



Minutes of the 10 July 2014 MAGHA Board of Directors Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association met as scheduled on Thursday, 10 July 2014, at the Selfridge Military Air Museum. A quorum being present, Lou Nigro called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Members present were: Mr. Gompers, Mr. Handleman, Col Krajnik, Mr. Krings, Col Mammen, Lt Col Nigro, Brig Gen Rudolph, & CMSgt Viterna

Members represented were: Lt Col Leon by Ms. Lupo

Members excused were: Maj Hogan, Maj Gen Pochmara, Lt Col Veara. & Judge Yokich

Guests present were: None

AGENDA

Lt Col Nigro requested that Board Member Maj John Hogan's request for a six-month leave of absence be added as an item of New Business. A motion was made by Brig Gen Rudolph and seconded by Mr. Gompers to approve the agenda for this meeting as modified. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

REVIEW OF 8 MAY 2014 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by CMSgt Viterna and seconded by Col Krajnik to approve the minutes of the 8 May 2014 meeting as published. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

REPORTS

MAGHA/Air Museum Financial Report (Nigro): LTC Nigro presented and explained the current financial reports for MAGHA and the Air Museum, current as of 7 May 2014. Although checkbook plus CD assets available are \$72,303.26, current known liabilities are \$1,833.31 giving us an encumbered checkbook & CD fund balance of \$70,469.95. Our checking account balance is \$16,389.12 which LTC Nigro feels is adequate for the near term. A motion was made by Brig Gen Rudolph and seconded by Mr. Gompers to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

MAGHA Membership (Nigro): LTC Nigro briefed the Board that MAGHA membership as of 9 July 2014 is 629 which is no increase or decrease from the 629 figure reported on 8 May 2014. **Taskings:** (1) solicitation letter review: Brig Gen Rudolph/Maj Hogan, and (2) solicitation letter mailing: Lt Col Nigro, assuming Privacy Act considerations allow him access to the personally identifiable information (PII) required to complete this mailing. A list of former members of the MI ANG has been received from Lansing and work is underway merging this list with the existing list and eliminating duplicates/updating information. MAGHA solicitation letters will then be sent to those targeted on that list, primarily senior NCOs and officers. A motion was made by Mr. Handleman and seconded by Col Mammen to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Membership Roster: January Only (Nigro): **NO REPORT**

Lapsed Membership: January and July Only (Nigro): Lt Col Nigro presented the lapsed membership report to the Board members present. A motion was made by Ms. Lupo and seconded by Col Krajnik to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Adopt-A-Plane Program: January and July Only (Nigro): Lt Col Nigro presented the list of Adopt-A-Plane sponsors to the Board members present. A motion was made by CMSgt Viterna and seconded by Mr. Gompers to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Active Museum/Air Park Improvement Projects: January and July Only (Nigro): Lt Col Nigro presented the list of active Museum and Air Park improvement projects to the Board members present. A motion was made by Mr. Krings and seconded by Brig Gen Rudolph to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Utilities Briefing: March Only (Nigro): **NO REPORT**

OLD BUSINESS

T-6 “Texan” Acquisition (Krings): The aircraft and missing parts that did not accompany the aircraft have been received and the final payment of \$15,000.00 was made on 11 March 2014. The T-6 is being assembled and when complete, the aircraft will be repainted in Michigan ANG markings and landing gear pads/tie downs installed at which point the aircraft will be towed into the Air Park for permanent display. A “viewing platform” will be locally fabricated to allow guests to view the cockpit. **OPEN** (Krings)

Membership Increases (Pochmara): Maj Gen Pochmara requested that a committee of Board members be formed to explore methods of expanding and sustaining MAGHA membership. After considerable discussion, Col Kowalski volunteered to chair that committee with Mr. Handleman, Col Miller, Lt Col Nigro, Maj Gen Pochmara, and Brig Gen Rudolph as committee members. Lt Nigro was tasked to (1) contact Col Crawford to determine if there has been any progress on his initiative to obtain select information on former members of the MI ANG and (2) obtain a by-name list of MI ANG retirees if possible. Further, Col Krajnik volunteered to query NGAM on the availability of a database they are developing indicating the information shown in (2) above. **OPEN** (POC to be identified)

New Display (Krings): Mr. Krings continues to be authorized to explore new displays using information from our “wish list” at the NMUSAF and databases of aircraft assigned to Selfridge ANG Base and the Michigan ANG, including a Boeing 707 cockpit to be restored in, as much as possible, a KC-135 cockpit. Col Krajnik requested that the “wish list” at the NMUSAF and databases of aircraft assigned to Selfridge ANG Base and the Michigan ANG be included as a recurring report to be presented once per year at the September Board of Directors meeting. **OPEN** (Krings)

Board of Directors Review (Nigro): At the last Board meeting, Lt Col Nigro provided the Board members with the current list of our Board of Directors. Discussion ensued on the removal of select members and the selection of proposed new members IAW Article III, Sections 2 and 3 of our By-Laws:

Section 2: Board membership will be attained by soliciting volunteers who will be nominated to the Board of Directors for approval at the next scheduled Board meeting.

Section 3: A member of the MAGHA Board of Directors will serve for an indefinite period of time or until they resign, are removed for cause, or must leave for military reasons. To maintain membership, an active member of the Board of Directors (or their designated representative) must attend, be represented, or be excused from no less than 50% of the scheduled meetings each year. The Secretary will maintain attendance records and, at one-year intervals in May of each calendar year, notify the Board of an individual’s non-compliance with this requirement. If the attendance requirement is not met, the Executive Director will contact the Board member to determine his or her willingness and ability to meet the attendance requirement. If the Board member does not respond to the inquiry or indicates an inability or unwillingness to remain on the Board, the position may be declared vacant and can be filled as noted in Article III, Section 2.

Lt Col Nigro briefed the Board members present on those members who have and have not met the attendance requirements. After discussion, a motion was made by Col Krajnik and seconded by Col Teff to (1) authorize Lt Col Nigro to contact the Board member(s) who have not met the attendance requirement to determine their willingness and ability to meet the attendance requirement, (2) for all Board members to approach proposed new members on their willingness to serve and to submit the name(s) to Lt Col Nigro to be formally nominated at the July 2014 scheduled Board meeting, and (3) to eliminate/replace those members as identified by the Board. A list of proposed additions and deletions was presented to the Board members present. A motion was made by Brig Gen Rudolph and seconded by Col Mammen to accept the recommendations presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

NEW BUSINESS

Information Requests from Non-MAGHA Members (Nigro): Information forwarded to MAGHA members frequently gets retransmitted by the member to his/her personal address book, prompting individuals to request the same information be forwarded to them, even though they are not MAGHA members. After discussion, a motion was made by Col Mammen and seconded by Mr. Handleman for Lt Col Nigro to notify the non-member requestor that the information sent to a MAGHA member cannot be provided to them unless and until they become a member. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

Board Member Request for a Leave of Absence (Nigro): Board Member Maj John Hogan has requested a six-month leave of absence from attending regular Board meetings with his intent to stay on the Board of Directors and resume attendance at regular Board meetings in 2015. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Ms. Lupo to approve Maj Hogan's request. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by CMSgt Viterna and seconded by Brig Gen Rudolph to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 pm. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted
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Lt Col Louis J. Nigro
Executive Director

FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, 11 September 2014, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 13 November 2014, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room