at the close of the Annual Conference of the Association. The current Chair of the Retired Officers Committee will also serve as the Retired Officer Representative to the Executive Council. This Committee will advise the President and Executive council, and will report to the general membership at each Annual Conference of the Association, on matters of particular concern to the Retired Officers of the Association.

* Proposed changes will be brought to the Association body for further discussion and approval.

**Nominations Brian Maschino**

* Current Nominations:
  + President: Jim Linn
  + 1st Vice: Shawn Bambas
  + 2nd Vice: Murray Thompson
  + Secretary: Emily Van Klompenburg
  + Treasurer: No nominations at this time.

**Other New Business President Johnson**

* Discussed increasing seed money for conference host from $5,000 to $10,000 to continue to provide qualify annual officer’s conference.
  + Discussion regarding name and allocation of funds.
  + Motion to change “seed money” to “Startup/host event fund” and create a new line item of $10,000 with an additional line item of $2,500 for a value-added event.
  + Motion was made by Jim Linn and a second by Jason Thomson.
* No Membership Report conducted. Will encourage and recommend all members pay their dues via NGASD website.
* No update from Scholarship Committee.

**Adjournment President Johnson**

* Motion to adjourn the meeting at 0920 was made by Jim Linn and a second by Wyatt Hansen.

**Submitted by: Approved by:**

**Emily Van Klompenburg Quentin Johnson**

**1LT, SDARNG MAJ, SDARNG**

**Secretary President**