



## **Minutes of the May 14, 2009 MAGHA Board of Directors Meeting**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Directors of the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association met as scheduled on Thursday, May 14, 2009, at the Selfridge Military Air Museum. A quorum being present, Lt Col Nigro called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members present were: Maj Gen Bartholomew, Lt Col Crawford, Mr. Dopp, Mr. Gompers, Mr. Handleman, Mr. Krings, Lt Col Nigro, Maj Gen Pochmara, Lt Col Veara, and CMSgt Viterna

Members represented were: Maj Leon by Chief Nuttall

Members excused were: Mrs. Errington, Maj Hogan, and Brig Gen Rudolph

Guests present were: None

### **AGENDA**

Lt Col Nigro asked that the annual membership report be presented as an item of new business. A motion was made by Maj Gen Bartholomew and seconded by Mr. Gompers to approve the agenda for this meeting as amended. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

### **REVIEW OF MARCH 12, 2009 MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Maj Gen Pochmara and seconded by Lt Col Veara to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2009 as published. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

### **REPORTS**

**SPAD Project (Krings):** Construction of the SPAD is complete and the aircraft is on display inside the SPAD Hangar. To date, LTC Nigro has processed \$20, 119.35 in donations to the project and expended \$68,456...10 towards completion of the project leaving a negative balance of \$48,336.75. The SPAD will be formally dedicated at the 2009 Selfridge Air Show. A motion was made by Maj Gen Bartholomew and seconded by Maj Gen Pochmara to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

**MAGHA/Air Museum Financial Report** (Nigro): LTC Nigro presented and explained the current financial reports for MAGHA and the Air Museum, current as of 13 May 2009. Although checkbook plus CD assets available (“liquid assets”) are \$115,497.17, current known liabilities are \$4,912.47 giving us an encumbered checkbook & CD fund balance of \$110,584.70. *Images of Aviation, Selfridge Field* history book profits as of 13 May 2009 are approximately \$7,134.00. A motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Mr. Dopp to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

**Active Museum/Air Park Improvement Project Status** (Nigro): LTC Nigro presented the current active Museum and Air Park improvement project status report. A motion was made by CMSgt Viterna and seconded by Maj Gen Pochmara to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

**MAGHA Membership** (Nigro): LTC Nigro briefed the Board that MAGHA membership as of 13 May 2009 is 624, a decrease of six from the 630 member count reported on January 8, 2009. The decrease is attributable to the decrease in 700-Area Boat Storage occupants. A graph of the membership history and a complete list of current and expired MAGHA members were presented to the Board members present. President Rudolph will send a personal letter to select members encouraging them to upgrade their membership category. A motion was made by Lt Col Veara and seconded by CMSgt Viterna to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

**Adopt-A-Plane Program** (Nigro): The program’s current sponsor list was provided to the Board members present. A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and accept the report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Facilities Plan** (Nigro): **NO CHANGE.** Due to the costs involved and the safety of weekend docents, the plan to turn Bldg 1008 into a Visitor’s Center, Gift Shop, and Research Library has been significantly changed. To create more space within Bldg 1011 for displays, the plan is now to move just the Research Library to Bldg 1008. **OPEN** (Nigro)

**Strategic Plan** (Nigro): **NO CHANGE.** At a previous Board meeting, Mr. Handleman requested that a strategic plan for MAGHA and the Selfridge Military Air Museum be developed to insure the organizations codify how they plan to acquire, develop, and allocate their resources (human, financial, and physical) in a way that advances their mission and sustains their financial viability. A motion was made by Brig Gen Rudolph, seconded by Mr. Handleman, and approved by the Board to task Lt Col Nigro to begin the development of this plan for presentation to and input from the Board of Directors at a future meeting. Lt Col Nigro presented the Board with the American Association of Museum’s expectations regarding institutional planning, noting this is a very comprehensive and detailed process and can only be accomplished when time and other tasks will allow. **OPEN** (Nigro)

**2009 Golf Outing** (Pochmara): The MAGHA 2009 golf outing will be on Friday 26 June. There will be a 10:00 am shotgun start and the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing has agreed to be a co-sponsor. Our goal will be to get 23 teams of 4 (18 holes +5 double ups on par 5's). We will give out at least three team awards for the lowest scores and awards for closest to the pin, longest and straightest drive. Our goal is to make rules that give all/most teams a chance to win one of the awards. We will give stroke reductions based on age and gender. In the past there have been complaints about teams made up of non military "ringers". We could make additional handicaps for non-military teams. In order to encourage hole-sponsorship, we will give a stroke off for their sponsoring a hole. We need to over communicate to the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing, Team Selfridge and our membership. No recommended additions, deletions, or changes were submitted to Lt Col Nigro by the 31 January 2009 suspense date so distribution of the flier began immediately. Lt Col Crawford was asked to insure the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing established the five teams they committed to. **OPEN** (Pochmara)

**Security Concerns** (Nigro): **NO CHANGE**. The 127<sup>th</sup> Selfridge Security Forces Squadron has concerns about security issues expressed by Vulnerability Assessment Inspection inspectors as it relates to the Museum and the operations of the Michigan Transit Museum (MTM). The Wing Commander shares these concerns and, at a special meeting on 13 November 2008, the following was decided: (1) the MTM will not be allowed recurring access to the Base during their November/December Polar Express event but Security will open the west train gate for the initial departure and final return. This is not an issue for the Museum as they do not stop at the Museum for this event. (2) Security Forces will examine the possibility of the MTM and the Museum cost-sharing a Security Officer to vet train passengers before boarding, accompany the train during its operation on and off base, and open/close the west Train Gate for their normal summer schedule. (3) Security Forces will review the MOA between the MTM and the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing for required changes. (4) Lt Col Crawford and Lt Col Ward (the Base Civil Engineer) will be examining the option of fencing the Museum area such that it is "outside" the Base. If the MTM can no longer operate their June thru October train rides to the Museum, we anticipate a 20% reduction in the number of guests that visit the Museum and the consequent loss of income from those guests. If the Museum can be sequestered from the Base, we anticipate an increase in the number of guests. Lt Col Nigro has requested a meeting with the Vulnerability Assessment inspectors to discuss options to allow the MTM operation to continue. This inspection/meeting has been scheduled for October 2009. The MTM will not be permitted to bring guests to the Museum during their 2009 season and if the security issues cannot be resolved at the October meeting, MTM operations to the Museum will cease. **OPEN** (Nigro/Crawford)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Recommendation for Board Membership** (Nigro): Col John Theisen was a member of our Board of Directors as a consequence of his assignment as the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing's Historical Property Custodian (HPC), a designation required by the National Museum of the USAF and one that must be held by an active status member of the military. Col Theisen has retired from the military, accepted a position with a private company, and can no longer serve as a member of our Board of Directors. The Wing Commander has designated the new 127<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Group Commander, Lt Col Greg Holzhei, as the new HPC. Lt Col Nigro recommended that Lt Col Holzhei be nominated and approved as a new member of our Board of Directors. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Maj Gen Pochmara to approve Lt Col Nigro's recommendation. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **CLOSED**

**A-10/C-130E for Air Park** (Nigro): Moving the 110<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing's A-10 from Battle Creek to Selfridge is on hold pending resolution of disassembly and transportation issues and a C-130E is scheduled to arrive at Selfridge in August 2009. Once the C-130E has arrived, demilitarization and "save list" actions will be provided by a combination of Museum volunteers, retired members of the MI ANG, and the 191<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Squadron. **OPEN** (Nigro)

**Membership Report** (Nigro): Lt Col Nigro presented the yearly attendance report required by Article III, Section 3 of our By-Laws. After discussion, a motion was made by Maj Gen Pochmara and seconded by Maj Gen Bartholomew to have Lt Col Nigro approach select Board members on their willingness/ability to continue functioning as a Board member and to report back to the Board at the 9 July meeting on the results of that inquiry. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved. **OPEN** (Nigro).

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Gompers and seconded by Lt Col Veara to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 pm. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted  
Lt Col Louis J. Nigro, Executive Director

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Thursday, July 9, 2009, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, September 10, 2009, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, November 12, 2009, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, January 14, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, March 11, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, May 13, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, July 8, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, September 9, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room  
Thursday, November 11, 2010, 2:00 pm, Air Museum Multi-Purpose Room

# Michigan Air Guard Historical Association / 127<sup>th</sup> Wing

## 2009 Golf Outing and Reunion

Friday, 26 June 2009  
10:00 am Shotgun Start  
Best Ball Scramble Rules  
at



\$80.00 per person for reservations NLT 15 June  
\$85.00 per person for reservations after 15 June  
\$35.00 per person for dinner only

### *INCLUDES:*

- 18 Holes of golf and golf cart  
(2 carts per team of 4)
- Four persons per team
- Beer/soft drinks on the course during play
- Hot dog/chips/soft drinks at the turn
- Door prizes
- Free range balls available at 9:00 a.m.
- Dinner & cash bar @ 3:30 pm
- 50/50 drawing: \$2.00 per ticket or 6 for \$10.00
- Special display (weather permitting)

### AWARDS

- Lowest Team Score (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places)
- Highest Team Score
- Closest to the Pin, Hole 11
- Longest Drive, Hole 15
- Straightest Line, Hole 5

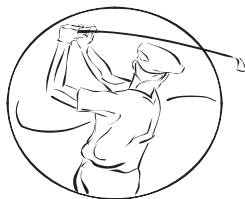
To encourage competition and to give everyone a chance to win, handicaps will be assigned based on gender and the average age of the team.

Make Your Reservations Early  
Space is Limited

## *Reserve by 22 June*

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# Michigan Air Guard Historical Association/127<sup>th</sup> Wing

## Golf Outing and Reunion

### Sign-Up Information

### *Reserve by 22 June 2009*

- 4 Person teams (at least two current or former Air Guardsmen/spouse per team)
- Single registrations will be grouped into teams
- Tax-deductible hole sponsorships available (\$100.00...max of 4 names on sign)
  - Each sponsor gets one free 50/50 ticket and a one stroke deduction for putting on their sponsored hole
- Make checks payable to: MAGHA
- To reserve your space, or if you have any questions,

**Contact:** Lt Col Lou Nigro 27333 C Street, Bldg 1011  
Selfridge Military Air Museum Selfridge ANG Base, MI 48045  
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*For those of you unable to attend who still wish to donate to the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association and/or the Selfridge Military Air Museum, please contact Lt Col Lou Nigro. Your donations are tax deductible and very much appreciated.*

- I regretfully cannot attend but have sent the enclosed donation for \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- I will be attending the reunion and dinner only and have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- I will be attending the golf outing and have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age on 26 Jun 08 \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age on 26 Jun 08 \_\_\_\_\_

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Age on 26 Jun 08 \_\_\_\_\_

Please list a point of contact for each team

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_