

NGAW Board Meeting 19 Feb 2026 1130hrs

Present:

Fernando Garcia

Jim Kovell

Jeff Cole

Erin McMicheal

Brian Golonka

Missy Wessman

Courtney Lawson

Board Members Not Present: Jesse, Tanya

Quorum Present

Vote to Approve last Minutes. Fernando motions, Jeff seconds, motion passed to approve minutes.

1. Travelers Insurance for claim of loss items from the fire. Loss location was not accurate and only valued at \$5,000 of lost property, so will not be filing the claim.

2. Industry Day update.

- Collins Aerospace paid but may not attend.

- Discussed corporate sponsor setups. Currently 24 sponsors confirmed attending, anticipating more.

- Discussed support to event: Need volunteers for a membership table.

3. Investments. Jeff, Brian, and Fernando to be added to the account. Forms mostly filled out and ready to go.

4. State Conference and Militia Ball.

- Recon 12 March at 1000.

- Fernando reviewed State Conference Agenda.

- 10 room hotel block reserved for State Conference. Can hand over extra rooms to Militia Ball as needed.

- Fernando will be the presenter for Area Director EANGUS.

- Missy provided registration update. Registration is working but still early/low enrollment.

- Discussed complimentary attendance to the conference for Junior enlisted. 2-4 per MSC/Wing.

 - 4 per MSC/Wing agreed. Jim to talk to CSM Gibbons and CCM Nolan.

- Fernando and Erin will look into swag bags for attendees.

- No payments due until 30 days out.
- Ball Silent Auction will benefit the NGAW foundation. Plug to ask for donations.

5. NGEDA Report. (Jesse) Tabled for next meeting.

6. Minuteman Fund. Minuteman Fund Board voted to be subsumed by NGAW, pending NGAW Board approval. Minuteman Fund to be a subordinate working group under NGAW.

- Jeff discussed further opportunities to seek donors.
- Erin discussed naming conventions and overlap with NGAW Foundation.
- Discussion on incremental incorporation in advance of larger bylaw-level incorporation with the NGAW Foundation.

-Jim motion to table for more research. Jeff will reach out for more information.
Fernando seconds motions to table. Motion to table passes.

7. Scholarships open 1 March. Jeff appointed as Scholarship Chair. Jim to provide handoff support.

8. Discussion on equipment purchase (Brian). Estimated \$5,000 before tax. Erin needs to look at the budget and Brian to get quotes.

-Fernando motion to table until budget reviewed and Brian has quotes. Jim seconds.
Motion to table passes.

9. Membership Report

- Replacement for Tanya. Resignation receive via email 11 Feb 2026
- Coverage for OCS 12 April and WOCS August Graduations.

10. Legislative Report – Sophia not present.

11. Discussion: Set Dollar Amount to Spend w/o Board Approval (Budget Allowing)

Tabled to next meeting due to no longer quorum present.

12. Approved via Signal vote between Meetings:

- Dr Perrin History Event up to \$250 for refreshments and beverages.
- \$100 for thank you gift card to Ed for many years of service as camp host.

13. Push for board member recruitment. Please encourage new people to join as there are several positions open.