

MVPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 25, 2014 * Kentucky Expo Center * Louisville, KY

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President, Kevin Lockwood called the meeting of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association's Board of Directors to order at 5:40 p.m. Friday 25 June 2014. There was a quorum present.

I. Meeting Called to Order

A. Roll Call ~ Present

David Cadorette (NH)	Steve Preston (OR)
Dan Dolan (NM)	Bill Scott (IN)
David Doyle (TN)	David Welch (NJ)
Kevin Emdee (KY)	Tom Wolboldt (OH)
Steve Greenberg (OR)	Tracey Metcalf (MO – HQ Staff)
Reg Hodgson (AB, Can)	Susan Young (MO – HQ Staff)
Kevin Lockwood (KS)	

IV. C. Member Survey Results to Executive Session

VII. C. Added "Policy 4 Update"

A MOTION by David Cadorette to accept the amended agenda, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- I. Secretary's Report – March 2014 Board Meeting Minutes, with typographical errors corrected.

A MOTION by Bill Scott to accept the minutes of the June 2014 meeting as amended, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

II. Treasurer's Report

- a. The current Budget vs Actual was reviewed and discussed by the board.
- b. Tracey Metcalf was asked to discuss the separation of 2 and 3 year funds from the current budget.
 1. The MVPA is currently set up on a cash accounting system, and the finances would have to be on an accrual basis to make the change.
- c. The Board had asked Tracey to check into the possibility of having a separate credit card processor rather than PayPal.
 1. Tracey reported that it would create a second charge for anything processed with a PayPal payment.
 2. The other company and PayPal would both charge us a percentage on the transaction.

III. Headquarters Report

- a. The membership as of 31 May 2014 is 6083, 832 less than the same date in 2013.
- b. HQ updated the Board on the progress of renewal calls made by Steve Greenberg, Kevin Lockwood and Lee Holland; the results are as follows:
 1. Steve Greenberg made/sent 391 calls/e-mails to 22 states with 88 members rejoining (22%)
 2. Lee Holland made 423 calls to 26 states for a total of 101 rejoins (24%)
 3. Kevin Lockwood make 15 calls in 1 state with 4 rejoins (27%)

IV. Publication Report

- a. *Army Motors*

1. Reg Hodgson reported that he is still receiving good material, and is predicting a very large #149, which mails with the Aug/Sep *Supply Line*.
 - b. *Supply Line*
 1. David Doyle reported that the MVPA computer he uses for *Supply Line* crashed, and is being completely replaced at no charge.
 2. He acquired the newest version of Adobe, and should be back to full operation within a week of the convention's end.
- V. New Business
- a. Steve Preston, Convention Chairman, reported that firearms will be allowed into the Louisville convention after a safety inspection by the police due to gun show traffic.
 - b. It was decided that further discussion of **Policy #11 – Firearms and Explosives** be moved to the November 2014 meeting agenda.
- VI. Unfinished Business
- a. David Welch reported that he is still working on getting the online membership in order for launch, and feels there are endless possibility with an online membership format.
 1. The publications will also be linked to Google analytics to link various words to specific websites.
 2. Publication Printers can load the publications with hyperlinks to the articles, events and advertisements.
 3. There will be advertising opportunities, including video ads and banner ads on the site.
 4. David gave the Board a link to the publications for further review.
 5. David is to have the cost to launch at the November 2014 Board meeting.
 - b. Update of Policy #4
 1. It was determined that the third paragraph under “Finances” was to be dropped from Policy #4
 2. It was determined that the fifth paragraph under “Legalese” was to be dropped from Policy #4

A MOTION BY David Welch to accept the revised Policy #4 – Affiliate Groups as revised, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Military Vehicle Preservation Association POLICY 4: Affiliate Groups

(Amended June 2014)

The Board may vote to affiliate with any group, which seeks to affiliate with the MVPA.

Recognition:

A letter requesting recognition as an affiliate must be submitted to the Affiliate Liaison via MVPA Headquarters and include a completed affiliation form, which may be obtained from Headquarters or through the MVPA website.

Recognition of an Affiliate group shall be for a period of one year, unless sooner revoked by the MVPA Board of Directors. Recognition shall continue on an annual basis, unless revoked by the MVPA Board of Directors and/or due to non-compliance of the Affiliate. Headquarters will send an annual update form to all Affiliate group presidents to be completed with updated information, signed, and submitted to the MVPA Headquarters within 60 days. Failure to submit updated information may be cause for revocation of Affiliate status.

Recognition of any Affiliate group may cease if the Affiliate group fails to answer any written communication sent by Certified Mail within 90 days, unless sooner as required by said communication.

Potential affiliates of the MVPA should have a distinctive group name, which shall not include or imply a “chapter” status with the MVPA, have governing bylaws in place, and a formal membership list. A copy of all shall be sent to the MVPA Affiliate Liaison via the MVPA Headquarters.

(Existing Affiliate names, recognized prior to January 1, 2014, which include the word “chapter “, are grandfathered with the understanding that the Affiliate is not a “chapter” of the MVPA.)

An Affiliate logo is not required, but if one exists upon requesting recognition, or is added later, it will require approval from the MVPA as part of the Affiliate recognition process, or to maintain status as an Affiliate.

Officers and Membership Status:

Ten MVPA members in good standing are required for Affiliate recognition, and to maintain Affiliate status. Nomination, election, and installment of at least the following officers is required: President or Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, or Secretary/Treasurer, and the appointment of a Newsletter Editor or Webmaster. Other terms for these positions may be used as found within the group's bylaws. A minimum of three officer/editor positions is required.

All Affiliate group officers and newsletter editor or webmaster shall be required to be members of the MVPA. Failure to do so may be cause for revocation of Affiliate status. This requirement extends to any sub-groups of Affiliates that have their own elected officers. All Affiliate members should be strongly encouraged to join the MVPA.

Affiliate officers shall not have been convicted of any felony, nor shall they engage in illegal activity or activities that may adversely reflect, effect, or damage the good name of the MVPA or the positive perception of the historic military vehicle hobby.

Newsletter:

Affiliation shall not be continued with any organization that does not publish a member communication—print or electronic—at least quarterly (unless waived by the Board of Directors). A copy of each “newsletter” shall be sent to the MVPA Headquarters in a timely manner. Affiliate communications sent to the MVPA may be by either print or electronic form.

The Affiliate newsletter editor and/or webmaster shall be considered the person(s) responsible and accountable for all content in the Affiliate newsletter, website, and/or electronic communications. It shall be the responsibility of the newsletter editor and/or webmaster to verify the accuracy of any and all material relating to the MVPA, its officers, Board of Directors, and policies. Failure to do so may result in the suspension or revocation of Affiliate status as deemed appropriate by the MVPA Board of Directors.

Finances:

No Affiliate group shall create any financial liability, nor shall it enter into any contracts affecting the MVPA, or its interests, without the express written consent of the Board of Directors. Said consent will

then be granted only on a case-by-case basis. Affiliate groups shall not hold, nor shall they cause, the MVPA to be held financially or otherwise liable in any way for their actions or lack of it.

Affiliate groups shall maintain an accurate set of books-of-account delineating cash flow and be accountable to its members. Such Affiliate groups shall make available to its members, and the MVPA, a financial statement upon request. Such a MVPA request may only be made when there is a planned or current interaction between the MVPA and the Affiliate, such as, but not limited to, a co-sponsored activities.

Legalese:

The MVPA may enter into contracts with Affiliate groups for the purpose of conducting conventions or other activities.

Unsafe acts, acts that may cause liability, or acts of a political nature by the Affiliate group that may cast the MVPA, or the historic military vehicle hobby, in an unfavorable manor may be grounds for revocation of the Affiliate status or recognition of any special events. The MVPA Board of Directors shall be the sole judge of such unfavorable conduct.

The MVPA Board of Directors shall retain the right to revoke affiliation with any group which has ties of affiliation with any organization that creates conditions not in the best interest of the MVPA. The Board of Directors shall be the judge of the best interest of the MVPA.

Any and all Affiliate activities which use the MVPA logo, name, description, or variation thereof, shall advise the Affiliate Liaison within a reasonable time period in advance of such activity. MVPA permission granting such use is not automatic and notice of use shall be given for each activity. **(See Policy # 18 – MVPA Trademark and Logo Usage.)**

Benefits:

Advertising: An Affiliate group in good standing will receive a 50% discount on *Supply Line* display advertising of events they host pertaining to military vehicles. Limit one ad per issue. Payment must accompany the camera-ready copy, which must comply with all Supply Line advertising guidelines in effect at the time of ad publication.

Insurance Program: An Affiliate group in good standing may participate in the MVPA's Affiliate Group event insurance program. A modest annual fee allows for Affiliate inclusion in the program which provides general liability coverage for static Affiliate events. Contact MVPA Headquarters for further information.

Membership List: An Affiliate group in good standing may request a list of MVPA members for purposes of membership recruiting and event promotion.

Group Listing: An Affiliate group in good standing will be listed in the "Affiliate Section" of each *Supply Line*, to include the group's meeting schedule, and President and Newsletter Editor/Webmaster contact information.

Convention Table: An Affiliate group in good standing may be provided a promotional table at each MVPA convention, at no charge, to share the group's activities and recruit new members. Sales are not permitted, except for novelty items that contain the group's logo. The MVPA will be provided, upon request, a promotional table/space, at no charge, at any Affiliate activity to share MVPA news, recruit new members, or sell MVPA Supply Room items.

Event Listing: An Affiliate group in good standing may have their military vehicle events listed in the "Upcoming Events" section of *Supply Line*.

Recruiting Brochures: An Affiliate group in good standing may request MVPA recruiting brochures, at no charge, on which the group may stamp its information and distribute for recruiting purposes.

Recruiting Program: An Affiliate group may receive MVPA “Bucks” for recruiting individuals to the MVPA in the name of the Affiliate. MVPA “Bucks” may be used toward any cost incurred by the Affiliate that is due the MVPA, or purchases made through the MVPA. The exchange rate is one “Buck” to one dollar.

Representation: An Affiliate group in good standing may attend the Affiliate Representative advisory meeting at each convention. This is an opportunity to help set the future direction of the MVPA, by sharing ideas and questions with MVPA Board members. The MVPA Affiliate Liaison, or any Director, may be contacted at any time with questions, suggestions, or concerns.

- c. Revision of Policy #20 draft
 1. David Cadorette reported to the Board that the sixth bullet on the original draft has been added.
 2. Verbiage concerning Charter members was also added to the final paragraph

Military Vehicle Preservation Association Policy 20: Heritage Member Number (Draft)

This Policy is intended to provide the process for the re-assignment of a member’s MVPA number to another person and establish it as a Heritage Member Number.

A member who wishes to transfer their MVPA number to another individual shall be a MVPA member in good standing and submit in writing to the Board’s Member Liaison, via the MVPA headquarters, their request to have their MVPA member number re-assigned to another individual. The hard-copy written request shall include the following:

- The member’s current name, address, telephone number, email address (if applicable), and MVPA number
- A clear statement of their wish to relinquish their member number and have it re-assigned to another person
- The name, address, telephone number, and email address (if applicable) of the person to whom they wish to transfer the number
- The timeframe when they wish the transition to take place (e.g. immediately, on a specific date, end of life, etc.)
- The member’s signature and date
- If the request is made following a member’s death, the request to transfer the number may only be from an immediate family member, and must be submitted to and received by the MVPA within one year of the member’s death.

Upon receipt, the MVPA headquarters will forward the request to the Board’s Member Liaison for review. The Member Liaison may approve the request, or may contact the submitting member for discussion or to request further information. If the Member Liaison approves the request, there will be a 60-day waiting period before the number is transitioned to insure the transfer is not contested. The MVPA headquarters will confirm the transfer to the submitting member (if applicable) and receiving member when the transfer takes place.

If the Member Liaison denies the request for cause, or the transfer is contested, he/she shall submit the matter to the Executive Committee and/or full Board for a secondary review. The decision of that secondary review is final.

Upon transfer of the number to the named individual, the letter "H" shall be placed at the end of the member number to signify it as a MVPA Heritage Member Number. If that person is a current MVPA member, their existing member number will be retired when replaced by the Heritage Member Number. They may, at a future time, transfer the number to another individual following the process described here. They must continue to maintain their membership according to the rules and policies that apply to all members. If they fail to do so, or discontinue their membership, the Heritage Member Number will be retired.

Life members may transfer their number, wherein the "L" will be replaced by an "H." The individual receiving the number does not receive the life membership benefits assigned to the previous member. Similarly, Charter members may transfer their number, wherein the "C" will be replaced by an "H." The individual receiving the number does not receive any additional member benefits that may have been assigned to the previous Charter member.

A MOTION BY David Welch to accept Policy #20 – Heritage Member Number as revised, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- VII. Standing Committees
 1. Convention Committee – Steve Preston
 - a. Bill Scott reported that the Louisville, KY convention set-up was well under way and no serious problems were encountered during vendor/vehicle move-in.
 - b. Bill doesn't feel there will be any problems, and that the KILROY group is looking forward to the event getting into full swing.
 2. John Pojunos addressed the Board concerning the 2015 Topeka, KS convention hosted by the Rolling Thunder group.
 - a. John distributed a flyer their group has printed at no cost showing the 2015 Logo of a wagon train being pulled by two M274 "Mules".
 - b. Rolling Thunder's goal is to have the least expensive convention in the 40 years the MVPA has hosted the event.
 - c. There are several tours, meals and activities planned, and John encouraged everyone to bring the family to the Kansas Expo Center June 25 – 27, 2015.
 3. The 2016 convention will be hosted by the MVC of California at Pleasanton, CA
 - a. The hotel and fairgrounds contracts have been signed, and deposits made.
 - b. Steve reported the group is very excited about having the convention, and he will make updates as more information is acquired.
 4. Steve Preston continues to seek a venue on the East coast for a future convention.
 5. Affiliate Group Liaison
 - a. The following groups applied for MVPA Affiliation
 1. Southern Nevada Military Vehicle Association
 2. Fort Riley (KS) Military Vehicle Club – Rough Riders
 3. Monroe Marauders, Inc. (FL)

A MOTION BY David Welch to accept Southern Nevada Military Vehicle Association, Ft. Riley MVC, and the Monroe Marauders, Inc. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

6. MVPA Historical Archives Update

- a. Tom Wolboldt reported that he had worked at HQ organizing and sorting duplicate manuals from the large donation brought back after the 2013 convention in Portland.
- b. The duplicate manuals are set to be auctioned at the Thursday night BBQ, with all proceeds going to the Archives account.

VIII. Future Board Meetings

IT WAS DECIDED the fall meeting of the Board of Directors would be in Kansas City, MO November 14 & 15, 2014.

The Board went into Executive Session with Tom Wolboldt recording the minutes