**NBGA Winter 2020 Board of Directors Meeting**

**Hyatt House ~ Washington DC**

**Feb 3-6, 2020**

**Agenda**

**Monday, Feb 3**

Travel Day

8:00pm Executive Committee Meeting at Hyatt House lobby bar

**Tuesday, Feb 4**

7:30 am Breakfast

Location: The Omelet Bar

8:00 am             Introductions / Anti-Trust Statement / Agenda / Minutes

Location: Potomac Room

8:10 am             2019 Crop Report/Acres – Member States

8:30 am             AMBA Update – Scott Heisel

8:50 am DC Policy Update & Outlook – Tom Hance & Dale Thorenson

9:05 am             NBGA 2020 Policy Priorities review and approval

9:45 am Break

10:00 am Jason Hafemeister, Deputy Undersecretary, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service

10:45 am Ryan LeGrand, CEO, U.S. Grains Council

11:15 am Bill Beam, Deputy Administrator, USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA)

Brad Karmen, FSA

Noon                  Lunch

1:00 pm        Ambassador Gregg Doud, Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR)

Sharon Bomer Lauritsen, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Agricultural Affairs and Commodity Policy, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

1:45pm Industry member updates

2:05 pm Beer Institute update – Jim McGreevy, President & CEO

2:15 pm Brewers Association update - Chris Swersey, Supply Chain Specialist

2:30 pm Break

2:45 pm Keith Gray, Chief of Staff, USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA)

3:30 pm Lester Jones, Chief Economist, National Beer Wholesalers Association

4:00 pm             Adjourn

5:30 pm NBGA Board/guest dinner at Bluejacket Brewery

300 Tingey St. SE (202) 524-4862

**Wednesday, Feb 5**

9:00 – 5:00 Hill Visits

5:30-7:30 pm    Barley, Brews and Boots Reception; Cafeteria, Rayburn House Office Building

**Thursday, Feb 6**

7:30 am             Breakfast

8:00 am             Report on Hill Meetings & Reception

8:30 am             Communications Update – Blair Elias

8:45 am Craft Brewers Conference Update & Discussion – Blair Elias

9:00 NBGA Organizational Appointments & votes

Secretary/Treasurer appointment

Budget Committee appointment

Expense reimbursement policy approval

9:20 am             NBGA Financial Report

9:45 am         Break

10:00 am Presidential Election: Ag & Rural Issues

Jerry Hagstrom, Executive Editor, Hagstrom Report and Columnist, National Journal and DTN/Progressive Farmer

10:30 am           June 2020 Meeting St. Louis, MO

                          June 15-18

Monday, June 1: Cut-off date for hotel reservations

Drury Plaza Hotel St. Louis at the Arch

4th & Market St.

St. Louis, MO 631002

(314) 231-3003

February 2021 DC Meeting – Dates?

*USGC:  Feb 1-3, 2021 Savannah GA*

*NAWG:  Feb 2-7, 2021, Grand Hyatt, Washington DC*

**NBGA – Feb 23-25, 2021?????**

*Commodity Classic: Mar 4-6, 2021, San Antonio TX*

10:45 am            Other Business

Adjourn