

NGEDA Annual meeting on Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

NGEDA President Marvin Harris opened the NGEDA conference and First Business session at 8:02 am.

The pledge of allegiance was recited, invocation given, and attendance taken during introductions.

The secretary, Maria Kelly, announced that a quorum was present. States not present during the first meeting were Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Rhode Island.

The executive committee was introduced

First Vice President Corie Lucero, National Guard Association of Utah

Second Vice President Elizabeth Jara, National Guard Association of Arkansas

Elected Officer Representative Dan Statz, Wisconsin National Guard Association

Secretary Maria Kelly, Ohio National Guard Association

Past President Bob Sweeney, National Guard Association of Washington

The Deputy Adjutant General of the Wisconsin National Guard welcomed the group to Milwaukee on behalf of the governor and Adjutant General. The NGEDA president presented the conference coin to the Deputy AG.

Second Vice President Elizabeth Jara led a team building exercise.

Seven new executive Directors identified themselves as first year Executive Directors.

The minutes were approved after a motion to dispense with reading was unanimously approved.

Committee Reports:

President's Report: The mid year NGEDA meeting was held in Milwaukee in July of 2024. Plans for the January 2025 NGEDA conference were solidified. A site visit to Salt Lake City venues was conducted in preparation for the 2027 annual meeting. The Hyatt Regency SLC was selected and the dates 4-7 January 2027 were contracted. Monthly round tables were held throughout the year on the first Thursday of each month with a new meeting time 1230 CST. Attendance increased during new time. We are adding two awards to the NGEDA Awards program. Communications and Industry elations award nominations will launch for next year. Lastly discussed hiring a part time employee for NGEDA to perform ED duties for NGEDA. Concludes president's report.

Nominations Committee Report: Chair Bob Sweeney reported that there were two officers nominated for the position of second vice president: Jeffrey Coomler and Paul Aguirre. He asked for

any other nominations from the floor (three times). There were no other nominations from the floor and nominations were closed for the position of second vice president.

PDCB nominations – There were two open positions for the Payroll Deduction Coordinating Board. Cris Crisler was nominated. Tim Marlar, Christine Quante, and Dan Statz were nominated from the floor for a total of four nominees.

Audit Report. The audit report was given by First Vice President Corie Lucero. Corie conducted the audit and provided a written report. The period audited was 1 NOV 23-OCT 24. Items reviewed included monthly bank statements, the aging summaries, reconciliations, and balance sheets. Ms. Lucero recommended the use of the QuickBooks attachment function to attach supporting documents in our account in the QuickBooks software. She reported that the financial record keeping consistent was consistent with NGEDA bylaws and standard accounting practices.

Finance Report. The finance report was provided by Treasurer Bob Sweeney. A copy of the report is in the NGEDA Files and a summary can be located in the NGEDA slide deck for the conference.

The 2024 – 2025 approved president's budget is a deficit budget of \$7,950.00.

Bylaws committee Report. By-laws Committee Chair Dan Statz was appointed to a three year term. Members of the committee include Chris Corley and Joseph (Stoney) Stone. Dan reviewed four bylaws proposed changes. (See slides).

President Harris thanked NGAUS and WINGA for last night's reception. Then he thanked and recognized our sponsors:

AFBA

NGAUS

Vidmar Lista

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Yoste strategic partners

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Robertson Fuel Systems

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Chris Mears and Associates

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JGR Solutions

RnR promotions

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Military Benefit Association

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am until 10 am for breakout sessions. RnR promotions sponsored a break from 10:00 – 10:30.

The meeting reconvened at 10:30 am for instructions on the hotel visits and selection process. This year due to the large number of hotels and in anticipation of adverse winter weather, box lunches were provided and representatives from the hotels and off site venues came to the hotel (rather than the traditional walking tours to the hotels). Members of industry were invited to visit the Baird Convention Center for a tour and the CAP held their open meeting from 3-4 pm. There was an industry hosted reception in the atrium that evening.

Respectfully Submitted by Maria Kelly, Secretary

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The Lewis King Memorial Breakfast sponsored by Yoste Strategic Partners was held in the Lakeshore Ballroom. Each state was invited to send two representatives. Hotel selections began at 9 am and were held concurrently with the professional development sessions throughout the day.

General session 1 was held in the Regency Ballroom beginning at 9:00 am. NGAUS provided an update followed by a break sponsored by JGR Solutions LLC and Chris Mears and Associates.

General session 2 featured Ms. Geraldine Valentino-Smith from the Defense State Liaison Office.

The general sessions were adjourned for lunch on your own.

General session 3 included a PDCB/SSLI 101 and program updates, a NGAUS legislative and resolutions program update, and an update from NGEF and NGIT.

General session 4 included a CAP panel and EANGUS update.

The NGEDA Awards banquet was held in the Lakeshore Ballroom that evening and was hosted by AFBA.

Respectfully Submitted by Maria Kelly, Secretary

NGEDA Annual meeting on Thursday, January 30, 2025

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President Marvin Harris started the Business Session 2 of the 2025 Annual Meeting at 1000. He began by thanking AFBA for their sponsorship of the annual awards banquet where Larry Crowson, ED of the National Guard Association of South Carolina, was recognized as the 2025 Colonel James F. Gamble Recipient.

President Harris recognized Dan Statz, the Bylaws committee chair, to brief on the proposed bylaws amendments.

Chairman Statz explained the proposed changes.

President Harris then turned the time to those nominated to run for the PDCB. We heard from

Christine Quante

Dan Statz

Time Marlar

Marvin then tuned the time over to those running for 2nd VP. We heard from

Jeff Coomer

Paul Aguirre

Each state picked up one ballot. Each State voted and returned them to the Nominations Chair, Bob Sweeney.

The meeting was in recess while the ballots were counted.

The meeting reconvened at 11:00.

Dan Statz gave the results on the bylaw amendments

Next, President Harris reported the results for PDCB. Those elected were

Christine Quante

Dan Statz

The election results for 2nd VP was Jeff Coomler.

Team Indianapolis gave the presentation on the NGAUS conference 2026.

Breakout feedback session for ED conducted by 2nd Vice President Jara.

Breakout feedback was given for elected officers by Col Dan Statz

There was no old business and no comments for new business.

Administrative Comments, 1st Vice President Corie Lucero announced no round table for February.

President Harris swears in Corie Lucero as new NGEDA president.

Corie as president then swears in new officers.

Elizabeth Jara as 1st VP

Jeff Coomler as 2nd VP

Marvin Harris as past President/treasurer

And Jeffery Waddell as Elected officer representative

The incoming president made comments and presented Outgoing president Harris with a president's gavel award.

The annual business meeting was concluded 1215.

The Hotel double blind Lottery for the Indianapolis conference was held. Results were posted to ngeda.org.

Respectfully Submitted by Corie Lucero, NGEDA First Vice President.