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NGANJ EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – 19 October 2010

The National Guard Association of New Jersey (NGANJ) held its meeting on 19 October 2010 in the Somerset Armory, Somerset, New Jersey.

OPENING

Association President Lt Col Reitberger called the meeting to order at 19:00 hrs. Lt Col Reitberger led the members in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Admin Announcement – MAJ Maldonado made Administrative announcements. On behalf of the Association we thank today's host unit the 42nd RSG for making this meeting arrangements, specifically MAJ Alan Mellen. Requested all look at Exec Council rep roster and annotate any corrections or updates. Please take a copy of the proposed meeting dates for 2011. Also, please take a copy of the NGANJ awards bulletin and share with your unit members and commanders.

Appointments/Resignations – Lt Col Reitberger announced Executive Council resignations and appointments as follows. MAJ Devon Hanson from the ANG headquarters has resigned and Maj Joseph Stewart is appointed in his place.

Recognition of DV and guest – Lt Col Reitberger announced the presence of a distinguished visitor LTC (Ret) Frank Carlone who has served our Association working with our insurance program since 1978.

Roll Call - MAJ Maldonado conducted the Roll Call – 11 Executive Council reps were present out of the 29 filled seats. MAJ Maldonado reported to the president that **we did not have a quorum**. (Attendance Roster is enclosed).

Standing committees

Nominating committee – No report provided.

Membership – COL (Ret) Watson reported that current NGAUS membership for 2010 stands at 596 active members and 6 active life members for a total of 602 members or 65.8% of our targeted number of 915 members. If any Executive Council representative or unit member has any questions concerning their respective membership status, please e-mail COL Watson at bobatw@optonline.net. We have a better percentage than 2009. We exceeded the NGAUS goal for NJ of 63%. The 2010 membership year will close in mid December. Lt Col Reitberger stated that we are actively pursuing to make on-line membership dues payment available.

Legislative – No report provided however Lt Col Reitberger stated that our new legislative committee chair is COL John Scannell. The legislative dinner conducted on 7 July was a success. COL Scannell asked reps to reach out to membership to get an idea what the hot topics are and the challenges they are facing. Also, to get input on where we want to take this organization and what do we want to focus on legislatively. We are planning to do another bus trip to Washington D.C. in the fall to visit NGAUS and legislators.

Resolutions – Lt Col Main stated that we have not yet received any resolutions. Lt Col Reitberger stated that 3 out of 4 of the resolutions submitted to NGAUS were accepted to be moved into the Legislative agenda. MAJ Maldonado mentioned that the reps should be notifying the membership that potential resolutions they may be interested in can be submitted thru the reps or contact the resolutions committee directly.

Publicity & Public Relations – No report provided.

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

NGANJ State Conference – Lt Col Reitberger stated that for 2011 Annual state conference is being held at the TAJ Mahal on 8-9 April of 2011. Lt Col Reitberger stated the 57th Troop command has the primary responsibility to support the logistics of the conference. MAJ Andrew Lazarchick provided the executive council the brief given to the Chief of Staff on the plan to support the state conference. The intent is to spread the support responsibilities throughout all the MSCs. MAJ Maldonado stated he will e-mail copy of briefing slides to all council reps. We are working on having a trade show during the conference as a fund raiser.

Investments – No report provided. Lt Col Reitberger announced that funds have remained steady.

Awards – No report provided however MAJ Maldonado mentioned MAJ McGehee has issued the Awards bulletin and we have copies for you to take back to your chain of command.

Treasurer Report – See report provided attached.

Special Committees

Scholarship – No report provided. Lt Col Reitberger stated that we issued 12 \$500 scholarship from the proceeds received from the Golf outing. CPT Magistro stated that the original announcement of the Scholarship stated that it was a \$1000 scholarship and therefore we should be consistent to award what is announced. Lt Col Reitberger stated that we will be changing the application to reflect the awards program correctly.

Constitution – COL (Ret) Watson reported that proposed changes to constitution and by-laws need to be provided to the President NLT 60 days prior to the Annual Business meeting. Proposed changes then must go to the membership for review NLT 30 days before the meeting.

Corporate Membership – No report provided

Insurance – Lt Col Reitberger stated that we need to grow this program because it is nowhere near where we can be, we currently have about 700 policy holders out of a possible 8000 soldiers and Airmen. Insurance program funds our legislative actions. If any Guard member wants to know more information about the Insurance program they can visit our web site. LTC (Ret) Carlone stated that this insurance program compliments SGLI and one of the key features of this program is that we can have a check in the beneficiary's hand in about 24 hours. If a unit would like an insurance briefing the commander should contact NGANJ and request the brief.

Information Technology – Lt Col Reitberger stated that the IT committee is a new committee and is chaired by COL Stenson. We are looking for volunteers for this committee that is willing to help bring the Association current with IT like facebook page and tweeter. Contact Association secretary if interested.

Golf Outing – Lt Col Reitberger announced that the next golf outing will be held in June at the Falcon creek golf club in McGuire AFB.

Service Awards – COL (Ret) Watson reminded council that the Service award is for Executive Council members that serve 3 consecutive years in service of the Association. We have given 50 awards to date.

Long Range Planning – Lt Col (Ret) Rosenthal stated that he will be setting up a date for committee to meet in the near future.

Group Reps:

Non-Active Regular Members/Retirees – No Report

Old Business – None

New Business – Nominations committee needs to get together to prepare the nominations.

Closing

A motion was made to adjourn. Motion was seconded and Lt Col Reitberger adjourned the meeting.

If there are any corrections to the minutes please contact the undersigned.

Jose D. Maldonado
Major, NJ Army National Guard
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:
Attendance Sheet
Treasurer Report

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Executive Council

29 Seats Filled
Need 15 for quorum

Attendance on 19 Oct 2010				Present
POSITION	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	
PRESIDENT	LtCol	REITBERGER	RICHARD	P
1st VICE PRESIDENT	LTC	PEACE	WILLIAM	P
2nd VICE PRESIDENT	LtCol	SLAUGHTER	RANDY	
SECRETARY	MAJ	MALDONADO	JOSE	P
TREASURER	CPT	BLACHOWSKI	MICHELLE	P
PAST PRESIDENT	COL (Ret)	WATSON	ROBERT	P
<u>NJANG REPRESENTATIVES:</u>				
<u>CoS JFHQ (COL FERRARI):</u>				
JFHQ REP (A) - HQs	LTC	MAHON	DAN	
JFHQ REP (B) - 21st CST, Det 4, Det 5, Det 19 OSAC	CW2	SIMMS	JOHN	P
<u>JTTDC (COL THOMAS):</u>				
JTTDC REP	CPT	MAGISTRO	PAUL	P
<u>254th RTI (COL ALVARADO):</u>				
254 RTI REP - Hqs, RTSM	CPT	DUNN	CHRIS	
<u>57th TROOP COMMAND (COL GAGNON):</u>				
57th TC (A) REP - Hqs, MP Units, EN Co	MAJ	CERRULLO	GREGORY	
57th TC (B) REP - All Aviation Units		VACANT		
119th CSB, 253rd TC		VACANT		
<u>42nd RSG (COL COWAN):</u>				
42nd RSG (A) REP - Hqs, 444th PAD, Finance <i>MAT</i> CPT		WHITAKER	KIERE	P
42nd RSG (B) REP - 50th PSB, AG Dets	2LT	SPRINGER	TY	P
42nd RSG (C) REP - 117 CSSB, 508 MP, 154th QM, 50th Chem		VACANT		
<u>50th BCT (COL SCHECHTER):</u>				
50th BCT (A) REP - Hqs	CPT	COMBS	SEAN	
50th BCT (B) REP - 2-113th IN	ILT	LIN	WILSON	
50th BCT (C) REP - 1-114th IN	ILT	LORE	JOHN	
50th BCT (D) REP - 102nd RSTA	CPT	TIRRI	VINCENT	<i>Rep</i>
50th BCT (E) REP - 3-112TH	MAJ	MARTIN	JOEL	
50th BCT (F) REP - 50th BSTB	ILT	BROGNA	FRANK	
50th BCT (G) REP - 250th BSB	CPT	ABREU	JUAN	
<u>NIANG REPRESENTATIVES:</u>				
<u>CoS ANG (LtCol McCaughey)</u>				
ANG REP - Hqs	Capt MAJ	HANSON <i>Stewart</i>	DEVON <i>Joseph</i>	
<u>108th ARW (BG CUNIFF):</u>				
108th ARW (A) REP	Lt Col	MAINE	FRANCINE	P
108th ARW (B) REP	1Lt	DRAGON	WALTER	
108th ARW (C) REP	Maj	MILLER	JASON	
108th ARW (D) REP	Capt	KELLY	APRIL	
<u>177th FW (COL BOLTON):</u>				
177th FW (A) REP	Maj	DAGNEY	EDWARD	
177th FW (B) REP		VACANT		
177th FW (C) REP		VACANT		
<u>GROUP REPS:</u>				
RETIREE (A) REP	COL (Ret)	CAPRARIO	FRANK	
RETIREE (B) REP	CW5 (Ret)	PETROSILLI	JACK	
RETIREE (C) REP	LtCol (Ret)	ROSENTHAL	JOHN	P

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SUBJECT Treasurers Report

1. As of 15 Oct 2010 the NGANJ has a Net Income \$3.98 and Operating Account Balance is \$9,373.85. This Net Income includes the NGAUS Insurance Trust check of \$4, 669.34 & NGAUS Rebate Check of \$476.10. Our original Budget for 2010 did not account for either deposit.
2. The attached Profit & Loss Statement is a breakdown of Income and Expenses the Association has incurred for FY2010.
3. Operating Accounts to take note of:
 - a. NGAUS Insurance Trust & Rebate check totaling \$5,145.44. This is considered Other Income and was not counted in the original budget. These funds have help to offset over spending of \$5,141.46. BLUF the Assoc. would be at a Net Loss.
 - b. Postage & Mailing Service: We over spent by \$1,974.37. This account covers all postage sent out over FY2010 and a mailing sent out for 2011 NGANJ Conference.
 - c. Golf Tournament: the Golf Outing brought in \$9,377.00, spent \$4,806.00 for a profit of \$4,571.00. We issued \$6,000 in Scholarships. The additional funding of \$1,429.00 came out of the operating account.
 - d. Miscellaneous Account: There are Deposits and Expenses that belong to other accounts. I need Deposit slips, Bank Statements, and Receipts in ordered to place them in the correct account.
4. The only possible income the Assoc. has still outstanding is \$3,720.00 in 2010 Membership Dues.and a possible \$2,500 from the Insurance Account. We will need \$3,100.00 for NGEDA come this January.
5. Insurance Account as of 15 Oct 2010 shows a Net Profit of \$7,707.72 and the Insurance Account Balance is \$26,784.89. At the current rate each association should be able to receive a share of \$5,000. This will leave over \$16,000 in the account.
 - a. Income: The account will fluctuate up and down after the 13th of each month when premiums are paid.

b. Expense: The \$16,000.00 will cover \$1,100 for FED Tax, \$6,000 in monthly premiums, and enough funding to cover any Legislative Expenses.

6. Any questions regarding the above information feel free to contact the undersigned at 609-304-9700 or email to ROTCS1@rci.rutgers.edu.

MICHEL A. BLACHOWSKI
CPT, FI
Treasurer