



NSEA Past State President's Advisory Council Minutes Midterm Nov 18, 2022



President: William "Bill" Wiseman, PSP, DL
Secretary: William "Bill" Bohnett, PSP, DL
Treasurer: Albert "Al" Bye, PDDGER, SP

Date: November 18, 2022 **Call to Order:** 2:32pm **By:** President Bill Wiseman

Invocation: Frank Reynolds III, PE **Pledge:** Frank Reynolds III, PE

All Officers in Attendance

Members in Attendance (PSPs): Bill Wiseman, Ted Balash, Al Bye, Russ Childers, Marlen Hoesly, William Bohnett, Gene Presnell, Dee Boskie, Jim Shirkey, Dan Wells, Dave Pressler, Ken Curto.

Guests in Attendance: Jim Grillo PGER (Area 7 Sponsor), Robert Duitsman PGER (Area 7 Sponsor), Bruce A. Hidley, GER, Jim Shirkey SDGER, Bill Wiseman Area 7 GL Activities Committee Chairman, Janet Leuer, Area 7 GL Auditing & Accounting Committee, (and husband Ed) Frank Reynolds III, PE, Christopher Coyer PER, NSEA Convention Committee

Minutes of the Previous Session: April 2022 Minutes - Motion to Approve – Marlen Hoesly, seconded by Balash. APPROVED as published on the NSEA Website.

Treasurer's Report: Board Treasurer Al Bye reported the following:

Begin: \$3,112.82 Checking

No other income was mentioned in this report.

Sickness and Distress: No report.

Unfinished Business:

Upcoming April Meeting Presentations:

Boskie opened with concerns regarding complications when having a rotation between the north and south districts. So far hotels in the north contacted are wanting long term contracts to hold an all-inclusive convention. No resort names were provided. Asking lodges in the north to host runs into difficulty recruiting enough volunteers, and finding lodge to host. He recommended a committee for each district comprised of capable individuals to coordinate a convention. Dee also stated the use of a professional event coordinator can, and has been useful. (Currently using Tim McCarr – Coyer acquaintance) Also... VIP costs are a concern. Costs to the lodges, or possibly soon the NSEA can be as much as up to \$7000 per convention. Dee contacted the NSEA Trustees to help with accommodating said funds. The NSEA Trustees will meet in December and discuss during budget negotiations, and create a line item to fund

this request. Partial reimbursement to this \$7000 will be returned from registration assessments.

Chris Coyer PER Convention Chairman gave an update on the “goings on” as the Convention progresses. Events and banquets can be held at one location. The facilities are under renovation and as a result the housing portion of this package must be offsite at the Strat Hotel. Ahern will provide housing at future venues. Shuttles will be provided to and from the Strat. The Ahern facilities are high profile and the Ahern is waiving banquet room rentals to accommodate the NSEA. Approximate meal costs. 3 meals per person equals \$58. Out of all the locations looked into, the Ahern has been the best bet.

Wiseman confirmed with Coyer and Boskie that the \$7000 was a “loan” with the intention of paying back the NSEA. Control of funds going forward should be handled by the NSEA treasury. Wiseman reconfirmed his desire to be at the same venue. Like Ahern

Discussion in regards to the Hospitality Room. Coyer stated the Strat was willing to work with the NSEA if the event facilities was rented accordingly, also staffed by Strat personnel. Coyer stated we can possibly use an attendee room for a hospitality room.

Coyer and Boskie discussed his desire for the Convention Committee to consists of the two District VPs, and some key volunteers with Dee being the Chairman north, and Chris the Chairman south. (It was later discussed and directed that a past state president from the north and south should also act as a liaison on said committees. Boskie for the north and Bill Bohnett for the south.)

Discussion ensued for lodge sponsoring for the north and south, and weather, travel, etc. concerns were voiced. Various members voiced their “pros and cons” for the possibility of holding the NSEA at one location. Are our numbers enough to satisfy a permanent residence.

Wiseman asked if Boskie and Coyer have a proposal that states our intentions, pricing, etc. for the next four years at the Ahern? We need something in black and white. The consensus after this discussion was that the Ahern handle all NSEA Meetings if possible. Or to look into this. Boski stated he still intends to pursue north properties. Grillo stated his satisfaction in hearing the excellent accommodations and pricing at the Ahern. With such a “cherry deal,” why not meet at the Ahern always. Similar to how Arizona Elks hold all their meeting in Tempe, AZ. Lock it in if you can. Wiseman agreed... “why alternate.” With the understanding of the travel demands. Gene Presnell stated; “the north and south thing was always based on if lodges wanted to sponsor the meetings. There is nothing stating a rotation is mandatory. The GER stated he’s “blown away” on the prices and recommended the AB make a decision today! Shirkey stated the volunteer “burn out” goes away when a single location is used.

Motion by Presnell Motioned to lock in Ahern for 1 year, with possibility of a four year commitment for our NSEA conventions, and to have Boskie and Coyer get the documentation back to the AB a.s.a.p. Seconded by Bohnett. Motion passed. (all in favor, except one opposed)

Motion by Presnell to proceed with an immediate committee consisting of at least five volunteers with Coyer and Boskie staying on, and at least one PSP from the north (Boski), one from the south (Bohnett), seconded by Shirkey. Motion passed.

Coyer: April at Ahern is taken care of for those concerned.

Upcoming NSEA Officer Positions

Wiseman discussed the upcoming NSEA officers need supporting documents to the Advisory Board before their nominations in April. A strong business knowledge for candidates is highly recommended.

New Business:

1.) NSEA PE Frank Reynolds read off his upcoming officers and committee chairs recommendations, and mentioned some of the logistics for these candidates. Wiseman stated the PSPs present need to get more intimate with the latest manuals and procedures as well to act as mentors.

2.) Bill Wiseman asked Shirkey to discuss upcoming District VP terms, conditions, etc.

Shirkey stated the following: *"I am asking all PDDGERs to make District VP recommendations and decide a District VP candidate at both the upcoming north and south PDDGER Leadership Caucuses. Must be a PER. Resumes of these DVP candidates will need to provide supporting documents similar to DDGER recommendations from their respective lodge PERs, officers, etc. The DLs will send the recommended candidate winner to myself. I, in turn will make my recommendations to our sponsors for final approvals. I will send out the formal procedures soon. The current State VP in the south, Ross Dyer, will stay in the rotation towards PE according to the bylaws. This year. New bylaw changes will be forthcoming. Choice of future President Elects will be chosen from the Past District VP pool. Selection recommendations will come from the NSEA PSPs."*

Good of the Advisory Board:

Wiseman asked all guests for comments.

Wiseman thanked all for attending.

Adjournment by Wiseman: Approx. 4:21pm

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Bohnett

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