

**January 15-16, 2018**  
**NLC Meeting Minutes**  
**San Diego, CA**

**NLC MEETING PARTICIPANTS** – Steve Weidner, Richard Fagg, Richard Kennington, Trisha Pesiri-Dybvik, Corey Soignet, Allison Schwaegel, Mike Hanlon, Andre Jean, Kristena Jones, Samantha Giberson, Stan Parulski

**NLC MEMBERS ABSENT** - None

**NLC MENTORSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS** – David Skarphol, Mike Orr, Caryn Smith

**GUEST PARTICIPANTS** – Jenny Benjamin

**MEETING DATES**

Future Meeting/Class Dates

- Future NLC Meeting Dates
  - April 16-17 (Philadelphia, PA – Convention - Fly in on April 15<sup>th</sup> and out after convention on the night of the 20<sup>th</sup> or the 21<sup>st</sup> . Let Steve know if you can't stay for convention.
  - September 24-25 (Washington, DC)
  - December 2-3 (TBD)
- 2018 Basic Legislative Activism Class Dates
  - February 21-22 (Las Vegas, NV) – Richard Kennington/Jenny Benjamin
  - March 20-21 (Pittsburgh, PA) – TBD
  - March 22-23 (Seattle, WA) – Richard Kennington/Denise Spencer
  - September 11-12 (Las Vegas, NV – Richard Kennington/Denise Spencer
- 2018 Advanced Legislative Activism Class Dates
  - November 27-29 (Washington DC) - Richard Kennington/Steve Weidner
  - NLC member's attending the advanced class do not need to register via the portal.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Legislative Website/Mobile Website/App
  - Steve updated the NLC on Public Affairs efforts in these areas
- GIS graphic to show state coordinators.
  - Discussion around what this graphic would look like
- Create a subfolder in Sharefile for regional class information
- Discussion surrounding PAC Presentations at RTF Class
  - Committee decided to abandon the idea of a PAC presentation at RTF in favor of focusing on the smaller facilities within our own regions.
- Legislative in NATCA 101.

- No update, Steve/Richard still need to meet with Dawn Johnson.
- Region X document showing locals/3-letter ID's.
  - Sam to develop content for NiW Magazine outlining how the furloughs and shutdowns affect Region X
- NLC Charter.
  - Steve gave an update on the changes to be made to bring it inline with the constitution.
- Facility Tour Spreadsheet Update.
  - Andre showed the information collected on previous facility tours. Andre will continue to use the current spreadsheet to track tours.
  - Steve will talk to Thom about using Sarah and the GIS software to display and track facility tours.
- Bill Highway Update.
  - Briefing and discussion regarding rollout logistics
- Trello Briefing completed by Steve
- Facility and State Coordinator document combination
  - Both documents were reviewed, modified, and finalized by the committee
- Congressional Award update
  - Put on hold

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 2018 New Candidate Questionnaire
  - Questionnaire was completed and distributed in January 2018.
- Swag distribution
  - Corey introduced a new proposal for distributing swag from Made to Order.
- Adding NLC member and state coordinator contact info on the Portal when members sign in.
- Steve to talk to Jose about getting the PAB agenda out the day before the call.
- Steve to talk to Aaron Katz about hosting a dinner one of the nights during Facrep training that would be attended by a few NLC members to discuss the PAC

### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Mentorship Committee Report
  - Reviewed Mentorship checklists
  - Discussed expanded roles for outgoing mentees.
  - Discussed Mentee opening (NAL or NSW)
- PAC Committee Report
  - Current PAC Status
    - As of PP1/2018 - \$8,170,591.44 (Includes outstanding forms)
    - 2017 Losses to retirement - \$308,510.80
    - Completed year-end review
  - Jenny can send swag to pre-convention meeting if NLC members give her a heads up.

- Trisha will share with the committee via the listserv what she hands out at her pre-convention meeting.
- Education Committee Report
  - Sub-committee will be meeting March 4-5 to revamp the basic class.
  - Advanced class already has 40 + people registered. The maximum number the class can handle is 22.
- Grassroots Committee Report
  - Discussed upcoming midterm elections
- Website/IT Committee Report
  - Website design on hold until new website is in place

## **CONVENTION**

- Discussion regarding opening reception at Constitution center
  - Allison, Sam, Richard and Steve to visit the venue in February and report back to the committee.
  - Idea's include:
    - scavenger hunt
    - jeopardy style game based on getting to know your NLC member, knowing NATCA's legislative History
    - Keep it fun
    - Can we do something with 1787 and 1987?
- Larger discussion about engaging members during the week
- Stan will get additional phone chargers to put at legislative table.
- PAC Swag
  - Discussion on distribution of PAC swag at convention
- Convention classes. Two were submitted to be taught during the break outs.
  - NATCA Working for you - This class will attempt to be the most basic legislative class we have done. In short, this class will discuss our past legislative successes and our immediate future challenges. With that foundation, we will discuss relationship building and how the PAC is a part of that. Attendees will leave with a better complete foundation of NATCA's legislative efforts. Many of our members have pockets of knowledge can't explain to another member the legislative basics.
  - Hate Politics? Comon' In - This class would address what NATCA's legislative efforts has gotten us in the past and what we are up against in the future. We would talk about the successes we have had such as the GI Bill, defeating official time legislation etc. We would talk about what we are fighting in the future using recent headlines etc. Attendees will understand that NATCA activism is approachable, it's for everyone, and a political background isn't necessary to be successful.

## **NATCA IN WASHINGTON**

- NIW 2018 (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> NIW / Try to tie into convention)
  - May 21-23, 2018 – Hyatt on Capitol Hill
  - 2018 Budget - \$750,000 (2017 - \$700,000)
  - All NLC members will call their first timers.
  - Logistics
    - Opening Reception – Hyatt
    - Sunday afternoon class. Committee wants to host a class starting about 3:00 that would meet for 10-15 minutes and then include a walking tour of Capitol Hill hosted by Allison and Trisha. Maybe split them into two groups to keep them smaller and more personal. Instead of all the education being done in classroom, it would be done during the walking tour including interesting facts about the Hill.
    - Monday/Tuesday – All on ballroom level
    - Monday Night Dinner – Carmines (starting at 7pm)
    - Tuesday Lunch - Bullfeathers
    - Congressional Reception – Rayburn Cafeteria
    - Tuesday Night Dinners – 7<sup>th</sup> Street area
  - Monday Regional Breakouts
    - Two breakouts
    - Second breakouts
  - Class at NIW
    - See NiW planning meeting minutes