

## 2017 NGEDA Annual Conference Minutes

President Mike Sturm (IN) called the annual conference business session to order at 0810 on Tuesday, 17 January 2017 in Louisville, KY. 1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President Colleen Chipper lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Augie Grace said the Invocation. President Sturm made opening comments and expressed gratitude to Jim Simms, ED of KY, for his part in the Monday, 16 January Reception.

Roll Call of States was conducted by Secretary Kenny Moix with 48 of 54 associations present. Following the Roll Call, he made Administrative Comments and was followed by Colleen Chipper who reviewed the conference agenda.

President Sturm called for a recess of the business session at 0830 to allow members to attend training from 0830-0930. A sponsored break followed until 1000.

President Sturm reconvened the business session at 1005 and made remarks concerning the importance of Industry to the National Guard. President Sturm presented a souvenir NGEDA coin to corporate members and sponsors. (See attached list).

President Sturm called for approval of the minutes of the 2016 general conference, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in June 2016 and the minutes of the NGEDA special meeting in September 2016. All were approved as written.

Past President Roberta Janssen, Nomination Chairperson, reported on the results of the Nominations Committee and placed John Angelloz, ED of LA, for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Tim Marlar to the PDCB for another five years. With the resignation of Roy Robinson, ED of MS, President Mike Sturm announced that the Executive Committee appointed Maria Kelly, ED of OH, to fill the remainder of Roy Robinson's term until 2020.

Past President Joseph "Stoney" Stone presented the Bylaws Committee report announcing the committee approved the two bylaw changes, (see attached). The changes would cause the elimination of the Insurance Committee and make the PDCB to also conduct/resolve routine insurance issues, if any, and will be renamed the PDCB/Insurance Committee. The other change is the formation of the NGAUS Conference Advisory Committee. Changes were moved and seconded and will be discussed on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> and voted on, if needed.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Chipper reported no audit had been conducted in 2016 because of the transition of all NGEDA administrative/operational issues from the National Guard Association of Texas (NGAT) to NGEDA and that no financial procedures had been established that could be audited.

Past President Janssen presented the financial report. (see attached) announcing a deficit of \$6700 had been forecasted due to the transition of financials from NGAT, the rebuilding of the NGEDA website and the Northstar DFAS contract. In reality, the NGEDA showed a profit of \$16,000. She also reported that the major insurance companies affiliated with NGEDA had agreed to take over the payments of the Northstar contract. With this additional income, the 2016-2017 NGEDA budget is forecasted to be a balanced budget.

Jim Simms, ED of KY, and the host state of the 2017 NGAUS Conference, provided a short explanation of the upcoming NGAUS conference and explained the hotel tour procedures for the rest of the day.

President Sturm closed the business session for the day at 1100 so that the association members could visit the hotels. The members were asked to attend training sessions starting at 0800 on Wednesday, 18 January, with the business session scheduled to reconvene at 0900 on 18 January 2017.

No business session was held on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> due to a day of state hotel assignments, training sessions and updates/reports. Training sessions included: Small and Large Staff Challenges and Solutions, NGAUS Conference Dos & Don'ts, Association Management, Membership Overview, Legislative Issues. Updates/Reports included an EANGUS Update, 2017 NGAUS Conference Events Update, NGAUS Update and Legislative Report, CAP Report, NGEDA Lottery Report and the 2018 NGAUS Conference Host State Report.

Business Session was reconvened at 0805 on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Jim Simms (KY) reported on states' NGAUS Conference hotel assignments to include sleeping rooms and suites.

Next, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Chipper announced the breakout sessions and led the Executive Directors session. Discussion included: the NGEDA conference business session room layout; hotel selection process hindered many states from attending the Thursday training/update sessions; use a virtual reality hotel tour; keep future NGEDA conference dates consistently on the same days of the week; send NGAUS conference contracted hotel information to the states prior to NGEDA conference; keep NGEDA 101 to include the history of NGEDA and state legislative updates available at future conferences; use website and phone app for resource sharing; include an insurance 101 program to include history of program, overview of different insurance companies programs, pool system and NGAUS technician insurance; produce an informational binder to help EDs which included the formation of a committee consisting of Mark Martin, Jim Lubey and Michele Henry; add more time for training sessions and round table discussions; lifetime membership with no interest bank payments option; 2022 NGAUS bid open letter from NGAUS; ask NGAUS to look at August instead of September for future conference dates; bring NGAUS and Corporate information to NGAUS Board of Directors meeting; NGEDA souvenir coins; and promotion of NGAUS Legislative and Industry Day attendance and the possibility of these two sessions being held consecutively to allow more attendance.

Upon return of the Association Officers and Insurance Administrators from their breakout sessions, a feedback report was presented by each area. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Augie Grace provided a report on the Executive Directors breakout session which summarized the areas mentioned above.

Mike Taylor, Association Officer Representative, reported a discussion to have a better cross communication between states; he also lauded the members of the NGEDA Executive Committee.

Tim Marlar, Vice Chairman of the PDCB, reported on the Insurance Administrators breakout session. They discussed that they wished to see a SSLI and its history training session; more Insurance Administrators breakouts to include a training session on best practices of insurance procedures by states.

Next Tim Marlar presented the PDCB report and asked people to contact the PDCB and not DFAS with insurance issues.

Next Stoney reminded everyone of the Bylaw changes presented during the first business session. President Sturm asked for discussion. Stoney was called upon to explain why a PDCB and an Insurance Committee was started. With no more discussion, a vote was called and both bylaws passed.

President Sturm then made the annual President's report. He thanked Jim Simms for Kentucky's help with the conference and the NGEDA Executive Committee. He reminded everyone of the goals he had set when becoming president and how they fared. He wanted to increase communication among the NGEDA membership but events concerning the transition of administrative and operational control to the NGEDA Executive Committee had consumed much of his time and felt he had not achieved this goal. He did feel that his goal to make a stronger bridge between NGEDA and NGAUS had been accomplished and congratulated Roy Robinson as the new NGAUS President. He was proud that NGEDA was financially sound and thanked the Insurance Carriers for agreeing to help NGEDA with the Northstar payments. Finally, he was glad that Louisiana would be working with NGEDA for the 2018 NGEDA conference.

Under Old Business, the Lottery Committee had reported previously on two different courses of actions (COA) concerning the hotel lottery program. COA A was to keep the double blind lottery system. COA B would include performance measures for every fifth position. There was a motion to call for a vote, followed by a second and a discussion followed. A secret ballot by state was conducted and COA A was selected by a vote of 26 to 12. Oklahoma abstained from voting.

New Business: Election of Officers. Mike Taylor had been nominated to be the NGEDA Association Officer Representative during the Association Officers Breakout session. No others were nominated. The secretary cast the vote to elect him. John Angelloz, Executive Director of Louisiana, had been nominated by the NGEDA nomination committee to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of NGEDA. There had been no other nominees and the Secretary cast the vote to elect him. Tim Marlar had been nominated by the PDCB for another five term. No other nominees, so the Secretary cast the vote to elect him. Colleen Chipper and Augie Grace advanced in accordance with the bylaws and became the President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. No vote was needed. President Sturm administered the oath and the new officers were installed.

As President, Colleen thanked the NGEDA Executive Committee and all the other committee members. She announced her goals to be Corporate Growth and Industry Liaison with NGEDA. She then presented outgoing President Mike Sturm with the President's Award and announced her 2017 committee members (see below).

During the Hotwash portion of the meeting it was emphasized that Industry was available to assist NGEDA. Members want to continue a legislative process training seminar during the NGEDA conference. It was suggested that a NGEDA 101 for Insurance class be added and that it does not run concurrent with the NGEDA 101 for Executive Directors. Add a State Conference Best Practices and a Membership Best Practices at the next conference and set them up by like size states to allow networking. There should be more breakout sessions. Set up a shared file on the website for use by states.

Next, the Secretary announced the 2018 NGEDA conference general information.

President Chipper adjourned the 2017 NGEDA conference at 1100 hours on Thursday, 19 January 2017.

The double blind lottery was conducted and results can be found on the NGEDA website and below.

2017 Committee Members: Nominations Committee: Mike Sturm, Chairman; Roberta Janssen, Janet Cowley, Byron Deel and Steve Sewell.

Bylaws Committee: Stoney Stone, Chairman; Bruce Kahl, John Angelloz and Len Gratteri.

NGAUS Conference Advisory Committee: Jim Simms, Chairman; Bruce Kahl, Russ Kraus, John Angelloz, Don Deering and Janet Cowley.

President Chipper appointed Michele Henry, NGEDA Secretary.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kenny Moix

## **NGEDA Corporate/Sponsor Souvenir Coin Recognition**

RAYTHEON – MIKE MILLER  
AM GENERAL – DOUG BURNETT  
MBA – MIKE COLLINS  
ADVANCED TURBO ENGINES – SAM TORN  
ROBERTSON FUEL SYSTEMS – CHIP LUNN  
SIKORSKY – TOM NICOLETT  
BOEING – CATHY ANTHONY  
TRIUMP – MIKE ?  
USAA – DICK SMITH  
UTC AEROSPACE – ED MCKEE ?  
AFBA – KIMO WONG  
CHRIS MEARS & ASSOCIATES – CHRIS MEARS  
LITEFIGHTER – RICH COACHYS  
MOAA – JESS RAMIREZ  
RnR PROMOTIONS – CINDY RAMIREZ  
BAE SYSTEMS – DON PREWITT  
ABDG – ELISHA KEHL  
AMERICAN EQUITY – LLOYD HILL  
ARROWPOINT CORPORATION – CHRIS SMALL  
BELL HELICOPTER – PETER ROBICHAUX  
BREDE EXPOSITION SERVICES – ROBERT RISPOLI  
BRIEF RELIEF – LOU ORTEGA  
FAAC INCORPORATED – CHRISTIAN deGRAFF  
NORTHROP GRUMANN – LISA POLLACK  
PEDUZZI & ASSOCIATES – JERRY WOOD  
PHANTOM PRODUCTS, INC. – VICTORIA MCDERMOTT  
PIVOT STEP CONSULTANTS, LLC – RON HOULE  
PULAU CORPORATION – MIKHAEL ARMSTRONG  
RAYDON CORPORATION – TONI HENRY  
ROBERT TAYLOR & ASSOCIATES – ROBERT TAYLOR  
ROLLS ROYCE – DAVID KASBERG  
SPEEDYPREP – SHARA WRIGHT  
THALES – TOM JENKINS  
SHEUY AGENCY – TED SHUEY  
VIRGINIA NATIONAL GUARD VENTURES – CHARLES FALCONER  
WELLS FARGO – GREGORY MURRAY  
YOSTE STRATEGIC PARTNERS, LLC – GEOFFREY YOSTE  
POWERFLARE – TRICIA CALLAHAN  
INTERCOMP COMPAY – ERIC LARSON

**Executive Committee Meeting, Saturday, 14 January, 2017**  
**Louisville, KY**

President called the meeting to order at 1900 hours, 14 January.

He presented a general overview of the upcoming conference agenda.

Roberta Janssen gave a report of the Nominations Committee results.

Executive Committee voted to appoint Maia Kelly, ED of OH, to fill the unexpired term of Roy Robinson on the PDCB. Roy's term ends 2020 but he sent an email resigning his position on the PDCB because of his selection to become the NGAUS President.

Discussion of the Bylaws changes.

Comments were presented concerning MEPS not collecting insurance premiums during the first year of the 1010 insurance program.

Comments that this would be the first conference utilizing the host state to help with the execution of the conference.

President Sturm informed us that he would like to discuss the insurance carriers helping NGEDA with payment of the Northstar contract.

Reviewed any VIPs that were expected to attend the conference.

Reviewed the Roll Call of States procedures, Administrative Notes, Agenda changes, Corporate/Sponsor Recognition and Hard Rock Reception sponsors, conference registration, attendance of two NGAUS membership staff at conference and Lewis King Breakfast.

Discussion on Lottery Committee.

Voted to make Don Deering and Ray Lindner Honorary Life Members of NGEDA.

Adjourned 2030 hours, 14 January, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted

Kenny Moix

## LOTTERY RESULTS

1. UTAH
2. KANSAS
3. TEXAS
4. NEW JERSEY
5. MONTANA
6. ALABAMA
7. NEW YORK
8. LOUISIANA
9. ARKANSAS
10. SOUTH DAKOTA
11. ALASKA
12. MASSACHUSETTS
13. OHIO
14. MARYLAND
15. NORTH DAKOTA
16. NEBRASKA
17. OKLAHOMA
18. GEORGIA
19. WEST VIRGINIA
20. KENTUCKY
21. NEW HAMPSHIRE
22. PUERTO RICO
23. COLORADO
24. ILLINOIS
25. NORTH CAROLINA
26. GUAM
27. OREGON
28. WASHINGTON
29. TENNESSEE
30. IOWA
31. PENNSYLVANIA
32. NEVADA
33. VIRGINIA
34. DELAWARE
35. SOUTH CAROLINA
36. VERMONT
37. VIRGIN ISLANDS
38. CONNECTICUT
39. MAINE
40. CALIFORNIA
41. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
42. MISSISSIPPI
43. MICHIGAN
44. ARIZONA
45. IDAHO
46. INDIANA
47. NEW MEXICO
48. RHODE ISLAND
49. MISSOURI
50. WYOMING
51. WISCONSIN
52. FLORIDA
53. MINNESOTA
54. HAWAII