

***EANGMT Executive Board Meeting***  
***5 February 2008, 6:00p.m.***  
***Distance Learning Conference Room, Helena, MT***  
***Commander's Conference Room, Great Falls, MT***

**OPENING ITEMS**

- Call to order
- Roll Call of Members

***Executive Members Present:***

President - CSM Ronda Scott

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – SFC Dennis Stoner

Executive Member Army – SFC Nick Smith

Executive Member Army – SFC Tim Sowa

Executive Member Army – 1SG Tom Sanburg

Retired Army – SFC (Ret) Buck Buckmaster

Executive Member Army – SGT Marcus McDowell

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – SMSgt Mark Giskaas

Secretary – SPC April Ruckdaschel

Executive Member Army – SSG Ed Salle

Executive Member Army – 1SG Neil Young

Retired Air – CMSgt (Ret) Paul Heppner

Past President – SMSgt Lisa Smith

***Executive Member Not Present:***

Treasurer – MSG Dana Lahti

Executive Member Air – CMSgt Kirk Hindoién

Executive Member Air – SSgt Matt Giskaas

***Others Present:***

SGM Stena Bushnell

Anita Heppner

Suzie Stewart

CMSgt Steve Lyczewski

Becky Buckmaster

Jan Smith

1SG Risi Stewart

Barb Smith

- Minutes of the last quarterly meeting, 12 November, were accepted as written.
- Minutes of the 27 November Meeting, were accepted as written.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Financial Report – Will be presented at the State Conference in April.
2. Membership Report – CSM Ronda Scott: Received \$800.00 check from the Enlisted Association for all of the USAA Memberships that were sent in for E-5 and E-6s this will bring the numbers up to over 1200.
3. Scholarship Report – 1SG Risi Stewart: The scholarship application was sent out in the newsletter. The date has been changed to 30 April to have all scholarships sent forward. Working on a scholarship committee agenda. Verbal and written report accepted as given
4. Legislative Reports – MSG (Ret) Dan Stewart: Written report on Have had several contacts with the congressional delegation in Washington D.C. in starting the National Defense Authorization Act, which passed On Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, CMSgt Roger Hagan and MSG (Ret) Dan Stewart met with the State Administration Veterans Affairs Interim Committee at the State Capitol concerning exemption of Military Retired income from Montana State income tax.

The subject was taken under consideration and will be back on the agenda later this month. Verbal and written report accepted as given.

5. Retired Committee Reports – CMSgt Paul Heppner: Working on gathering addresses Air National Guard retirees to get more information out to them. Verbal report accepted as given.
6. 2008 State Conference - Dorrie Hagan: Holly Wick is coordinating the arrangements with Native American Dance Group. Other entertainment provided is a magician / ventriloquist. Daycare will be available during the conference.
7. Publications - 2008 1st quarter newsletter will be out shortly, and the second quarter newsletter will not go out until after the state conference. Articles are due shortly after the State Conference.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1SG Risi: Scholarship SOP for the scholarship: It was discussed that 2 teachers and 2 board members to sit on board for scholarship.
- Money Maker Ideas: MSG (Ret) Dan Stewart: Contacted Carolyn Cox from the Heritage Publishing Company to sell ads for the 2008 and 2009 state conference. Advertisement guarantees \$3,000.00 and 200 booklets at no cost to the Enlisted Association. Heritage sent a proposal and is going to conduct a state wide public awareness and advertising campaign on behalf of the Enlisted Association by telephone and direct mail. Verbal report accepted as given.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Committee Personnel Changes: It was suggested that TSgt Patti Hagan replaces CMSgt Kirk Hindoien as an Executive Member Air. Motion was made to vote to remove CMSgt Kirk Hindoien as an Executive Member Air due to non participation and more than one unexcused absence. Motion made to vote TSgt Patti Hagan as the Executive Member Air. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> and accepted.
- State Conference Book: It was discussed that we are going to purchase 75, black and white, 8.5 x 11 copies from Insty Prints in Great Falls for a total \$125.00. Motion was made to pay \$125.00 the motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and excepted. Conference Book Reports are due 28 March 2008.
- Mid-winter Caucus Report: 70 plus people attended in Anaheim, CA. USAA Memberships has chosen this year for 2008 to not fund this program. If USAA decides to bring the program back for 2009, it will be only newly promoted E-5's. Part of the problem was bad addresses. It was suggested to have the State Command Sergeant Major and State Command Chief Master Sergeant propose sending the Soldier and Airman of the Year in a paid status to the conference in Savannah, GA. Verbal report was accepted as given.
- State Conference 25-27 April 2008 at the Crowne Plaza, Billings, MT. There will be a board meeting on Friday, 25 April 2008 at 1300.

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