

***EANGMT Quarterly Board Meeting***  
***19 August 2004, 6:00 p.m.***  
***Izaak's, Craig MT***

**Executive Members Present:**

President – MSG Ruth Mortag	Executive Member Air – CCM Steve Lyczewski
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President – SFC Jim Gustafson	Executive Member Army – SFC Neil Young
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President – SMS Lisa Smith	Executive Member Army – SGM Ronda Scott
Secretary – SSG Patti Hagan	Executive Member Army – SFC Tim Sowa
Executive Member Air – TSG Jeff Mortag	

**Executive Members Not Present:**

Treasurer – MSG Steve Hagan (excused)  
Executive Member Army – SFC Monte Herrin (excused)  
Executive Member Army – SGT Cynthia Marshall (excused)  
Executive Member Army – SFC Nick Conway (excused)  
Retired Member Army – MSG (Ret) Denny Eickert (excused)  
Retired Member Air – MSG (Ret) John Haffner  
Past President – SGM Jim Lantz

**Others Present:**

CMS Roger Hagan      MSG Dorrie Hagan      SFC John Bagley

**OPENING ITEMS**

- Call To Order
- Appointment of Proxy's approved by majority vote: SFC John Bagley to represent for SFC Nick Conway, CMS Roger Hagan to represent for SGT Cynthia Marshall, and MSG Dorrie Hagan to represent for MSG Steve Hagan.
- Minutes of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual State Conference, 24 April 2004 in Missoula: minutes deferred to end of the meeting to give everyone a chance to read them before voting.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Treasurer's Report – MSG Steve Hagan: attached written report accepted as printed.
2. Scholarship Report – MSG Jeff Wheeler: tabled until next meeting.
3. Membership Report – MSG Jim Robertson: tabled until next meeting.
4. Ways & Means – MSG Dorrie Hagan: ribbons still doing great. No more new ideas at this time. Oral report accepted.
5. Legislative Report – CMS Roger Hagan: Eleven resolutions were presented to the State government. More updated report will be presented at the next board meeting. Oral report accepted.
6. By-Laws/Constitution Report – SSG Christy Bringard: the by-laws are not updated yet since the changes were approved at the state conference.
7. 2004 National Conference – CMS Roger Hagan, MSG Dorrie Hagan: Steena Bushnell, Bob Graham, Roger and Dorrie Hagan will be the four delegates for the EANGMT in Louisville, Kentucky. Brig Gen Mosley will attend as the Adjutant General for Montana. Oral report accepted.

8. 2005 State Conference – CMS Roger Hagan: conference is scheduled for 21-23 January 2005, in Helena. Written report giving host site cost comparisons. Attached written report accepted as printed.
9. Publications Report – SSG Patti Hagan: the newsletter report will be changed to read as the publications report. Only one article was received for the newsletter article deadline of 15 August. Not sure what is going on with the website due to TDY. Plans to get together with Ruth to discuss what needs to be done with the website. Oral report accepted.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Website: not much has done by Matt Giskaas but the corporate membership pages look great. Tim Sowa will talk with Matt about whether he still wants to do the updates to the website. Ruth has been doing minor updates and can continue as she gets time to do it. Action tabled until next meeting.
- Corporate Memberships: someone is needed to create a spreadsheet on our corporate memberships for tracking purposes and also to look for more memberships. Dorrie Hagan volunteered to build the spreadsheet. Chief Lucy will consider taking over once he retires.
- Contact Information Sheets: not very many turned in as of yet.
- Representation for Units/Squadrons: the executive members for Army and Air need to give which units/squadrons they are representing then need to list the unit/squadron point of contacts. Ruth Mortag would like Email addresses for the POCs so that information can be sent out to them. Tabled until next meeting. Lists/names are due by 2 September 2004.
- Non-profit Status of the EANGMT: decided previously to not change our non-profit status. Other discussion was brought up to hire an accountant because of the profits being earned from the ribbons.
- Support for Military Organizations: letter will be presented to the new adjutant general. CCM and CSM need to follow up on drafting the letter for both the army and the air. Tabled until next meeting.
- “Purple” Picture: nothing has been done. Lisa Smith has a possible artist and will look into it. Tabled until next meeting.
- 2004 Goals: tabled until next Thursday, 26 August 2004. Send them to the Secretary.
- Membership Idea – I Got Mine: ideas on how to get people to join the EANGMT. Jim Gustafson will talk with Jim Lantz about coming up with some ideas. Dorrie Hagan has been selling memberships at all of her Family Readiness Trainings around the State. Tabled until next meeting.
- Insurance Program: the Association has changed insurance companies from American Equity to ING/Shuey Corporation. This new company has better benefits for lesser money due to eleven states included in the pool. We ran into some resistance at the TAGs level but were finally approved to change. The new insurance is included on jumps. Per Email (attached) from Doug Remick we have about \$3000 so far after just a few short months. The official rollover date is 1 October 2004, from American Equity to ING/Shuey Corp. This insurance program can be briefed just like SGLI is briefed to all troops. Every drilling guard member needs to fill out the old American Equity enrollment form (just the top five lines, making sure to name a beneficiary, and sign the bottom, no date or witness needed) in order to get the \$1000 free life insurance. If a person does not name a beneficiary then the \$1000 is deferred to their estate. There is no war clause, however there is a two-year suicide clause. The variation in funds will remain stable because of the bigger pool. Old company enrollment form and new coverage options sheet are attached. The website will also be updated to include an insurance SSLI page. Oral report accepted.
- USAA Scholarship Funding: discussion regarding the \$500 scholarship money given to us by USAA that is to be split to one Air and one Army applicant (\$250 each) to be increased by the Association to \$1000 (\$500 each). Deferred to New Business to be voted on.

- Membership Folders: discussion to make 30 more membership folders to be given to the unit representatives/point of contacts of the unit/squadrons. Motion accepted. Updated membership listings will be sent via Email to the board to replace the old ones in the folders once Jim Robertson returns from being TDY. The Secretary still does not have a correct list of names of everyone who already received a membership folder. Members also need to print off a new membership application form from the website as the receipt portion has been added to the bottom which replaces having the membership card.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- I-149: should the EANGMT get involved and campaign against this initiative? An Email and a press statement are attached. We did not meet the deadline to get in on the lawsuit. The officers association opted not to put their name on the lawsuit. We did originally agree to pay \$100 in order to look into whether a lawsuit was feasible. The lawsuit will be heard on 26 August 2004 in district court. The VFW and the American Legion are formally involved with the lawsuit. The board accepted a motion for the Association to take whatever action necessary to protect the funding for Veteran's nursing homes.
- 120<sup>th</sup> Deployment Reimbursement: Ruth Mortag request for reimbursement of \$141.48 for water and soda bought for the airman leaving on 25 June to the desert. Motion to reimburse her was accepted with the stipulation that Chief Lucy will file a report regarding the discrepancy of the contracted company not providing adequate drinks for the flight.
- Discussion on Craig W. Duehring's speech: discussed Mr. Duehring's comments and the result of it. Email from Ruth Mortag is attached to minutes.
- National Conference Expenditures: the stipend for delegates to attend the national conference has been \$1000 in the past. Motion to double the stipend to \$2000 was made. The stipend is split between all the delegates. Discussion on making it mandatory that delegates for national also have to attend the state conference. The original motion is withdrawn. New motion was accepted to make the stipend to \$2000 to be split between the delegates attending the national conference. The eligibility on delegates is tabled until the next meeting. With BG Mosley attending the national conference, it is suggested to give a fruit basket as a thank you for attending. The motion was passed with a \$50 limit.
- Magnet Money: discussion on buying a tape recorder in order to start taping all meetings again and to help out the Secretary keep better minutes with the money the Association is making from the ribbon selling. Proposed tape recorder is attached to minutes. Motion accepted to order the tape recorder. Discussion was brought up to not update the Past President's computer since it is so old and instead replace it with a laptop for the publication chairman to aid in creating the quarterly newsletters and the website. The laptop on hand receipt from the 120<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron has PageMaker 7.0 and Adobe Acrobat 6.0 Professional but is older and slow. Also has no capability to the Internet except when hooked up to the LAN on base. Motion to authorize Tim Sowa and Patti Hagan to purchase a laptop, not to exceed \$2500 was accepted. One price quote is attached to the minutes.
- Time/Place for Next Quarterly Meeting: not sure if 10 November 2004 will work. Secretary will send out an Email with proposed dates and times. The one with the most votes will win.

## **ADJOURN**