



## NSEA Past State President's Advisory Council Minutes

Annual Meeting November 17, 2023

President: William "Bill" Wiseman, PSP, DL

Secretary: William "Bill" Bohnett, PSP, DL

Treasurer: Albert "Al" Bye, PDDGER, SP



**Date:** Nov. 17, 2023    **Call to Order:** 2:15pm    **By:** President Bill Wiseman

**Invocation:** Bohnett    **Pledge:** Al Bye

All Advisory Board Officers in Attendance

**Members in Attendance (PSPs):** Bill Wiseman, Al Bye, Russ Childers, Marlon Hoesly, William Bohnett, Gene Presnell, Dee Boskie, Jim Shirkey, Dan Wells, Dave Pressler, Ben Decena, Ted Balash, Ken Catlin

**Guests in Attendance:** Robert Duitsman PGER (Area 7 Sponsor), Frank Reynolds III (NSEA President), Ross Dyer PE, Christopher Coyer PER, Randy Shook GER, Rick Stone GL GR Committee

**Minutes of the Previous Session:** April 28, 2023 Minutes - Motion to Approve – Bohnett, seconded by Hoesly. APPROVED as published on the NSEA Website.

**Treasurer's Report:** Board Treasurer Al Bye reported the following:  
Begin: \$2,935.07  
All PSPs are paid up. No other income was mentioned in this report.

**Sickness and Distress:** No report.

**Upcoming Grand Lodge Conventions:** Wiseman reported on the following  
Austin – July 2024. Kansas City – June 2025. Chicago – July 2026

**NSEA Officers for the Upcoming Year:** Wiseman reported on the upcoming positions in April 2024. Ross Dyer will take office as NSEA President. PE will be proposed from the North. 4-year NSEA Trustee from the North. North and South Caucuses will propose a District VP and DDGER to our Area 7 Sponsors at their respective annual caucuses.

### Unfinished Business:

- Dee Boskie reported on this current convention attendance. 168 Registered including invited guests. 65 Rooms reserved. Convention running fairly smoothly. Some conflict with the meeting schedule. Hotel was accommodating. All applauded Boskie's committee efforts.

### Upcoming April Meeting Presentation:

Chris Coyer gave an update on the progress and logistics at this Ahern Las Vegas Convention in April, and thanked his team. 70 rooms slated so far. \$109/night. No resort fees. Free Parking. Event is all on the Ahern property. *No Stratosphere accommodations needed.* Program and Packet forthcoming after final negotiations. Wiseman stated a questionnaire will be going out to the lodges discussing possible suggestions for this conference, and apply the program responses as necessary. Boski reminded all the State Association is now involved in the convention unlike year's past. Wiseman thanked Coyer and Boski and their committees for a job well done and requested/directed the team and advisors remain the same as last April's volunteers. There were no objections. Consensus was the Annual will be in Las Vegas, and the Midterm in Carson City. Nothing is written in stone. Lodges will have the opportunity to propose running a convention if they want to.

### New Business:

- NSEA and Advisory Board Bylaw Changes.  
Wiseman discussed the upcoming changes to be proposed and voted upon at the Saturday, Nov. 18 Business Meeting. Wiseman discussed several "housekeeping" changes in the NSEA and AB Bylaws to be sent to Judiciary for approvals after delegate approval at the Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> NSEA Business session. Some of the proposed changes, in no particular order, are as follows:  
"All PSPs will act as advisors to the officers and committees. The NSEA President and President-Elect shall attend all PSP meetings as non-voting members." The new Bylaws will eliminate a fall meeting of the PSPs usually held in Tonopah. Other "housekeeping" changes were briefly discussed. Wiseman explained these and additional changes with no questions or objections Motion to accept by: Hoesly, seconded by Shirkey. Passed.  
**[See attached document for all the changes and details.]**
- Wiseman reminded all the PSPs are expected to remain active long after their year as President is complete. *As prescribed by the Area 7 Advisors.*

- Wiseman requested President-Elect Ross to report on progress in regards to those he is looking at as NSEA Committee Chairs and Officers for the upcoming year. Ross obliged with a progress report. Related discussion regarding officers, committees, and programs, his visitations, etc. ensued with no major concerns or objections. Ross will continue to confide with the PSPs during his selection process in a timely manner.
- Wiseman reminded all the PSPs are expected to remain active long after their year as President is complete. *As prescribed by the Area 7 Advisors.*
- Wiseman asked Shirkey to remind all of the selection process of the DDGER Designates and District VPs at the North and South Caucuses in January, 2024. Shirkey stated DD selection by all the PDDGERS remains the same. Two names will be selected. First choice, and second choice results from the PDDGERS. These selections will be sent to him (Shirkey), and he will caucus with the Area 7 Sponsors (PGERs) for final selection. Selection of the District VP, using the same criteria, will also be selected at the January Caucuses by the PDDGERS and PSP in attendance. Additionally selection of a President Elect to be submitted for vote to the annual April NSEA Convention should be selected from the pool of DVPs already existing. (Depending on with District's turn in the North or South rotation... Example: Ross Dyer is the incoming President from the South. The North will submit a candidate to be voted upon for PE.) These selections are recommendations by the NSEA Past State Presidents and Sponsors. The NSEA delegation will have the opportunity to discuss and vote at the annual April meeting to finalize these offices.

**Good of the Association:** Wiseman welcomed back Ken Catlin PSP back from his personal health journey.

Supportive Comments by Guests: Rick Stone GLGR Committeeman. Bob Duitsman PGER.  
Randy Shook GER

**Adjournment:** 3:40pm

**THE BYLAWS OF THE**  
**NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**ARTICLE 1 – PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Advisory Council (Council) is to foster the spirit of good fellowship among the member Lodges of the Nevada State Elks Association (Association) and to render experienced counsel and assistance to officers and **committees men** of the NSEA. By so doing the Council assists in keeping the administration of the Association in safe and capable hands and furthers the credit of the Association to our State, local communities, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (Order).

**Article 2 – Membership**

Any Past State President in good standing in a member Lodge is eligible for membership in the Council. **The sitting Association President and President-Elect may attend meetings as non-voting attendees and Vice President shall also be members of the Council, by invitation only.**

### **Article 3 – Meetings**

**Section 1:** The Council shall hold meetings in conjunction with the regular meetings of the Association, in April and November of each year. The Council shall also hold such special meetings as may be deemed advisable to further the interests of the Association and/or the Order.

**Section 2:** Five **Council Members**, from not less than four Lodges, and not less than two duly elected and installed officers of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

### **Article 4 – Dues**

Annual dues for membership in the Council shall be set, by a majority vote of the **Council Members** present, at the annual meeting of the Association held in April of each year.

### **Article 5 – Officers**

**Section 1:** The Officers of the Council shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

**Section 2:** The term of office for each officer shall be three years.

### **Article 6 – Duties and Expenses of Officers**

**Section 1:** The President shall conduct and preside at meetings of the Council.

**Section 2:** The Secretary shall attend meetings, keep records of the proceedings, furnish copies of the minutes of such meetings to all members; notify members of meetings; preside in the absence of the President; and perform such duties as are normally expected of the office.

**Section 3:** The Treasurer shall attend meetings; receive dues and such other moneys that may be assessed or levied; keep records of such moneys, which shall be maintained in secure bank accounts; and make such disbursement(s) as shall be approved by the Council.

**Section 4:** The Officers of the Council shall receive no compensation for their services; however, they shall receive such expenses as are necessary for the normal conduct of their duties.

### **Article 7 – Amendments**

Any proposed amendment to these Bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the **Council** President at least sixty days prior to the opening of any meeting of the Council. The **Council** President shall forward copies of the proposed amendment to **each member of the Council Association** at least thirty days in advance of any meeting of the Council. A simple majority of **Council Members** present and voting shall prevail;

provided, however, any proposed amendment to these Bylaws which has not been so submitted and referred may be received and acted upon by the Council on a simple majority vote of the Council Members present.

### **Article 8 – Adoption**

These Bylaws shall effect and supersede the Bylaws originally adopted on April 25, 2003.

Revision Approved by the Council: November xx, 2023

Revision Approved by GL Judiciary: January xx, 2024