

*32nd Annual EANGMT State Conference
24 April 2004, Missoula MT
0900 General Business Session Minutes*

Executive Members Present:

President – MSG Ruth Mortag
1st Vice President – MSG (Ret) Denny Eickert
2nd Vice President – SFC Jim Gustafson
Secretary – SSG Patti Hagan
Treasurer – TSG Steve Hagan
Executive Member Air – TSG Jeff Mortag

Executive Member Air – MSG Lisa Smith
Executive Member Army – SFC Neil Young
Executive Member Army – SFC John Bagley
Executive Member Army – SFC Monte Herrin
Retired Member Air – MSG (Ret) John Haffner
Past President – SGM Jim Lantz

Executive Members Not Present:

Executive Member Army – SGM Larry Westfall
Executive Member Army – SGM Ronda Scott

Retired Member Army – SFC (Ret) Don Bogut

OPENING ITEMS

- Call To Order
- Appointment of Sergeant at Arms:
Army – SFC Tim Sowa Air – MSG John Haffner
- Opening Remarks made by Major General John E. Prendergast that included a four minute video and a question and answering session.
- Minutes of Last Quarterly Meeting: minutes were accepted as amended. CCM Paul Heppner was present at the last quarterly meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Executive Board Member Reports: accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
2. Scholarship Report – MSG Jeff Wheeler: accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
3. Financial Report – TSG Steve Hagan: report attached and amended in the booklet as the last line was left out when printed.
4. Audit Report – MSG Dave Lewis: report attached and printed in the booklet.
5. Membership Report – MSG Jim Robertson: accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
6. Legislative Report – CMS Roger Hagan: accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
7. Constitution & By-Laws Report – SSG Christy Bringard: accepted as printed in the booklet.
8. Insurance Report – Doug Remick (LTC Retired): report attached. Check in the amount \$2,111.75 was presented to the EANGMT.
9. 2003 National Conference Report – CCM Paul Heppner & MSG Dorrie Hagan: Toledo, Ohio, 17-20 August. Accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
10. 2004 National Conference Report – CMS Roger Hagan: discussed that the association will have four delegates for this year's national conference in Louisville, Kentucky. Montana will

- be hosting the Area VI hospitality room. Any first time attendee, E-5 or below, will get a room paid for by CMS Roger Hagan and MSG Dorrie Hagan.
11. Resolutions Report – CMS Roger Hagan: accepted as printed in the conference booklet.
 12. Publications Report – SSG Patti Hagan: accepted as printed in the conference booklet. Also discussed adding more pages to the website to include Heritage, News From The Frontline, Corporate Sponsors, Scholarship, Donations, Insurance Program Information, Testimonials, and We Care For America Information.
 13. Nomination Report – CMS Roger Hagan: oral report and will follow up in New Business.

The 2004 President's Award was presented to SSG Patti Hagan.

OLD BUSINESS

- The association still owes \$108.00 to MSG John Haffner and the Past President's.
- The association still owes \$28.00 to SGM Jim Lantz plus money for bulletin board totaling \$50.00 to be paid.
- EANGMT Corporate Membership Instructions: There was a discussion to change the Corporate Membership prices to read: Minuteman (\$50-\$99), Falcon (\$100-\$249), and Patriot (\$250-\$499) with Eagle staying at (\$500 or higher). The list of the corporate members as of now is attached. It was moved and 2nd to accept the corporate membership instructions as amended. The motion was accepted.
- Website: There was discussion on hiring SRA Matt Giskaas of the 120th Communications Squadron to do the website maintenance at \$15.00 per hour instead of paying Diversified Computers \$40.00 per hour. Deferred to new business to be voted on.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2004 Budget was proposed by TSG Steve Hagan as written in the conference booklet. It was moved, 2nd and accepted.
- Membership cards were discussed and questioned as to why we need them versus having people fill out the membership form off of the website. Suggested that a receipt be put at the bottom of the web form for the person instead of having the membership cards. Put a statement on that receipt that they will receive their national card in the mail. Also discussed putting the names of members and expiration dates on the website. It was decided that because of possible legalities, this should not be pursued. Suggestion was then made to have MSG Jim Robertson send updated membership database monthly to the executive board members. It was moved and 2nd to dispense with membership cards and incorporate a receipt on the bottom of the membership form for the members. The motion was accepted.
- Ideas for appreciation gifts for hotels was discussed. One idea was to have a picture painted. Another idea was to present a flag that was flown over Iraq or wherever our units may be deployed.

Break for Luncheon ~ presentations made by the Army Guard and the Air Guard for the past year.

- 2004 Goals was brought up for discussion for ideas. It was agreed upon that the executive board will come up with some goals.

- “I Got Mine” was presented and discussed. A point paper will be written by SFC Jim Gustafson to be presented at the next quarterly board meeting.
- USAA Scholarship Funding ~ it was proposed that the association bump the USAA scholarship from \$500 to \$1000 when the treasury is healthy. This discussion was tabled.
- Conference Dates ~ it was discussed, moved, 2nd and accepted to change the timing of the conference from April to March.
- Insurance program ~ there was a question proposed to Doug Remick if the insurance company will write insurance policies for deploying troops. According to him the company will.
- It was moved, 2nd and accepted to hire SRA Matt Giskaas at \$15.00 per hour to do the maintenance for the website.
- Suggestion was made have an EANGMT representative at each SRP.
- Question was brought up if members could still purchase bronzes. According to Chief Roger Hagan our association has the only casting mold left from Bob Scriver’s collection. Therefore, we still can cast bronzes but the prices will be going up once a price is settled on with the Scriver Estate.
- By-Law Resolutions as stated in the conference booklet were moved, 2nd and all accepted.
- Resolutions as stated in the conference booklet were all individually voted on and accepted. Chief Roger Hagan did propose one more resolution that would help get adequate funding for veterans homes. It was moved, 2nd and accepted.
- Insurance bonds drawing was held. Bonds went to Larry Siebel who gave it to the association and to Tom Mooney.
- Ways & Means ~ it was suggested by MSG Dorrie Hagan to sell car magnet ribbons saying “Support Our Troops” in yellow or red, white & blue at the price of \$5.00 each. It was moved, 2nd and accepted.
- Elections:
 - President ~ MSG Ruth Mortag (Air), 1 year term
 - 1st Vice President ~ Jim Gustafson (Army), 1 year term
 - 2nd Vice President ~ MSG Lisa Smith (Air), 1 year term
 - Executive Member Army ~ SFC Tim Sowa, 2 year term
 - Executive Member Army ~ SFC Nick Conway, 2 year term
 - Executive Member Army ~ SGT Cynthia Marshall, 2 year term
 - Executive Member Air ~ CCM Steve Lyczewski, 2 year term
- Time & Place 2006 was discussed for Whitefish or Lewistown. This was deferred to the board in order to get some prices.

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