

**National Guard Association of Minnesota  
Meeting Minutes**

05 September 2006

1. **Call to Order**

President Kevin Gutknecht called to order the regular meeting of the National Guard Association at 1805 on 05 September 2006 at the Ft. Snelling Officers Club.

2. **Roll Call**

The following were present:

President Kevin Gutknecht  
Vice President "Air" Donald Dahlquist  
Executive Director Walt Schultz  
Treasurer Al Timm  
Secretary Brian Winter  
DISCOM Rep Geraldine Longfellow  
148<sup>th</sup> FW Rep Scott Chambers  
STARC Rep Tim Novak  
Troop Cmd Rep Gary Mundfrom  
Retiree Rep Carl Madsen  
Retiree Alt Dick Hathaway  
CGO Alt Niels Gott  
Outgoing Board Member Larry Burda

3. **Administrative Announcement**

The next meeting will be held at the Ft. Snelling Club on 03 October 2006 at 1800 hrs. There will be a membership committee meeting at 1700.

4. **Insurance Report**

No report

5. **Secretary's Report**

Minutes from August meeting approved.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Al Timm passed out copies of the Cash Flow report for 1/1/06-9/5/06. Total inflows equaled \$80,695.35, total outflows equaled \$69,123.80, total cash flow equaled \$11571.55. The assn's net worth equals \$35,218.97. Treasure's Report approved.

7. **Membership Report**

One more membership was paid up. President Gutknecht attended a recent ARNG OCS graduation and presented an award on behalf of NGAMN to the top graduate. He also presented all 21 graduates with their free first year and a half membership to NGAMN, good exposure for the Association and an opportunity to get some new members involved.

8. **Legislative Report**

Col Shields is retiring, Eric Alness will be his replacement and our legislative contact. At the next meeting we will need to discuss which state legislative issues we want/need to support for the upcoming session.

9. **Webmaster's Report**

No report.

10. **Group Reports**

1<sup>st</sup> BCT: One KIA in Iraq last week.

DISCOM: DISCOM is now called RSG (Regional Support Group) and is relocating to the Roseville Armory. The chemical company is being reassigned to Troop Cmd and RSG is picking up a palletized truck company. The finance battalion was deactivated. There will be a DISCOM Hail and Farewell ceremony on 7 Oct. Contact LTC Longfellow for details.

133<sup>rd</sup> AW: Prepping for their next AEF rotation coming up next year. Need to start working the airlift for the next annual NGAUS conference in Puerto Rico ASAP.

148<sup>th</sup> FW: Also prepping for an AEF rotation next spring. Lt Col Chambers will be deploying.

Troop Command: Col Shields is retiring. There will be a change of command ceremony next month.

Retirees: Reminder for the Christmas party happening on 01 Dec at the Ft. Snelling Club.

11. **Company Grade Officer Report**

Nothing to report

12. **Corporate Report**

Nothing to report

13. **Executive Director's Report**

Everything is set to go for the national conference. There are still a couple of rooms on hold if anyone else would like to go. Pins will be sold for \$1 a piece (cost of \$1.35).

**\*\*GROUP REPS, please email group reports to Walt prior to next meeting.**

14. **Old Business**

Still need to pin down a location for the 2007 state conference. A motion to research and recommend the three best options was carried. The Airport Hilton is available for the first weekend in June but the initial quote is quite high for food and no outside beverages are allowed in the hospitality rooms unless a corking fee is paid. LTC Longfellow is going to research what other options are available as this needs to be set up ASAP. Lt

Col Dahlquist, Lt Col Chambers and Capt Winter will support her in doing to more research on doing a business meeting and possible hangar party at the 133<sup>rd</sup> and to see what options are available at Ft. Snelling.

We still need to put a communication timeline together for communications to members.

15. **New Business**

Need to put together a postcard mailer for October to get the membership drive going as well as a reminder on the Christmas party.

16. **Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 1924 hours. The next meeting will be at 1800 on 03 October with a membership committee meeting preceding at 1700.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Brian Winter.