



Minutes of the 13 November 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, 13 November 2014, at the Selfridge Military Air Museum. A quorum being present, Maj Gen Pochmara called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Members present were: Ms. Errington, Mr. Gompers, Mr. Handleman, TSgt Heaton, Col Krajnik, Mr. Krings, Lt Col Nigro, Maj Gen Pochmara, Brig Gen Rudolph, CMSgt Viterna

Members represented were: Lt Col Leon by Ms. Lupp

Members excused were: Maj Hogan, Col Mammen, Brig Gen Ness, Lt Col Veara, and Judge Yokich

Guests present were: None

AGENDA

A motion was made by Brig Gen Rudolph and seconded by Mr. Handleman to approve the agenda for this meeting published. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

REVIEW OF 11 SEPTEMBER 2014 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Col Krajnik to approve the minutes of the 11 September 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 12 November 2014. Although checkbook plus CD assets available are \$80,374.97, current known liabilities are \$1,649.41 giving us an encumbered checkbook & CD fund balance of \$78,725.56. Our checking account balance is \$24,274.07 which LTC Nigro feels is adequate for the near term. A motion was made by Col Krajnik and seconded by Ms. Lupp 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 12 November 2014 is 633 which is an increase of 4 from the 629 figure reported on 11 September 2014. 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 Brig Gen Rudolph and seconded by TSgt Heaton to receive and accept the report as presented and for Lt Col Nigro to forward a copy of a revised membership solicitation letter to all Board members for recommended additions/deletions/changes and subsequent mailing to the targeted individuals in January 2015. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

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

Lapsed Membership: January and July Only (Nigro): **NO REPORT**

Adopt-A-Plane Program: January and July Only (Nigro): **NO REPORT**

Active Museum/Air Park Improvement Projects: January and July Only (Nigro): **NO REPORT**

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

Display “Wish List” Report: September 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. Assembly of the T-6 is almost complete, it has been repainted in Michigan ANG markings and landing gear pads have been poured. Once the aircraft is complete and tie downs installed, 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 (Miller): Maj Gen Pochmara requested that a committee of Board members be formed to explore methods of expanding and sustaining MAGHA membership. Col Miller volunteered to chair that committee with Mr. Handleman, Lt Col Nigro, Maj Gen Pochmara, and Brig Gen Rudolph as committee members. The committee will meet on 18 Dec 14 at 2:00 pm in the Museum Multi-Purpose Room to discuss ideas. Maj Gen Pochmara asked that each committee member come prepared with two ideas to expand/sustain membership. **OPEN** (Miller)

New Displays (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. Further, Mr. Krings and Lt Col Nigro will meet to review and prioritize deficiencies on existing Air Park assets and to establish a near-term list (including tentative costs) of new displays. There was discussion on a P-80 cockpit offered by the Kalamazoo Air Zoo. Information on possible radiation hazards in the display, a place inside the Museum to display it, and transportation costs need to be obtained before we can accept the offer. **OPEN** (Krings)

NEW BUSINESS

Links on our Website to Other Websites (Nigro) The Millville Army Airfield in NJ has requested permission to link their website to ours. Our web page already has a section for links. After discussion, Mr. Handleman made a motion that was seconded by Col Krajnik to allow this, and other links for similar organizations, to be established on our website provided the linked organization establishes a link to our Museum on their website. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

Director & Officers/Employment Practices Liability Insurance (Nigro/Gompers): Lt Col Nigro noted that our premium for Director & Officers/Employment Practices Liability Insurance has increased from \$1,363.00 per year to \$1,472.00 per year for \$1,000,000.00 of insurance. After discussion, Col Krajnik made a motion that was seconded by Ms. Lupp to continue existing Director & Officers/Employment Practices Liability Insurance coverage. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

FG-1D “Corsair” Restoration (Krings): Museum volunteer Gerry Bryce has established a dialogue with the USMC Museum in Quantico VA and the formal Restoration Plan has been submitted for their approval. Preliminary approval has been obtained but more details on the restoration, including progress photos, will be required. Lt Col Nigro will contact the USMC Museum to establish a direct link between them and Mr. Bryce to insure they get what they need from us. Further, he will contact a commercial door company to get a quote for a full-width door for Bldg 1045 so that aircraft under restoration do not have to be disassembled to get the display under cover. Mr. Krings noted that although there is gas lines to the building, estimates need to be obtained to provide heat into at least that portion of the building that will be used for restoration. **OPEN** (Krings)

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Col Krajnik to adjourn the meeting at 2:43 pm. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted

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Louis J. Nigro, Lt Col, MI ANG (Ret)

Executive Director

FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, 8 January 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 12 March 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 14 May 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 9 July 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 10 September 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 12 November 2015, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room