



**19<sup>th</sup> NCARC 2024  
BUSINESS MEETINGS REPORT**

The NCAR Advocate Committee served as the natural business body to the NCAR Conference. The Committee, with representation from multiple chapters, was well positioned to organize the business meetings for the 19<sup>th</sup> NCARC – scheduling the meetings, drafting the agendas, and recruiting business meeting functions.

**RESOLUTIONS**

The NCAR Advocates requested resolutions to all I.I. NCAR chapters in January 2024 with a deadline of end of May 2024 (six months prior to the conference).

- Although many resolutions were drafted by the Advocates the final resolutions were a result of discussion with chapters at a Zoom meeting on June 15, 2024.
- Advocates were also able to discuss the resolutions with chapters at their Area Meetings
- The Virtual Chapter Resolution was added in July.
- A total of nine resolutions were presented and approved. (I= International)

1	Chapter Ambassador to Liaise with NCAR
2	Elected Directors Form and Membership Data Shared with NCAR
3	Funding NCAR Advocate Committee
I-4	Establishing a Virtual Chapter
5	Sub-Area Conferences
I-6	HQ to Meet with Advocates and Provide Membership Data
I-7	Extending Viewing Period of I.I. HQ New Year Luncheon Video
I-8	I.I. HQ Annual General Meeting to be Streamed and Recorded
9	Election of NCAR Advocate 2.0

**BUSINESS MEETINGS**

As in past regional conferences, two business meetings were scheduled.

**Business Meeting #1**

The first business meeting took place **virtually** two weeks prior to the conference (Saturday, September 28, 2024).

- This allowed chapters whose members were not attending the conference to participate in the discussion and decisions pertaining to the resolutions.
- The presidents of chapters without delegates attending NCARC were allowed to participate as de facto Delegates and able to vote by proxy. (If the president did not attend this virtual meeting, they did not qualify for a proxy vote.)



- The meeting was scheduled at 6 pm EDT to allow participation from five International Board members from Japan.
- We received input from the International Board on the resolutions prior to the business meetings and were shared during the meeting.
- Scheduling the meeting prior to NCARC had the additional benefit of freeing a time slot for extra programming during the conference.
- At Business Meeting #1, 50 chapters participated out of 63 in NCAR.

Total Delegates (out of 42)	40
Official Delegates	33
Alternates Standing for Delegates	7
Chapters Represented	50
Alternates (additional)	9
<i>De facto</i> Delegates (i.e. - Presidents qualifying for Proxy)	11
Regular Members	17
Host Committee	2
Business Meeting Committee	5
I.I. Headquarter Directors	5
<b>TOTAL ATTENDING</b>	<b>89</b>

### Business Meeting #2

The second business meeting took place in Philadelphia on October 16, 2024.

- **42 Delegates** from **38 chapters** were present. **An additional 9 chapters** voted by proxy.
- All nine resolutions were approved; four resolutions require further approval from the International Board.
- The NCAR ADVOCATE TERM REPORT (2019-2024) was presented outlining the achievements as well as the challenges ahead for the region. (See video [here.](#))
- A fifteen minute “Good of the Order” allowed all attendees (not only Delegates) to make comments or ask questions.

### MINUTES

The minutes from both business meetings were approved and circulated to all chapters.

- Minutes of Business Meeting #1 were approved at Business Meeting #2.
- To avoid approval of the minutes in 4-5 years’ time (at the next NCARC) the Minutes of Business Meeting #2 were approved by a Minutes Committee who were authorized by motion at Business Meeting #2.
- Minutes are posted on the [ikebanancar.org](http://ikebanancar.org)



### Chapters at Business Meeting #2 (38)

Ann Arbor #183
Asheville #74
Atlanta #265
Boston #17
Chicago #27
Cleveland #20
Colorado Springs #95
Columbia #182
Columbus #84
Dallas #13
Denver #66
Detroit #85
Fort Worth #38
Harrisburg #18
Honolulu #56
Houston #12
Lansing #134
Madison #28
Memphis Bamboo #44

Mexico City #228
Miami #131
Milwaukee #22
Minneapolis-St. Paul #121
Naples #160
New York #7
Omaha #60
Orlando-Winter Park #132
Ottawa Centennial #120
Philadelphia #71
Pittsburgh #25
Portland #47
Rochester #53
San Diego #119
St. Andrew #156
St. Petersburg #65
Sun Cities #167
Toronto #208
Washington DC #1

### Chapters Voting by Proxy (9)

Baltimore #118
Baton Rouge #42
Dayton #33
Monterey Bay #231
San Francisco #31
Sarah P Duke #264
Seattle #19
Tacoma-Olympia #147
Traverse City #165

### Qualified for Proxy Vote (2)

Sacramento #26
San Antonio #46

### Did not participate (16)

Albuquerque #41
Augusta #81
Bermuda #180
Charlotte #49
Fayetteville #140
Jefferson County #137
Middle Georgia #112
Mobile #164
Montreal #155
New Orleans #97
Panama City #257
Sacramento #26
San Antonio #46
Sarasota #115
St. Louis #3
Wilmington #212