

MVPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 26 & 27, 2010 \* Holiday Inn Sports Complex \*Independence, MO

Updates were presented to the Board of Directors by Todd Harris and Kim Nguyen, from Blue Ridge Bank, and Jim Shull, CPA, on the MVPA's financial review.

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

President, David Welch at 6:16 p.m. on Friday, March 26, 2010, called the REGULAR meeting of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association's Board of Directors to order. There was a quorum present and Administrative Assistant Tracey Metcalf recorded the minutes.

**Present:**

David Cadorette – Amherst, NH	John Pojunos – Olathe, KS
Toby Chandler – Austin, TX	Steve Preston – Oregon City, OR
John Cheney II – North Baltimore, OH	David Welch – Gillette, NJ
Kevin Emdee – Radcliff, KY	Randy Withrow – Huntsville, AL
David Doyle – Memphis, TN	Tom Wolboldt – Fleming, OH
MVPA-HQ Staff: Kay Willard, Tracey Metcalf and Susan Young, Independence, MO	

**Not Present:**

Reg Hodgson – St. Albert, AB, Canada  
Kevin Kronlund - Spooner, WI

**Guests present:**

Terry Shelswell, Jeff Rowsam, Wendy Rowsam

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and swearing in of new Directors: Toby Chandler, Kevin Emdee and Randy Withrow. Kevin Kronlund will be sworn in via telephone by Tom Wolboldt in accordance with MVPA Policy #13.

**IT WAS DECIDED** to add IV.F. *Directory Update*, and X.J. *Reaffirmation of Appointed Directors* to the agenda.

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to accept the standing rules. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

**II. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to note only the motions and decision made during Executive Session, **ADOPTED.**

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to strike X.A. 1, 2, 3, A & B from the August 2009 minutes of the Board of Directors meeting. **ADOPTED**

**MOTION BY** Tom Wolboldt to accept the minutes of the August 2009 Board of Directors meeting after striking X.A. 1, 2, 3, A & B, and III.F.2.a & b from the record, and changing VII.E.1 from "Van" Braun Convention Center to "Von" Braun Convention Center. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to accept the minutes of the August 2009 membership meeting after changing II. B. d. from "2011" to "2012", and V. C. from Topeka, KS July 6-8, 2010 to July 8 – 10, 2010, and Dayton, OH August 3 -6, 2011 to August 4-6, 2011. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

**III. TREASURER'S REPORT**

- A. John Pojunos reported the 2008/2009 year end deficit was \$77,754.
- B. The current projected deficit for 2009/2010 is \$106,400.
- C. John Pojunos suggested combining *Supply Line* and *Army Motors* to reduce the deficit

- D. It was explained that the Affiliate Liability Insurance program premium for 2010 is \$7100, with the affiliates covering \$5200 of the total, and the savings of nearly \$2000 on a separate convention liability policy shows the program is paying for itself.
- E. David Cadorette wants a percentage of the Headquarters Staff's salaries to be added into the convention expenses.
  - 1. Kay reported the effect of this expense on the income of the past two conventions
    - a. If HQ salaries, estimated at \$20,000, had been added to the expenses for the Evansville convention 2009, income would have dropped from \$39,955 to \$17,655 and the host group's compensation would have gone from \$11,866 to \$5,296
    - b. If HQ salaries had been added to the expenses for the Portland convention income would have dropped from \$10,201 to <\$10,879> not including a payment to the host group
    - c. Kay continued that if in Portland 2008 the vendor tables prices were raised from \$55 to \$75, and non-vendor registrations increased by \$10 across the board, the total net profit would have been \$471 before payment to the host group
    - d. The Evansville convention did not show as great a difference because of the record crowds and income for the event

#### IV. Headquarters Report

- A. Membership increased by 0.97% in 2009.
- B. Headquarters will be launching new web-based membership software in the near future to update from the current DOS based system used since 1991.

**MOTION BY** David Welch to appoint David Cadorette to continue as the Advertising Coordinator, **ADOPTED.**

#### V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

**MOTION BY** David Doyle nominated David Welch for President, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY** Randy Withrow for David Welch to remain President by acclamation, **ADOPTED.**

**MOTION BY** John Pojunos to elect John Cheney II for Vice President, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY** John Cheney to elect Tom Wolboldt for Secretary, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to nominate Randy Withrow for Treasurer, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to nominate John Pojunos for Treasurer, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to close the nominations, **MOTION CARRIED.**

***Written ballots for Treasurer were counted by guest Wendy Rowsam and Secretary Tom Wolboldt; the first vote resulted in: Randy Withrow receiving 5 votes, John Pojunos receiving 4 votes, 1 abstains. Not meeting the simple majority another ballot vote was taken resulting in Randy Withrow being elected to the position with 6 votes, John Pojunos received 3 votes, 1 abstain.***

#### VI. MVPA EDITORS' REPORTS

- A. David Doyle reported to the Board for Reg Hodgson concerning *Army Motors*.
  - 1. David reported that Reg will be editing his 100 issue of *Army Motors* this year.
  - 2. Reg also relayed that he was getting good material and expects the quality of *Army Motors* to remain.

**For the Record as per Secretary Tom Wolboldt:** The Board approved David Doyle's Supply Line Editor job description

**IT WAS DECIDED** to ban all political advertising from *Supply Line*.

**MOTION BY** Tom Wolboldt to adjourn for the evening, and to reconvene at 8 a.m. Saturday 27 March 2010. **MOTION CARRIED.**

***The Winter Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President David Welch at 8 a.m. Saturday 27 March 2010. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.***

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to go into Executive Session, **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

***Minutes of the Executive Session were taken by Secretary Tom Wolboldt  
Executive Session ended, the staff and guests rejoined the meeting***

## **VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**IT WAS DECIDED** to drop "Regional Representation" from the agenda.

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to discontinue offering MVPA Life Memberships. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

**IT WAS DECIDED** that President David Welch would appoint Kevin Emdee to chair the Safety Committee with David Doyle as alternate, and Terry Shelswell as a committee member.

**MOTION BY** Kevin Emdee to accept the *Supply Line* Editor Job description. **Motion withdrawn**, with discussion to continue at the winter 2011 meeting.

**MOTION BY** Kevin Emdee to have the Chief Operating Officer address administrative matters only, while Policy is set by the entire Board. **ADOPTED.**

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to accept the Convention Chairman Job Description, composed by Steve Preston, with the discussed additions (**additions to be added by Steve Preston and submitted to HQ for the record**). **ADOPTED.**

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Overview of new MVPA Affiliate applications

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to accept the Midwest Military Vehicle Association (MMVA) as an MVPA Affiliate Group. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

**MOTION BY** John Cheney II to accept the Green Mountain Military Vehicle Club, Inc. as an MVPA Affiliate Group. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

### B. Associate Member recruitment compensation

1. Rather than giving the Associate Members a rebate for each new member recruited it was discussed that the current recruitment gift program be revamped to offer "MVPA Bucks" rather than recruitment gifts
  - a. \$5 in MVPA Bucks will be given to each active member that recruits a new MVPA member
  - b. MVPA Bucks can be applied to Supply Room items, *Supply Line* advertising, Display or Classified, toward annual membership dues, or convention registration
  - c. More details on the MVPA Bucks will be discussed at the August 2010 meeting in Topeka, KS.

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to update MVPA Policy #6 to reflect the current ad discounts for Associate members. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

## **Military Vehicle Preservation Association** **Policy 6: Associate Member Benefit**

(Adopted March 2007 to take effect January 1, 2008) (Revised March 2010)

The following benefits and privileges will be granted to all Associate Members in good standing as outlined in the MVPA Bylaw and Policies:

- A listing of your business, location & contact information in 6 issues of *Supply Line* annually
- 20% *Supply Line* Ad Discount \* Add 5% - 3 Issue Prepay
- Delayed *Supply Line* ad payment 15-days after publication date-excluding prepaid discounts
- MVPA Associate Member Logo added to your *Supply Line* ads
- Have a voice in Board decision through the Associate / Business Committee
- 10% Discount on MVPA Convention vendor tables or spaces
- “First Chance” at MVPA Convention table or space selection
- Delayed vendor table or space payment 30-days prior to the MVPA Convention

**MOTION BY** Tom Wolboldt to change MVPA Policy #14, item #7 in “Copies of all Affiliate Newsletters” to “Copies of all Affiliate Newsletters are made available upon request by any Board Member”. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

## **Military Vehicle Preservation Association** **Policy 14: MVPA Director Benefits**

(Adopted November 2006, Revised June 2007, Revised March 2010)

The following Director benefits are covered by the MVPA:

1. Travel expense reimbursement from home of record to the winter and summer meetings plus any “special meetings” called as per the bylaws.
2. Winter meeting hotel room and 4 meals\*, plus 1 summer meeting meal.
3. Complimentary 1<sup>st</sup> Class MVPA membership during time of service.
4. Directors may purchase “Supply Room” items at cost during time of service.
5. One complimentary MVPA golf shirt given at the first board meeting.
6. Complimentary individual convention registration plus Friday & Saturday evening meal ticket.
7. Copies of all Affiliate Newsletters are made available upon request by any Board Member.
8. Director & Officers Liability Insurance

*\* The winter meeting Saturday evening meal can include up to 6 members of the convention host affiliate, to be selected by the convention host chairman. All MVPA members are welcome to attend the dinner but must pay for their own meal. One-month advance notice is required to insure sufficient seating.*

**MOTION BY** Toby Chandler to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of electronic voting in MVPA Elections. **The motion was withdrawn.**

**IT WAS DECIDED** President David Welch would appoint Toby Chandler as chairman, with Tom Wolboldt as Alternate, to review the election process with Kay Willard as a member of the committee.

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to trademark the MVPA's logo with David Cadorette as Chair of the committee to start the process, and to authorize the expenditure necessary. **ADOPTED.**

**A MOTION BY** Tom Wolboldt to go into Executive Session. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

*Minutes of the Executive Session where taken by Secretary Tom Wolboldt.*

## **IX. STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **A. Vehicle Judging**

**A MOTION BY** David Doyle to accept the revised Judging Guide with changes to item #4 "The" to "That", "vehicle" to "vehicles", "was" to "were"; Judging Classes 1. Adding "This 'like new' appearance shall be as the vehicle was shipped from the manufacturer, at the point of being first issued for use from a depot, or at the point of re-assembly after leaving the manufacturer before any modifications are preformed. 2. Motor Pool Class "and or" to "and/or", and adding a comma to line 4 after "they represent", negating any previous Judging Guides. **ADOPTED Unanimously.** (See attached)

### **B. Government Legislative/DMV Liaison**

1. Jeff Rowsam reported on the progress made with the Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles and the State Legislature concerning the licensing of HMVs in that state, and passing new legislation.
  - a. The new law allows privately owned wheeled HMVs, including wheeled armor, motorcycles and trailers, to be registered and operated in Wisconsin as an item of historic interest.
  - b. The new law includes creating a new HMV specific license plate (yet to be designed)
  - c. Registration fee were set by this law.
    1. There is a one-time \$30 registration fee per vehicle
    2. There is no fee for vehicles currently registered with "collector" plates
    3. When the state has recouped the fees covering development and administration, the licensing fee will be lowered to \$5.00 per vehicle
  - d. There is no age or weight limitations for HMV licensing
  - e. Non-US vehicles must be at least 25 years old to qualify for HMV registration
  - f. There are no mileage limits, or annual inspection requirements, but the vehicle must be kept in unmodified original military configuration, preferably in military style markings
  - g. The law has exemptions
    1. The vehicle is to be used for special occasions, and/or for normal vehicle maintenance
    2. HMVs may not be used as daily drivers, or for commercial operation
    3. Vehicles may not display commercial advertising or be in non-military paint schemes
    4. Tracked vehicles may not be registered
  - h. Additional 2009 Wisconsin Act 135 information
    1. The law takes effect on 1 October 2010, and there is no reason to apply prior to that date
    2. The DMV will not notify owners with existing plates.
      1. Current owners with collector plates must re-apply for the new HMV plate
      2. Applications will only be accepted via postal service to the Madison DMV
      3. The new plates will have random numbers
      4. Current titles can be corrected by the DMV
      5. The application may require photo verification, TM, or reference books showing that the vehicle is of military use and configuration, and that it was in military service.

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to appoint Jeff Rowsam as the point person of the **Government Legislative/DMV Liaison** committee. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

**C. Convention Committee**

1. 2010 Topeka, Kansas
  - a. The Board toured the facility and hotel before the Friday meeting and found the venue to be quite efficient.
  - b. It was discussed to charge the convention for advertising in *Supply Line*.
  - c. Steve Preston presented ideas for new vehicle awards
  - d. Steve Preston reported on possible sites for convention after 2012
    1. Alameda, California (MVCC of California)
    2. Detroit, Michigan (AoD affiliate)
  - e. How to keep vehicles and vendor in place at the convention until the official move out was discussed.
    1. Sanctions against the vendors to not give advance notice of the next convention to any vendor that moves out before the published time.
    2. If the violation is repeated the vendor may not be allowed to reserve space at future conventions.
    3. It was not determined how to keep the vehicles in place, other than the exit doors not being accessible until move-out.

**IT WAS DECIDED** the Board will look into new vehicle awards for the 2010 MVPA convention. Tracey will get prices on the suggested awards and will report to the Board before going into production.

2. 2011 Dayton, Ohio
  - a. The Nutter Center has agreed to charge the same amount for the venue in 2011 as it did in 2006,
  - b. A new host hotel is being approached due to the rising cost of rooms at the hotels used in 2006.
  - c. The Saturday evening banquet will be held at the Air Force Museum.
  - d. It was discussed that judging, barbecue and auction will be on Thursday, The awards banquet on Friday, and a fun evening is planned to close the event on Saturday.
  - e. John Cheney II gave a tentative budget of \$104,000 income and \$74,000 expenses.
  - f. Terry Shelswell will co-host the 2011 Dayton convention with John Cheney II.
  - g. The Ohio Motorpool is giving 25% of their convention income to the Marlboro Volunteers.
3. 2012 Huntsville, Alabama
  - a. The event will be held at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, AL June 28 – 30.
  - b. Move-in on June 27, and move-out on July 1.
  - c. Convention Chairman Steve Preston is to make a site visit in the near future.
  - d. Randy Withrow remarked that this will be a fun-filled family event, with many family oriented activities in the local area.

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to invite all Vanderveen Award recipients, and their significant other, to be guests of the MVPA at the annual convention banquet. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

**D. Awards Committee – Recipients need to be relayed to Tracey allowing time to have the awards produced.**

1. The Vanderveen Award was discussed during Executive Session
2. Roll of Honor recipients were discussed during Executive Session
3. Pioneer award was discussed during Executive Session
4. Littlefield award was discussed during Executive Session

5. John Cheney II is to electronically send candidates for the 2009 Website Award for the Boards review and to select a recipient.
6. David Welch will send candidates for the annual Newsletter Editor award to the Board electronically for review and to select a recipient.

E. MVPA Events Committee

1. Terry Shelswell gave a final update on the TMC'09, thanking the Board for allowing him to direct and participate in the event.
  - a. The convoy was great exposure for the MVPA and the historic military vehicle hobby
    1. Terry noted the areas where the next convoy could be improved and, how to keep the line of communication open through daily internet updates
    2. The only negative portion was the low sales of the commemorative novelty items, and Terry noted the excessive amount of merchandise would not be ordered for future convoys
  - b. Terry made suggestions for selling the remaining TMC'09 inventory

**IT WAS DECIDED** to lower the price of all TMC'09 inventory to 75% of their cost.

2. Terry Shelswell presented a tentative plans for future convoys
  - a. Terry would like to conduct a major MVPA sanctioned cross-country MV convoy every 2-3 years
  - b. Terry will bring more information, and a tentative budget, for the next convoy to the July 2010 Board meeting
    1. Each convoy should have a historic military relevance
    2. Each should be at least 2 weeks in duration
3. Possible future convoy destinations
  - a. Alcan Highway
  - b. Troop Movements during the 1941 Louisiana Maneuvers
  - c. The 1920 US Army Transcontinental Motor Convoy from DC to San Diego, CA
  - d. 1912 "Army Road Test" from DC to Indianapolis, IN

**IT WAS DECIDED** President David Welch would appoint Terry Shelswell to the Event Committee.

**X. FINAL BUDGET APPROVAL**

**MOTION BY** Kevin Emdee to approve a \$2,500 increase in the *Supply Line* article budget, **ADOPTED.**

**IT WAS DECIDED** the budget is to be adjusted and submitted electronically to the Board by Kay Willard prior to 9 April 2010.

**IT WAS DECIDED** Headquarters is to track the time spent on Convention, *Supply Line*, Supply Room, Membership services and convoys, putting a dollar value on the time then reporting to the Board.

**A MOTION BY** Kevin Emdee to go into Executive Session with the meeting adjourning after the Executive Session was complete. **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

***Notes of the Executive Session were taken by Secretary Tom Wolboldt.***

**XI. MEETING ADJOURNED:** by President David Welch

Respectfully submitted on 3/31/10 to Secretary Tom Wolboldt by Tracey Metcalf, Administrative Assistant  
Reviewed by Kay Willard, C.O.O. 4/14/10  
Full Board Approval 7/7/2010