

MVPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
November 12-13, 2010 \* Hope Hotel \* Dayton, Ohio  
Minutes Approved

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

President, David Welch at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 13, 2010, called the 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. *The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance*

**Present:**

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

**Absent:** Reg Hodgson – St. Albert, AB, Canada

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to accept the meeting agenda as amended, **ADOPTED Unanimously**

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

**II. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**MOTION BY** Kevin Kronlund to accept the minutes of the July 2010, **ADOPTED Unanimously**

**III. TREASURER'S REPORT**

- A. The total deficit for the 2009-2010 fiscal year is (\$79,427).
  - 1. Kay explained that 2008-09 included Supply Line ad income for 7 instead of 6 issues increasing the net income by \$16,980. This in turn decreased the 2009-10 net income by \$16,980 because it includes ad income from just 5 of the 6 issues. If ad billing for all 6 issues would have occurred the deficit would have been (\$62,477)
- B. Kay explained that because the 2009 convention was held in August some of the expenses and income carried over to 2010 which effected the net income by (\$5,358)
  - 1. David Welch asked that the 2009-10 financial report reflect that the deficit would have been (\$57,089) if all of the 2009 convention financial activity could have been wrapped up by 9/30/09
- C. The Board asked Kay to see what it would take to move the Fiscal Year to match the calendar year rather than the current October 1 - September 30, and bring to the winter meeting agenda.
- D. David Doyle discussed the MVPA calendar project noting the calendar was meant to be a "thank you" from the MVPA and not a recruitment tool.
  - 1. The 2011 calendar nearly broke even, a deficit of just \$33.79. David noted that the postage was considerably more than the printer quoted.(USA postage \$500, Foreign \$1500)
  - 2. Tracey Metcalf suggested the calendar in 2012 be cropped to an 8.5" x 11" format to fit in the same size envelopes, and plastic bags, used to mail the publications, reducing the mailing expenses.
- E. The average cost for Supply Line per issue mailed is \$1.17
  - 1. David Doyle noted there will be an increase in the cost of paper by 3 – 7%, which would result in about a 2% increase in our printing costs
  - 2. David Doyle reported that the \$13,000 to mail magazines to Military Vehicle magazine subscribers did not produce the results he had hoped for.
  - 3. David suggested he could eliminate the color editorial section of the magazine to save money, to which the Board replied, "No".
  - 4. The Board agreed to wait and see the cost of the combined publications before investigating additional ways to cut costs.

- F. The average cost per issue mailed of Army Motors is \$3.07
- G. The 2012 calendar project was discussed to include new income options.
  - 1. Tracey Metcalf asked to have more time to sell and comprise the advertising, David Doyle agreed.

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to produce a 2012 calendar. **ADOPTED Unanimously**

#### **IV. EDITOR'S REPORT**

- A. David Doyle stated he had pretty much covered the Supply Line in the previous section.
- B. David Doyle reported for Reg Hodgson that he was always in need of articles. David also updated the Board as to why Reg did not attend the fall meeting, but expected him to attend the winter meeting.

#### **V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Tom Wolboldt reported that the MVPA Auction site has not been launched.
  - 1. Tom Wolboldt and Chris Smith, MVPA Web Master, discussed that they could access the site with a free 14 day trial to experiment with the MVPA's items.
  - 2. Tom Wolboldt feels the site will be great exposure for the MVPA and also generate some income.
  - 3. The cost is \$600 for the site, \$480 for Chris Smith to configure the items and \$25 per month for maintenance.
  - 4. Once launched announcements will be made on the G503.com and on Steel Soldiers.
- B. Kevin Emdee brought his suggestions for Policy 2 firearms at MVPA conventions and sanctioned events.
  - 1. Kevin is to send the revisions to Tom Wolboldt for discussion and review.
  - 2. After Tom's review the policy will be sent electronically to the Board for final approval.
- C. Policy 5 revisions were discussed by the Board with changes made to Affiliate Host Requirements, item 1: *Must be currently active and in good standing with the MVPA and have been a recognized organization for three (3) years prior to the initial presentation. Exceptions to this policy may be taken under consideration by the Board.*

**MOTION BY** John Cheney to accept the revision to policy 5, **ADOPTED Unanimously.**

- D. Member Tom Cannery asked that the Board put his request for all future MVPA legislation to include ALL military vehicles and not limit the verbiage to "historic" or "Vintage/Parade" vehicles.
  - 1. Jeff Rowsam reported that in Wisconsin that was easier said than done, and he would have liked to include all HMVs, but the state narrowed it to historic registry of vehicles.
  - 2. David Welch appointed John Cheney, and David Cadorette to a committee chaired by Jeff Rowsam to come up with a tentative position on future state legislation.
- E. Kay Willard asked the Board what they would like to do with the 380 T-shirts, 49 golf shirts and 82 ceramic mugs from the TMC'09 convoy.
  - 1. It was decided to offer the merchandise to the Affiliates starting with the "top star" groups. The merchandise would be at no charge with the Affiliates to cover the cost of postage only.
  - 2. It was suggested to make the offer Pedro Campos of Puerto Rico first because of his excellent recruiting efforts.
- F. Kay Willard reported that Lee Holland has been requesting a one-page article with photos. The topic to be about the MV hobby in general with the MVPA as the contact for more information. Lee has some contacts with magazines such as Hagerty's that are willing to print the article.
  - 1. David Doyle requested Lee give the name and contact information to him. That he, Reg and David Cadorette would deal directly with the publications.

- G. David Cadorette reported that the MVPA's logo was currently protected because the application had been submitted.
1. The application may take from 6 – 18 months for final approval.
  2. David Cadorette, David Doyle, and Tom Wolboldt are to work on a policy for affiliate group's use of the logo once the trademark is approved.
  3. David Cadorette is to contact MVCC concerning the similarity of their logo to the MVPA's logo.

**MOTION BY** Toby Chandler to adjourn for the evening; **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Jeff Rowsam introduced Greg Stropes of the Historic Vehicle Association who gave a presentation about their group and mission to the Board.
1. Mr. Stropes is a director for the HVA, from Traverse City, MI.
    - a. The HMV's mission is *Keep Yesterday's Vehicles on Tomorrow's Roads* by establishing a collaborative, unified platform among the historic vehicle enthusiasts in the US and Canada and supporting the institutions and activities that allow us to enjoy historic motoring.
    - b. Hagerty Insurance realized that most car clubs focus on a particular make or model and are social in nature, doing little to advocate for the collector car hobby as a whole.
    - c. In 2002 Hagerty Plus, a membership program, was launched to tie the hobby together representing owners of all makes, models, and classes of historic vehicles. In 2009 with the formation of the Historic Vehicle Association the 325,000 members of Hagerty Plus became members of HVA.
    - d. HVA offers advocacy and services rather than social programs much like the global organization FIVA. The FIVA was established in 1966 and has 1 million members in 62 countries. But with no chapters in North America the FIVA ratified the HVA as the as the designated authority in the US and Canada

**MOTION BY** David Cadorette to align the MVPA with the Historic Vehicle Association and become partners in legislation, **APPROVED unanimously.**

- e. John Cheney offered Mr. Stropes and the HVA a complimentary promotional table at the 2011 Dayton convention.

**IT WAS DECIDED** to move item VII. C. to this time as a courtesy to Jeff Rowsam, **the Board agreed.**

**C. MVPA Convoy Committee – AC'12 (August 2012) update by Jeff Rowsam**

1. Jeff reported that the convoy route had been tentatively set, with a starting point at Dawson Creek running through Chicken, turning toward Anchorage before heading up to Fairbanks, then returning through Delta Junction, Haines Junction, Watson Lake and on to Dawson Creek to disassemble.
2. Jeff noted the plans for the 2012 Alaska Highway convoy were well underway, there is a budget of 50 vehicles (there is no cap on the number of vehicles participating) with 26 pre-registered paid participants, and 7 pre-registered vehicles that have not paid to date.

3. Jeff's wife Wendy reported on the print advertising, the layouts were done by a member at no charge, and face book page for the convoy, and that ads will appear in Military Vehicles Magazine, and as postings on Steel Soldiers, G503.com and G506.com.
4. Jeff reported a volunteer from California was going to pre-run the route in the summer of 2011.
5. The core team has been established and more members have volunteered to help with the details.
6. Currently the T-shirt and Registration budget is very heavy on the income side.
7. Jeff told the group that there are at least 3 main feeder convoys forming with one up the west coast from Texas, diagonally from Florida, and 1 or 2 convoys coming from the East.
8. The Convoy Commander, Terry Shelswell, and Convoy XO, Jeff Rowsam have been approached by a film company wanting to do a documentary on the Alaska Highway Convoy, but there are no details to report at this time.
9. Jeff said there were plans to send a Convoy Press Release to the Affiliate Group Newsletter Editors.

**IT WAS DECIDED** that the AC'12 would be put on the agenda for the Winter Board Meeting.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS** (continued)

- B. Tom Wolboldt and Kay Willard reported on the MVPA Ebay sales
  1. Kay reported retail sales of \$132.50 for the seven months since the program was started. With such low sales Kay asked Tom if he wanted to continue, to which he said yes, the exposure on Ebay is good for the MVPA.
  2. Tom is going to add the 2011 MVPA Calendar to Ebay.
- C. The Board discussed the Convention Host group percentage. It was determined that Policy 5, #5 would stand at a 30% of the net (income less all expenses) paid to the host group.
- D. Updating the policies on firearms to coincide with one another was discussed with Kevin Emdee to update policies and e-mail the results to the Board electronically before the Winter meeting.
- E. Sponsoring a Boy Scout Badge and asking for membership endowments were moved to the Winter meeting agenda.
- F. Kay Willard updated the Board on the new membership software and the popularity of certain areas of the new side of the MVPA's web site.
  1. The new software allows members to access and update their account information, including mailing address, e-mail address, phone and fax number.
  2. Members may pay their renewals directly from the My Transaction area.
  3. The Individual Directory allows members (who have logged in) to search for other MVPA members by name, address, state, country or biography information.
  4. For the members that do not want their information available, they can simply check "Do not publish".
  5. Kay also noted that the program has only been launched since 1 October and we are still learning all of the benefits and programs, but are very encouraged by the possibilities.

## **VII. STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. Convention Committee
  1. Steve Preston reviewed the proposal by the Arsenal of Democracy for the 2013 convention. Reporting that many of the items and questions he had for the group went unanswered.

**A MOTION** by Steve Preston to decline the Arsenal of Democracy's proposal to host the 2013 convention, **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Steve continued that the MVCC of Oregon would probably bring a proposal for a 2013 convention to the Winter meeting.
3. Steve reported that he had been approached by several convention and visitors bureaus to host conventions.

**MOTION BY** David Doyle to have Steve Preston investigate the cost of having a convention held in the east by a company rather than an Affiliate Group and report back to the Board at the Winter meeting, **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Randy Withrow reported on the 2012 Huntsville, AL convention stating the contracts had not been signed and that he would like for Steve Preston, Convention Chairman, to make a site visit to negotiate the room and venue rates.
  - a. Steve noted he planned to visit Huntsville in the near future and would keep Randy posted as to his schedule.
  - b. Randy said the Dixie Division was looking forward to hosting the event.
5. John Cheney reported that the contracts for the 2011 MVPA convention had been signed with the Nutter Center and the Hope Hotel. Then John outlined the schedule of events
  - a. Ohio Motorpool will set up on Monday 1 August
  - b. Vendor move-in Tuesday 2 August 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
  - c. Board Meeting will be held at the Hope Hotel at 2 p.m. Tuesday 2 August
  - d. Convention opens to members and guests from noon – 10 p.m. Wednesday 3 August
  - e. A River Boat cruise will be on Wednesday night
  - f. There will also be a ladies tour to Yellow Springs with several other stops.
  - g. Judging will begin 8 a.m. on Thursday 4 August until done.
  - h. Thursday is the barbecue and auction at the hotel, and can accommodate 650 people.
  - i. The awards banquet will be held Friday at the National Museum of the US Air Force.
  - j. Saturday's social event will be a Monte Carlo night at the Hope Hotel
  - k. John wants the vendor to sign a contract stating they will stay in place until 4 p.m. Saturday, with violators being taken off the early notification list at future conventions.
  - l. Amphibian will be able to swim in the pond at the Nutter Center as long as it has an open top (no canopy), there are Coast Guard approved floatation devices for all passengers, and the vehicle owner provides a copy of proof of insurance at the time of check-in.

**B. Judging Committee – Tom Wolboldt**

1. Tom reported that owners had questions concerning the results, but he did not get cooperation from all of the judges to answer the questions.
2. Tom requested the serial number of the vehicle be given when the owner registers so the judges have a better idea of the actual vehicles being judged.
3. Tom would like to school the pre-judges as to what to look for when performing the test.
4. Judged vehicles are to be in place by 8 a.m. Thursday or they will not be judged.
5. It was determined that if a vehicle did not qualify to be judged there would be no refund of the judging fees as all administrative work had been done prior to the event.

**IT WAS DECIDED** that For Sale vehicle fees are to be the same price as a vendor table.

**A MOTION BY** David Doyle to put Tom Wolboldt in charge of all registered vehicles at the conventions, **ADOPTED unanimously.**

**C. Safety Committee**

1. Kevin Emdee has located US Military Safety Handbooks for tracked and wheeled vehicles to use as a guide for MVPA safety.
2. Kevin is to compile rules that specify the MVPA's regulations, and address the topic again at the Winter meeting.

**D. MVPA Historical Archives**

1. Tom Wolboldt reported that there are currently 15,500 logged drawings in the Archives.
2. This task has taken 25 work sessions and Tom estimates, at the current rate, it will take 5 years to complete the drawing organization and logging.

**F. Affiliate Liaison Committee - John Cheney reported that he had been contacted by members of two Affiliate Groups with inner turmoil.**

**A MOTION BY** David Doyle to go into Executive Session, **ADOPTED unanimously.**

*No motions or decision were made while in Executive Session*

**A MOTION BY** John Cheney to come out of Executive Session, **ADOPTED unanimously.**

**A MOTION BY** Randy Withrow to tentatively approve the Michigan MVPA, after acquiring their 10<sup>th</sup> active MVPA member, **ADOPTED unanimously.**

**G. Board of Directors Communication** – It was determined that the directors and HQ should keep each other informed of the work being done and decisions made via e-mail. It was suggested that when responding to an email we copy those that received the initial email, even if we are responding is to a specific Director or staff. It was suggested to include a deadline when requesting a response.

**VIII. BUDGET REVIEW** – Randy Withrow reported that there were no changes made during the meeting to the previously approved 2010-11 budget.

**IX. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

**IT WAS DECIDED** the Winter 2011 meeting will be held 11-12 March 2011 in Huntsville, Alabama.

**A MOTION BY** Kevin Krolund to adjourn the meeting, **ADOPTED unanimously.**

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

Respectfully submitted by Tracey Metcalf, Administrative Assistant on 11/17/10

Reviewed by Kay Willard, C.O.O. on 11/18/10

Sent to Secretary Tom Wolboldt on 11/18/10

Sent to Full Board on 12/2/10 for approval by Full Board 12/15/2010