

**National Guard Association of Minnesota**  
**Meeting Minutes**

14 Aug 2007

**1. Call to Order**

President LtCol Dahlquist called to order the regular meeting of the National Guard Association at 1800 on 14 August 2007 at the Ft. Snelling Officers Club.

**2. Roll Call**

The following were present:

President Lt Col Donald Dahlquist

Executive Director Walt Schulz

Treasurer Al Timm

Secretary Trista Martinson

148<sup>th</sup> FW Rep

Retiree's Rep MAJ (Ret) Carl Madsen

Div Rep MAJ Kent Porter

Maj Robert Niesen

Cw5 (Ret) Richard Hathaway

LtCol Scott Chambers

LtCol Paul Cummings

LTC Tom Miller

LT Jason Hull

**3. Administrative Announcement**

The next meeting will be held at the 1800 on 11 Sep 2007 at the Ft. Snelling Officers Club 2007. Many people not in attendance this month because of Annual Training and deployments. President's Reemphasis of inclusion of general membership. It is his intent that after national conference a newsletter will come out with info from conference and state initiatives. President spoke briefly with COL Alhness who stated Governor wanted to start on legislative initiatives early this year to get started for upcoming year. Priority is to inform our members.

**4. Insurance Report:** Group reps know of anyone who is going to be deployed please contact Walt to get a rep there to speak to deploying people. Would like to get into the Air Guard to get good insurance. Contact Walt or Trista Martinson. 34<sup>th</sup> CAB is deploying and the 133<sup>rd</sup> Air Lift Wing is preparing to deploy.

**5. Secretary's Report**

Minutes from July's meeting approved.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Al Timm passed out copies of the Cash Flow report.

Total Inflows \$78,643.62 increase of 44056.66 contributors of State Conference Silent Auction, corporate membership and NGAUS Conference.

Total Outflows \$ 69,916.80, Overall Total \$8,726.82.

Association Net Worth equals \$52,091.40.

We need to pay for \$.25 per soldier and conference registration for national conference of \$125.00 per person. Treasure's Report approved.

**7. Membership Report. /Executive Director Report.** We now have 4 LT's attending the conference for professional development. Everyone will be a delegate, totalling 26 delegates. Committee Reports will be discussed at Puerto Rico. Area 5 is looking for ideas to address at the conference at the breakouts at the conference. Walt has brochures for Puerto Rico. Bob Niesen will address shirts later in the meeting. We will sell pins for \$.50 a piece to use up old ones. Director's Report Approved.

### **8. Legislative Report**

Col Wiens is not present. No official report. LtCol Dahlquist spoke with COL Ahlness about getting started on initiatives. We are also looking to work with ENGAUS. Awards are still needing to be presented to Legislatures sometime after the National Conference. Patrick Henry Award to be presented award to Eugene Sit at the National Conference for his philanthropy to the Minnesota Military Appreciation Fund.

### **9. Webmaster's Report**

No Changes. Tribute to Fallen Soldiers since last conference send to Webmaster for posting. Anyone wanting any other changes forward to WEBMASTER. Looking for letter from President to post on web.

### **10. Warrant Officer Report** No Report

### **11. Group Reports**

**1st BCT:** Absent, Everyone is back from deployment 30 day reintegration begins Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the RSG for picking up planning for Reintegration. New Commander will be COL Kevin Gutnecht.

**RSG:** Main focus on handling Reintegration. 30, 60 day reintegration throught the entire state. .

**Division:** Just finished AT and Interagency exercise as a prelude to upcoming 2008 RNC. Celebration of soldiers at the Sunday 9 Sep, 1130. Rosemount Armory, MG Erlandson's last drill. Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Change of Command to MG Nash. 34<sup>th</sup> ID room at the museum is now up and running at CRTTC.

**133rd AW:** 20 days to unit compliance inspection, moving on to joint forge event in Germany.

**148<sup>th</sup> FW:** all attention to 2 phase inspections coming up in 2008.

**JFHQ:** Working on a State partnership with a country in Africa in addition to Croatia. NGB is working on a standard JFHQ standard for all states.

**Aviation:** Currently at AT. They are one of the first to go through the new mobilization policy of 12 months. All focus on getting them ready with new equipment.

**Troop Cmd:** CERF-P Certification in process.

**Retirees:** No new information. Looking for information on officers that retire.

#### **Company Grade Officer Report**

Current Reps are deployed LT Chris Grupe (DIV), 1Lt Jason Hull (133<sup>rd</sup> AW) may be good alternates.

#### **Warrant Officer Report: No Report**

**12. Corporate/Executive Director's Report:** \$1,000 from Tri-West.

#### **12. Old Business-**

President will appoint a Strategic planning committee after the National Conference.

Discussion of Items for Puerto Rico National Conference

13. **New Business:** 1600 on the 24<sup>th</sup> in the Hospitality Room.

Shirts are in, Please pay Bob Niesen

Warrant Officer/ OCS Graduation coming up on 26 Aug at the Capital Rotunda.

Representative to greet and present membership. COL Gutnecht or LTC Miller will represent NGAMN.

#### **15. Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 1845 hours. Next Meeting 11 SEP 07, 1800.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Trista Martinson.