

## June 2010 Board Meeting Minutes

The MONGA Board met on 18 June 2010 in person and via teleconference.

1. Invocation: Mark Bradley
2. Call to Order: Mike Fayette, President, called the meeting to order at 15:30 after a glitch with the telephone bridge.
3. Roll Call: Vernon James, Executive Director, For Secretary Shaffer

President, Mike Fayette	Present
President-Elect, Vacant	Not present
Immediate Past President, Mark Bradley	Present
Vice-President - Air, Ralph Schwader	Present
Vice-President - Army, Lonnie Brandon	Present
Secretary, Lance Shaffer	Not present
Treasurer, Paul Caldwell	Proxy to Tim Kempker
Enlisted Committee Chair, Sharon Belt	Proxy to Lonnie Brandon
Retired Committee, William Johnson	Not present
Retired Committee, Matt Jenkins	Present
Auxiliary President, Mrs. Susan Jenkins	Present
Chaplain, Kevin McGhee	Not present
Administrative Assistant, Suzanne Hardy	Present
Executive Director, Vernon James	Present
131 FW	Ken Eaves Molly Dieckhaus
	Present Proxy to Ken Eaves
139 AW	Byron Newell Darla Denny
	Proxy to Ralph Schwader Proxy to Ralph Schwader
157 AOG	Darren Whitehorn Mark Smith
	Not present Not present
JFHQ	Larry Crowder Veronica Hoffman
	Proxy to Mike Fayette Present
70th TRP CMD	Joseph Schmitz Charlie Hinde
	Proxy to Charlie Hinde Present
35 EN BDE	Scot Ratcliff Alex Nelson
	Not present Not present
35 CBT AVN BDE	Charlie Hausman Robert Maze
	Present Proxy to Charlie Hausman
110 MEB	Brett Cooper Pat Berendzen
	Present Not present
Also Attending	Mike McEnulty, EANGUS 2010 Conference Chairman and MONGA Insurance Program committee member.

Vernon James: Mr. President, we have a quorum.

At the request of the President, Mike Fayette, Vernon James, Executive Director, presided over the meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the April Board Meeting were not available and approval is tabled until the next Board Meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report: Vernon James for Paul Caldwell, Treasurer

Association Checking as of 18 June 2010:		\$5,110.67
Pending PayPal Dues Transfer:		\$4,067.76
Less Dues Owed To NGAUS:	-	\$ 993.00
Less Dues Owed To EANGUS:	-	\$ 885.00
Less Salaries:	-	\$2,420.00
Checks Issued But Not Cleared:	-	\$1,439.68
Projected EOM June Balance:		\$3,440.65

River Region Credit Union Club Savings:		\$12,083.23
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Projected Association Total EOM June Balance:		\$15,523.88
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Treasurer's report accepted as an informational report.

6. Committee Reports:

a. Legislative: Vernon James

There were no Missouri General Assembly bills of significance to the MONG this session. We were concerned that there could have been an attempt to roll back 2009 HB 82 that provided for an exemption from Missouri State Income Tax for military retirement pay. We need to be vigilant each year.

Legislative: Mike Fayette

Youth Challenge Program authority granted to reestablish the program in Missouri. There was no fiscal grant attached but charitable and private funding is permitted through the Missouri National Guard Foundation.

MONGA support is necessary for a Good Samaritan Law bill in the Missouri Legislature in 2011.

Missouri is now #1 for citizen soldier suicides. MONGA should look at ways to help support programs that provide counseling and preventions programs.

Legislative: Vernon James

All resolutions MONGA sent to NGAUS were accepted except the ANG Enlisted Grade resolution. MONGA sent to EANGUS an ANG Enlisted Grade resolution and it was accepted by the EANGUS resolution committee for further review.

Legislative Committee report accepted as an informational report.

b. Membership: Vernon James

June 11, 2010 membership percentages were sent out to Board members and senior commanders to include membership rosters. The report will be attached to the minutes.

Membership: Mike Fayette

General Schwartz, Air Force Chief of Staff, recently sent out a memo regarding support of military professional organizations. It has been distributed to the Board. Our JAG's will be putting out a Missouri specific memo on support for professional organizations. Membership in professional organizations enhances your career.

Membership Committee report accepted as an informational report.

c. Finance: Vernon James for Paul Caldwell, Treasurer and Chairman.

Projected Budget July – December 2010

Salaries	\$17,520
Membership Brochure Printing/Mailing	\$4,500
EANGUS Conference	\$115,000
NGAUS Conference	\$3,500
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$2,500
Targeted Strategies	\$24,000
Total Budget July – December 2010	\$167,020
Projected Shortfall	-\$151,496

The Board discussed the lack of adequate corporate sponsorship donations received to date to cover the expense of the EANGUS Conference. A suggestion was offered to schedule a special Board Meeting in July and ask Vince Currao from Targeted Strategies attend the meeting in Jefferson City to discuss fundraising issues.

The Board agreed after extensive discussion to the Executive Council scheduling a meeting with Vince Currao of Targeted Strategies Group to address the fundraising issues later in June 2010. Mike Fayette, President, will report back to the entire Board immediately after the meeting so the Board can decide whether a special Board Meeting should be called in July 2010 and attendance by Vince Currao of Targeted Strategies Group required.

- d. Awards: Who was appointed committee chair?

Awards: Mike Fayette

Washington Scholars program sends Juniors and Seniors to Washington DC every year. People are conduits of information.

- e. By-Laws: Veronica Hoffman and Vernon James

The Bylaws committee has not yet started their review of the Bylaws for possible changes. Anyone with suggested changes should submit them to the committee.

- f. Auxiliary: Susan Jenkins, President

MONGA is doing the All States Banquet decorations. The MONGA Auxiliary will assist. There are currently 52 Auxiliary members.

- g. Retired: No report.

- h. Enlisted: No report.

#### 7. Vice President Reports:

- a. VP Air: No report.

- b. VP Army: No report. VP Army asked a question?

Who will attend the EANGUS conference on Enlisted Professional Development orders?

Answer From Vernon James, Executive Director: It is up to the SCSM and SCCM to identify those individuals and to identify funds to support their attendance.

#### 8. Insurance Trust Report: Vernon James for Marcus Jackson, Chairman

- a. Vernon James attended the annual SSLI meeting in Orlando on behalf of the Insurance Trust Board. The ING contract as the carrier for the basic program is up

for bid. ING, New York Life and 5 Star Life presented proposals. By a vote of 16-1, 5 Star Life was selected as the carrier for the basic program. 5 Star Life is also the carrier for the enhanced program. MONGA provides through the Insurance Program a free \$1,000 life insurance policy for all members of the MONG. Other term coverage is available up to \$260,000 for MONG members with lower amounts available to spouses.

b. The Hawthorn Bank account has finally been closed. The account had not had the bank signature cards updated since the late 1990's and we finally got two members that were on the account to close the account. The Insurance Trust accounts are growing and the program is doing well. Some money has been put in an interest-bearing money market account with UMB since the last Board meeting including the proceeds on the closed Hawthorn Bank account.

c. We have a problem with old American Equity policies with ACH deposits into our Premier Insurance Trust Account. Vernon James is working on resolving this issue with our administrator TSG, Inc.

d. Insurance Trust Account balances as of May 31, 2010.

Premier Insurance Trust Checking	\$153,758.27
UMB Trust Checking	\$ 91,808.17
UMB Insurance Money Market	\$ 51,149.33
Total Insurance Trust Accounts	\$296,715.77

## 9. Old Business

a. 2010 EANGUS Conference Update: Mike McEnulty, Chairman. The conference is August 8-12. It is going to be an outstanding conference. The conference committee has worked very hard to make this the best EANGUS conference ever.

b. NGAUS Conference Report: Vernon James. Only 7 people have signed up so far. MONGA had blocked 55 rooms for Missouri attendees but it appears we will be well short of that number. In order to get a room in the Missouri conference hotel, Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capital, conference registrations must be received NLT July 1, 2010. Space-A travel is still up in the air at present but is looking doubtful at present.

## 10. New Business:

a. Membership Drive Improvements: Vernon James. The membership committee needs to determine how to distribute membership brochures for the 2011 membership year. The new membership brochure needs to be accomplished prior to the next regularly scheduled board meeting so it can be discussed and approved for printing and distribution according to the Membership Committee recommendations and the appropriation of fund voted on to pay for the printing and mailing is approved.

#### New Business Introduced By A Board Member:

Tim Kempker made a motion that the finances of the Association be audited by an outside firm. The motion was seconded by proxy by Paul Caldwell.

Discussion: Ralph Schwader discussed whether the Association had the money to be able to pay for an outside audit given our financial situation with the deficits that are projected through the end of the year. Lonnie Brandon and Charlie Hausman also expressed the same view. Vernon James, Executive Director, pointed out that an internal audit is required under the Bylaws of the Association each time there is a change of the Board and it had not been conducted as required prior to the new Board taking office on May 1, 2010. Consensus was this needs to be accomplished.

By agreement, the motion was modified and seconded as follows after discussion ended:

The Association will conduct an external audit after an internal audit is completed as required under the Bylaws and the Association has sufficient funds to pay for the external audit. The amended motion was passed.

11. President's Report: None
12. Immediate Past Presidents Report: None
13. Pledge of Allegiance: Deferred (No flag was present.)
14. Benediction: None
15. The June Board Meeting adjourned at 17:00.