

# **THE NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY**

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## **NGANJ EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – 6 July 2010**

The National Guard Association of New Jersey (NGANJ) held its meeting on 6 July 2010 in the National Guard Training Center, Sea Girt, 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 254<sup>th</sup> Regiment for making this meeting arrangements, specifically CPT Chris Dunn. Next Executive council Meetings host is the 42<sup>nd</sup> RSG in Somerset, NJ. Requested all look at Exec Council rep roster and annotate any corrections or updates.

**Appointments/Resignations** – Lt Col Reitberger announced Executive Council resignations and appointments as follows. Appointments made were Major Greg Cerullo as a 57<sup>th</sup> Troop Command Rep. Lt Col Reitberger also appointed COL John Scannell as the Legislative Committee Chair. There were not resignations.

**Roll Call** - MAJ Maldonado conducted the Roll Call – 12 Executive Council reps were present out of the 30 filled seats. MAJ Maldonado reported to the president that **we did not have a quorum**. (Attendance Roster is enclosed). Lt Col Reitberger thanked all that attended and notified all reps that it was very important that we get all the reps attending the meetings. It is especially important to attend when there are items requiring the executive council votes and therefore we must reach a quorum.

### **Standing committees**

**Nominating committee** – No report provided.

**Membership** – COL (Ret) Watson reported that current NGAUS membership for 2010 stands at 467 active members and 5 active life members for a total of 472 members or 51.6% 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](mailto:bobatw@optonline.net). Unit rosters were passed out to unit reps. Lt Col Reitberger stated that the more dues paying members we have, the more we can do for our members.

Legislative –Lt Col Reitberger stated that the legislative dinner that our Association sponsors will be held 7 July. Congress staffers will be touring different sites of the NJ National Guard. Lt Brogna discussed a law passed in February requiring NG members that are eligible for veteran education to apply for those benefits before applying for the NJ free tuition benefits. This was introduced in October and passed in January. NGAUS is currently working the early retirement credit making it retroactive to 9/11. Lt Col Reitberger stated the NJ Air Guard Commander is working with the Association to develop strategies to work on our future missions. Lt Brogna stated that we need to be aware of what the DMAVA legislative agenda is in order to support the same agenda.

Resolutions – Lt Col Reitberger stated that the three resolutions that we passed at our Annual Business meeting were accepted by NGAUS and will be presented at the national conference.

Publicity & Public Relations – No report provided. Lt Col Reitberger stated that the various functions we will be hosting will be used to promote our Association and educate our membership. Lt Reitberger stated to let him know of anyone who may be interested in being in this committee.

### CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

NGANJ State Conference – The host for the 2011 NGANJ state conference is the 57<sup>th</sup> Troop Command. MAJ Cerullo stated that dates for the conference have been set for 8-10 April 2011. The 57<sup>th</sup> Troop Cmd will be preparing an operations order to distribute to units in order to issue tasking to other major commands. On 13 July an in progress review (IPR) will be held to discuss the conference. MAJ Maldonado stated that this will be a new process to support the state conference. Unit reps need to go back to their chain of command and notify them that they will be responsible to support the conference based on the tasking issued to the unit.

NGAUS Conference – Lt Col Reitberger mentioned that the NGAUS conference for 2010 will be held in Austin Texas, 21-23 August 2010. Conference bulletin is posted on our web site. We currently only have 8 members attending from NJ. We have not received any names from Chief of Staff Offices (Army and Air) for nominees to attend the NGAUS Professional Development Training.

Investments – No report provided. Lt Col Reitberger announced that we have maintained steady.

Finance – No report provided.

Awards – No report provided.

Treasurer Report – No report provided.

### Special Committees

Scholarship – Lt Col Reitberger reported that the golf outing made just under \$5,000, which is used for the scholarship fund. We received 15 applications for the scholarship however two applications were incomplete. The Committee will be awarding 12 \$500 scholarships.

Constitution – No report provided.

Corporate Membership – Lt Col Reitberger stated that we need to expand on this program and we are looking for anyone interested in helping out with this.

Insurance – Lt Col Reitberger reported that we currently have about 700 insurance policy holders but we need to expand on this also.

Golf tournament – Lt Col Reitberger stated that the Presidents Golf outing was held in June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Falcon Creek Golf Course in McGuire AFB, and made just under \$5,000.

Service Awards – COL (Ret) Watson reported that this year we are up to date. This award is for Executive council reps or committee chairs that have service 3 or more consecutive years.

Long Range Planning – No report provided.

**Group Reps:**

Non-Active Regular Members/Retirees – No Report Provided. Mr. Petrosilli requested that they are kept in the loop for all functions. Lt Col Reitberger mentioned we will be sending out post cards to all retirees.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – Lt Col Reitberger mentioned that we need interested officers to run for elected officer positions.

**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

**NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF NJ  
Executive Council**

Attendance on 6 Jul 10				Present
<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	
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	
PAST PRESIDENT	COL (Ret)	WATSON	ROBERT	P
<b><u>NIARNG REPRESENTATIVES:</u></b>				
<b><u>CoS JFHQ (COL FERRARD):</u></b>				
JFHQ REP (A) - HQs	LTC	MAHON	DAN	P
JFHQ REP (B) - 21st CST, Det 4, Det 5, Det 19 OSAC	CW2	SIMMS	JOHN	P
<b><u>JTTDC (COL THOMAS):</u></b>				
JTTDC REP	CPT	MAGISTRO	PAUL	P
<b><u>254th RTI (COL ALVARADO):</u></b>				
254 RTI REP - Hqs, RTSM	CPT	DUNN	CHRIS	P
<b><u>57th TROOP COMMAND (COL GAGNON):</u></b>				
57th TC (A) REP - Hqs, MP Units, EN Co	MAJ	CERRULLO	GREGORY	P
57th TC (B) REP - All Aviation Units		VACANT		
119th CSB, 253rd TC		VACANT		
<b><u>42nd RSG (COL COWAN):</u></b>				
42nd RSG (A) REP - Hqs, 444th PAD, Finance	MAJ	WHITAKER	KIERE	
42nd RSG (B) REP - 50th PSB, AG Dets	2LT	SPRINGER	TY	
42nd RSG (C) REP - 117 CSSB, 508 MP, 154th QM, 50th Chem		VACANT		
<b><u>50th BCT (COL SCHECHTER):</u></b>				
50th BCT (A) REP - Hqs	CPT	COMBS	SEAN	
50th BCT (B) REP - 2-113th IN	1LT	LIN	WILSON	
50th BCT (C) REP - 1-114th IN	1LT	LORE	JOHN	
50th BCT (D) REP - 102nd RSTA	CPT	TIRRI	VINCENT	
50th BCT (E) REP - 3-112TH	MAJ	MARTIN	JOEL	P
50th BCT (F) REP - 50th BSTB	1LT	BROGNA	FRANK	P
50th BCT (G) REP - 250th BSB	CPT	ABREU	JUAN	
<b><u>NIANG REPRESENTATIVES:</u></b>				
<b><u>CoS ANG (LtCol McCaughey)</u></b>				
ANG REP - Hqs	MAJ	STEWART	JOSEPH	
<b><u>108th ARW (BG CUNIFF):</u></b>				
108th ARW (A) REP	Lt Col	MAINE	FRANCINE	
108th ARW (B) REP	1Lt	DRAGON	WALTER	
108th ARW (C) REP	Maj	MILLER	JASON	
108th ARW (D) REP	Capt	KELLY	APRIL	
<b><u>177th FW (COL BOLTON):</u></b>				
177th FW (A) REP	Maj	DAGNEY	EDWARD	
177th FW (B) REP		VACANT		
177th FW (C) REP		VACANT		
<b><u>GROUP REPS:</u></b>				
RETIREE (A) REP	COL (Ret)	CAPRARIO	FRANK	
RETIREE (B) REP	CW5 (Ret)	PETROSILLI	JACK	P
RETIREE (C) REP	LtCol (Ret)	ROSENTHAL	JOHN	