

10 June 2022 MVPA Convention General Membership Meeting

- Kevin Emdee - President
- Mike Lusty - VP
- Mike Wright - Secretary
- Harold West – Treasurer
- Dan McClaren
- Kevin Hess
- Steve Greenberg
- Tom Clark

There were 46 Members at the start, an additional 3 members attended with 10 minutes of the start.

Questions asked are: The vast majority were answered by Kevin Emdee.

- How do we work to increase younger people to join?
Answer – John Adams Graff is working on social media, Tic-Toc, Instagram, etc.
- Do we have a 5 year business plan?
Answer - No
- Will there be Affiliate insurance again being offered?
Answer – The lawsuit prevents this as the MVPA is un-insurable. David Doyle answered that the MVPA HA can be insured but not the affiliates thru the HA.
- What can the MVPA HA do reference the Colorado Licensing issue?
The HA is a 501 C 3 not for profit organization and as such can not lobby. Same issue as Michigan.
- Can members be held liable reference the lawsuit?
Answer – No.
- Resolution time frame for the lawsuit?
Answer – It appears later this fall it should be resolved.
- Bill Kish asked the question, How can we make lobbying happen?
Answer – According to IRS code, We can't. (Janice Brough after the meeting told me that isn't exactly true. She is a retired IRS agent).
- Is there any thought to a MVPA museum?
That would require a benefactor.
- Reference the survey on board restructuring in HiM.
Answer – Kevin Hess stated there was a committee formed and his plan is to further it along now that his primary duties with this convention are now done.
- Kevin Emdee stated that there is a zoom meeting on 20 Sep reference finances and that everyone is invited.

- What is the HA?
Answer – It is the legal separation of the MVPA from the MVPA HA that keeps us viable and allows us to have our convention and remain in business after the lawsuit.
- What is the #1 issue currently with us?
Answer – the lawsuit.
- What about the level of participation this year vs last years convention?
Answer – We knew it would be less, however when the decision had to be made in the middle of COVID, to ensure we could have a convention and with the incentives offered by AM General and the city it was a Win / Win.
- David Doyle asked the question: Dan McClaren is now on the board replacing Maurizio. Is Dan and Mike Lusty filling out the remainder of their (Maurizio and John Cheney II's term)?
Answer – Yes
- David Doyle went on to ask when his old appointed position will be filled.
Kevin Emdee stated we are waiting for the recommendation from the Board Restructuring committee.
- John Cheney asked; Why has board not filled positions.
Answer – Kevin Emdee stated legal opinion says we don't have to right now.
John Cheney II stated: By-Laws state "SHALL"
- Something fun now (my notation) Where is next convention?
Iowa State Fairgrounds There was discussion about the venue, etc.
- Can we find policies and By-Laws on the website?
Answer – Kevin Emdee stated where to find them on the website.
- Tom Wolboldt asked: Why has the Publication Director position not been filled?
Answer – Duties have been assumed by JAG. We are waiting on the Board restructuring committee recommendations.
Tom calls for positions in By-Laws.
Kevin Hess sites section 3.2 and 3.7 in the By-Laws.
- Has the board voted to fill the position yet?
Tom Clark stated NO.
- Kevin Hess stated it has been brought up many times to fill the position. How come it hasn't been done.
Kevin Emdee stated he had sent out an email reference the subject and to call him (KE) if you want.
- Bill Kish asked who is on the board of the HA?
Answer – Harold West – President, Kevin Emdee – Treasurer, Tracy White – Secretary.

What are the duties for the MVPA and HA?

Answer – Their explained in the By-Laws of each entity.

Robert Bourgh asked if staffing positions at HQ are going to be restructured?

Answer – No, however there are still some things to be done.

- Does every director have a duty?

- Answer – Their explained in the By-Laws of each entity.
At the convention, Yes.
- Michael O’Connell asked; 3.2 and 3.7 say “Shall Be”. So in the spirit of the language should they be filled? Bill Kish agreed with O’Connell.
- Steve Greenberg resigned effective 13 June 2022 and submitted his resignation letter. The MVPA secretary has it.
- Kevin Hess resigned effective 13 June 2022 and submitted his resignation letter. The MVPA secretary has it.
- Kevin Emdee adjourned the meeting.

Michael Wright
MVPA Secretary