



NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS

MINUTES OF THE NGAIB BOARD MEETING

11 August 2006

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Guard Association of Illinois, a Not-For-Profit Corporation of the State of Illinois, was held pursuant to notice at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, 11 August 2006, at Illinois Air National Guard Headquarters, Springfield IL.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Ernie Hayes	(P)
President Elect	Bobby Edwards	(DEPLOYED)
Vice President-Air	John Chojnacki	(P)
Executive Vice President	Chuck Sparacino	(P)
Vice President – NGAUS	Joe Schweickert	(P)
Vice President – EANGUS	Jeff Bell	(A)
Secretary	Kelley Robards	(P)
Treasurer	Ollie Capra	(P)

DIRECTORS

33 rd BCT	Robert Guy	(A)
65 th TCB	Ben Shackman	(P)
108 th SB	Lorenzo Fiorentino	(A)
Joint Forces HQ	Tim Franklin	(P)
126 th ARW	Christ Mauk	(A)
182 nd AW	Steve Thomas	(P)
183 rd FW	Steve Baggerly	(P)
404 th CHEM BDE	Philip Czajkowski	(A)
Retirees	Milt Nichols	(A)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- ◇ The meeting was called to order by President Ernie Hayes at 7:00 P.M.
- ◇ Roll was called by Secretary Kelley Robards. A quorum was present.
- ◇ Ben motioned to accept all minutes from 24 March 2006, April Conference 2006 Minutes, May 12 2006, June 16, 2006, and July 21 2006 be accepted with minor changes to 24 March and July 21 minutes. Steve second. *Motion Passed.*

CONFERENCE REPORT

- ◇ Ben gave all members the after action Conference 2006 report. A Conference continuity binder was handed over to the 2007 Conference Committee with an electronic copy provided to the association as well.
- ◇ A cashier's check in the amount of \$2,300 was a refund of the seed money from the Conference. Total cost of the association for the 2006 conference was less than \$2,700

TREASURER'S REPORT

- ◇ A trial balance sheet was presented, dated 31 Jul 06. National City Bank account will be going away since funds are no longer in the account.
- ◇ There was a temporary distribution in the amount of \$3,102.50 paid for the NGAUS dues, which will be reimbursed after the Conference in September 2006.
- ◇ There was a request to expand items 6540 and 6510 in the report, so members may see line items.
- ◇ Steve asked what the current standing compared to last year looked like. Chuck replied that the balance is approximately \$10,000 lower than last year.
- ◇ Chuck reported that a fund raiser is being considered. Before it could be approved or disapproved by the board last year, the fund raiser was dismissed.
- ◇ The teleconferences are saving a lot of money.
- ◇ Tim motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as accepted. John second. *Motion Passed.*

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

- ◇ The Trust paid out \$255,000 in 2005 and \$325,000 in 2004. The amounts paid out were more than the amount received for each year.
- ◇ NGAI makes \$1.00 for each EANGUS membership.
- ◇ The meeting for September will need to be changed due to the NGAUS Conference.
- ◇ Grantham- and online University would like for NGAI to support them. The association will receive \$50 for each enrollee. John will check out the University.
- ◇ As of May 06, NGAUS membership was at 22%
- ◇ Received a MBNA royalty check in the amount of \$151.00
- ◇ Joe motioned to approve the next New Life membership numbers. Steve second. *Motion Passed.*
- ◇ John motioned to accept the report as presented. Tim second. *Motion Passed.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- ◇ Ernie reported that he and Kelley went to Chicago in June. They spoke with the Web Page Host, Nancy at Backslash.com. She and Kelley will be working together to get quicker updates and a few layout changes to the website. All of the email accounts have been removed. There was too much junk mail and members were not checking the email system.
- ◇ Spoke with Des Plaines Publishing. In order to cut costs, the publication will now be done in 3 colors. Directors will no longer be required to submit something for the newspaper unless there is something important that needs to be addressed/presented, etc.

- ◇ The publication will be more informative about current legislation. The 20th of each month is the deadline for submissions.
- ◇ Met with Gen Goddard. He has been holding insurance meetings around the state. Response has been very good.
- ◇ Kelley reported that the computers need to be replaced, they are outdated. The current Database that is used to track membership is very out of date. Kelley has contacted a few companies to see if a web based Customer Database would be suitable and cost effective. There are many possibilities and many decisions that must be made prior to requesting proposals. There will be a meeting at 1800 prior to the Sept meeting in Chicago. Kelley requested that members write down their suggestions and bring them to the table.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ernie said that new members are needed for the Committees. Members do not need to be on the board.

- ◇ *Legislative*
 - Nothing to report
- ◇ *Finance*
 - Need to amend the budget to add a few items
- ◇ *Awards*
 - Awards can be submitted beginning now for the Apr 2007 Conference.
- ◇ *Time and Place*
 - The 2007 Conference place has changed. It will now be in Alton, April 14 and 15.
 - The 2008 Conference will be at the Crowne Plaza, a contract still needs to be signed. A sponsor is still needed.
- ◇ *Nominations*
 - Nothing to report
- ◇ *Resolutions*
 - Nothing to report
- ◇ *Scholarship*
 - Scholarship applications may be received beginning now for the 2007 Conference
- ◇ *Constitution and By-Laws*
 - Joe will send Kelley an electronic copy to be place on the Website.
- ◇ *Membership*
 - Nothing to report

NGAUS

- ◇ Joe reported that 18 rooms were needed and that 23 people are going from Illinois, not including spouses.

EANGUS

- ◇ Jeff Bell has submitted his resignation. A new representative will need to be appointed.

OLD BUSINESS

- ◇ A check in the amount of \$325 was presented to the Guard Marathon Team
- ◇ \$200 was given the support the 50th Anniversary for HQ ILANG.

NEW BUSINESS

- ◇ The insurance trust is currently giving away \$1,000 policies to everybody. This could hurt the pool for next year.

ADJOURN

- ◇ Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next meeting will be held September 29, 2006 Comfort Suites, OakBrook Terrace, 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

KELLEY D. ROBARDS
Secretary