**2022 Life Member Business Meeting**

**July 18, 2022**

The Life Member business meeting of the 2022 NACAA AM/PIC was called to order by Life Member National Chair Paul Craig with 21 members in attendance. He welcomed everyone after two years in a Covid-world.

Chair Craig introduced the members of the Life Member Committee: Steven Monk, North Central Region, Janet Schmidt, Western Region, Larry Howard, incoming North Central Region, and John Campbell, incoming National Chair. Dirk Webb, Southern Region and Glenn Rogers, Northeastern Region, were unable to attend.

Chair Craig went over activities for the week including the Life Member and Spouse Hospitality suite, tours and the Travelogue scheduled for Thursday with Chuck Schwartau of Minnesota as presenter.

NACAA President Bill Burdine spoke to the group. He addressed the survey sent to members about changing the format of the AM/PIC. President Burdine told the group he would be addressing many of the concerns at Wednesday morning’s general session. Among the things he mentioned were no plans to cut Life Members activities, the cancellation of the Sea World trip for Sons and Daughters (decision made 2 weeks ago), and talked expenses and how they are split with the host state.

Alan Ladd, Life Member and Spouse Committee member for next year’s AM/PIC in Iowa, told of some of the possible activities for Life Members. He asked the group for input. Suggestions included a later start time for the Life Member breakfast, have tours with a stop before lunch and a stop after lunch, and what Life Members wanted to see on tours.

By general agreement, the starting time for the Life Member was changed to 7:00 am instead of 6:30 am.

NACAA Past President Craig Williams briefly addressed the group. He encouraged the collection of correct contact information.

The Remembrance of Deceased Life Members was held. Problems with the reporting of deaths was discussed since several states had no report.

NACAA President-elect Phil Durst addressed the group. His comments included NACAA was strong due to the members that had come before, change is inevitable, Life Members have an important link to the past, encouraged meeting with active members in our home state, encouraged attendance of Life Members at the AM/PIC in Iowa.

Other items mentioned were the need for a Life Member sponsor, maintaining and expanding participation, visit with poster presenters during Meet the Authors, meeting with active members in our home state to encourage them, having a representative attend First Timer Luncheon, and a pre-conference tour for Life Members.