

**National Guard Association of Minnesota**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
15 April 2008

**1. Call to Order**

President Dahlquist called to order the regular meeting of the National Guard Association at 1815 hours on 15 April 2008 at the Ft. Snelling Officers Club.

**2. Roll Call**

The following were present:

LTC Intress

CW5 (Ret) Executive Director Walt Schulz

COL (Ret) Treasurer Al Timm

MAJ(Ret) Carl Madsen

CPT Joseph Sanganoo

**3. Administrative Announcement**

COL Gutknecht addressed the board.

**4. Insurance Report:**

Walt reports that USBA has given us a check. Dan Strong will be at the conference to give an update.

**5. Secretary's Report**

Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed and approved.

Secretary nominations are required. Nominations committee will nominate individuals for secretary as well as President, VP Army, Treasurer. Secretary's Report approved.

6. VP Report: Working on Scholarships. Will discuss during old business.

**7. Treasurer's Report**

Al Timm passed out copies of the Cash Flow report and covered the financials with the group. Total Inflows YTD were 40093.63, with Total Outflows of \$25924.36. Overall Total: \$14,169.27; Net worth: \$47,215.25. Still outstanding liabilities \$8210 for state conference, USBA Insurance Fees to enlisted association. Treasurer's Report approved.

**8. Legislative Report**

President Dahlquist reports that COL Ahlness occasionally reaches out to us for items of interest. President Dahlquist wants to emphasize the importance of this position and needs to be an active participant. Keep this in mind it's the reason for our existence. LtCol Chambers has an interest in being more involved in the Legislative activity.

**9. Executive Director Report.**

Group Reports for conference were passed around. There are many who are attending but are unpaid. Also group membership cards were passed out. Many postcards were returned. We need updated addresses.

Registration for National Conference needs to be 15 Jul. Executive Report accepted.

### **10. Web Master Report**

Everything about the website has changed. It's updated and seems to be working better with easier usability to update the site. Advertisers up to date. Sell an advertisers spot on the website for \$250. Contact Walt Schulz for add spots on the website. Question to determine the number of hits a month to help with sales. Web Master Report accepted.

**11. Corporate Report** We have some more \$\$ coming in from corporate sponsors.

### **12. Group Reports**

**1st BCT:** Biggest Training issue is preparing others to deploy with the division. Taking priority on training sites.

**RSG:** Final Redeployment of the 347<sup>th</sup> PSD from Kuwait returning shortly.

**Division:** No Report

**JFHQ:** Success of Croatia joining NATO and success with our State Partnership. JFHQ is focusing on possible support for RNC.

**133<sup>rd</sup> AW:** Hands full preparing for RNC. A lot of entities are basing out of Ft. Snelling. They will be busy all summer supporting RNC and then after ward many will deploy.

**148<sup>th</sup> FW:** Back from Hawaii and Alaska, focusing on AEF in September.

**CBT AVN:**

**Troop Cmd:** 682<sup>nd</sup> Engineers start 2<sup>nd</sup> iteration of OJS. 1 more iteration in June. They are building roads and working on the fence.

849<sup>th</sup> Redeploying from Iraq, plan on being back to Ft. McCoy @ 23 April.

1-151 and E deployment in Winter of 09.

RNC preparation.

**Company Grade Officer Report – No Report**

**Retirees:** Dinner on Friday evening of the State Conference, planning December party first Friday of December for Holiday dinner. Voting for new President of Retirees at state conference.

**Warrant Officers:** Need to make a push to get a rep that actually attends the meetings.

### **13. Old Business-**

Scholarship information update: Scholarships: LT Hull has done research on what criteria and plan on how to start a scholarship for our association. Discussion about what our criteria would be and the amount we would give.

Motion for 2 X\$500 scholarships. Approved

Motion to start 2 \$500 Scholarship for awarding Fall 08. Announcing criteria at April Conference. Approved

Discussion of possible categories for selection: Up for vote were 6 categories. Selected were Active/ retired Life members of the association and Children/ Grandchildren of Association member.

Committee determined Criteria to be announced at the Conference. Criteria approved.

Application Criteria approved.

Annual Due Date: 30 June approved.

Award will go to applicant: approved.

Values to write about: Approved

### **14. New Business:**

Final selection still pending

Possible Awardees (3 Plaques)

2-147<sup>th</sup> award for Service Awards

United Steele Workers Union

100% Awards

Guy Gamble – Clean Slate for Veteran’s criminal affected by PTSD

New Business: Membership training workshop opportunity is fast approaching. We should send someone to the train the trainer course. Goal is to increase states memberships and national memberships, last weekend of May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. MAJ (Ret) Beutler will volunteer to attend the membership course.

Motion for MAJ (Ret) Beutler will be attending the conference in May.

Agenda for conference completed.

Funding for Conference Delta approved.

### **15. Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 2015 hours.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Trista Martinson.

