

Nebraska Travel Association Membership Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2025

Kerrie Rempp called November 5, 2025, membership meeting of the Nebraska Travel Association to order at 2:00 p.m. Executive Board Members present in addition to Rempp were Anjanette Bonham, Theresa Grape, Steve Maly, Regina Osburn, Karli Schulz and Fred Uhe. Executive Director Wendy Kreuser and Lobbyist Andy Pollock were also present in addition to 13 NETA members. Bonham moved and Maly seconded to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2025, membership meeting. All members voted to approve.

Kreuser delivered the financial report. No major changes were reported, and net income stands slightly above the same time last year.

Uhe moved and Grape seconded to approve the financial report. All members voted to approve.

Pollock gave the legislative update sharing that the Legislative Session begins January 7 and will be a 60-day session with budget being a major point of discussion. The greatest issue of importance for NETA will be the potential of tourism being moved back under the Department of Economic Development. Pollock mentioned that there have been conversations with Senators in both ways. It was stressed to membership that keeping the Tourism Commission separate from DED is extremely important and members should share their concerns with Senators regarding this topic.

Maly shared that there is a meeting tomorrow to discuss the next steps in hiring a full-time Director of Economic Development.

Bylaw changes were presented to the membership. These changes included removing “for one or more years” and replacing it with “in good standing” to the eligibility for holding office in the association and increasing the number of years that a President may serve from one year to two years.

Osburn moved and Traci Jeffrey seconded to approve the bylaw changes. All members voted to approve.

Rempp shared that NETA continues to reach out to partner organizations across the state.

Advocacy Day will take place on February 12 at 8:00am as part of the Nebraska Travel Conference. The board is working on plans for this event. The NETA membership meeting will take place on February 11 in the afternoon.

Rempp shared nominations are being accepted for the Frank Morrison Award and Crystal Compass award as well as donations are being collected for the Silent Auction.

Mellema shared updates for UMCVB. Theresa Grape will take over the role this month. UMCVB conference will be held in Nebraska in September 2026. More information will be shared in the coming months.

Brochure Swap will take place on May 14 at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds.

The meeting adjourned at 2:23pm.