



GROUND ORDNANCE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION

GOMA Meeting Minutes (11 March 2020)

Meeting opened at 1900 (EST)

Other members present: Ben Hoffmeier

Officers Present:

Chair	Charles Bushnell
Vice	Mike Lewis
Secretary	Jerod Murphy
Treasurer	Not Available
Prior Chair	Dave Tift
Membership Chair	Joe Bering

OPENING

Chairman opened the meeting and greeted all who dialed in stating we have a lot to discuss tonight and would like for everyone to try to stay on track as best as possible. Chairman discussed parliamentary procedures and stressed that we need to do a better job at sticking to them in terms of tabling items for votes and recording responses.

PAST MINUTES

February meeting minutes tabled for a vote to accept them as written, all in favor.

TREASURER BUSINESS

February TREASURY REPORT (1-29 February 2020)

- **Beginning Total GOMA Monetary Assets: \$13,414.24**
- Beginning Balance Checking: \$13,245.77
- Expenses: \$508.49
- Income: \$192.76
 - Dividend \$.53
 - Deposit \$192.76
- Ending Balance Checking: \$12,930.04
- Savings Balance: \$5.21
- PayPal Balance: \$86.49
 - Carry Over from December: \$163.26
 - 2/1/20 Timothy Austin membership \$30.00 Fee \$1.17 Net \$28.83
 - 2/5/20 Transfer from PayPal to Checking acct -\$192.09
 - 2/8/20 Steven Marshall membership \$30.00 Fee \$1.17 Net \$28.83
 - 2/19/20 Michael Dahlkamp membership \$30.00 Fee \$1.17 Net \$28.83
 - 2/26/20 RA Knuth membership \$30.00 Fee \$1.17 Net \$28.83
- **Total GOMA Monetary Assets: \$13,021.74**

Mike Lewis tabled a motion to accept the treasury report and Dave Tift seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Mike Lewis briefed the tax situation. Bob Ross is a CPA who is lending his experience to the GOMA in matters relating to past taxes. He has briefed that previous tax filings were unnecessary because the Association hasn't bought or sold anything of value. Charles Bushnell tabled a motion to move forward with the 501c3 process based on this new information, Mike Lewis seconded the motion, and the motion was carried with all in favor. The process will begin in June. Our EIN is still active and in good standing.

Charles Bushnell briefed that the lapel pins/coins have been purchased (150 each) and that he was in the process of shipping them out to membership.



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MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS

Total membership number: 383
Plank holders: 32 (14 signed in/ 18 inactive) 4 more active this month
Lifetime: 66 (33 signed in/ 33 inactive) 23 more active this month
Annual members: 281
-Active (paid/current status) 17 (gain of 2)
-Honorary Active (current status) 55 (loss of 5)
-In-active (not paid/expired) 209
Inactive/retired accounts: 4

New paid annual members:
GySgt Richard Knuth (retired)
Cpl Harlan Schmaltz (Ordnance Shoot Winner)

New Honor grads (annual):
None

OTHER BUSINESS

- GOMAG is scheduled for 1-5 June at Fort Lee (unsure if this will remain unaffected by fake zombie apocalypse).
Motion tabled by Jerod Murphy on the purchase of Plaques for the 4 winners in their respective categories, seconded by Mike Lewis, motion carried all in favor. Plaques will be shipped to Major Doug Mayorga at Fort Lee.

Maint Officer of the Year CWO2 Matt C. Rogers

Maint SNCO of the Year SSgt Joshua A. Martin

Maint NCO of the Year Sgt Tiffany N. Luther

Maint Marine of the Year LCpl Austin J. Baker

-Mike Lewis tabled a motion for the purchase of dinners for the 4 award recipients as well as the guest speaker, seconded by Jerod Murphy, motion carried all in favor.

-Jerod Murphy tabled a motion for the travel expenses being paid by the GOMA for the GOMA officer that attends the GOMAG as the representative of the GOMA. Motion was seconded by Mike Lewis, motion carried all in favor. This expenditure is in the event that we have no association officer within close proximity to the event. The officer selected to attend does not have to accept the travel payment, but it will be available in the event that it is necessary.

-MGunZ Sweeney RET is moving forward on updating our social media footprint, having already linked the (2) Facebook GOMA pages. There was some discussion on page vs group and will ultimately need further discussion in order to determine which is more advantageous.

-Mike Lewis discussed the newsletter forthcoming. He will send out the draft to all in order to get feedback on the format and style. 31 March is the deadline for all feedback to Mike Lewis in order for him to finalize the 1st newsletter. The initial format will likely be digital with a potential for printed copies to be sent to some members at a later date. April 15 is the potential launch date of the 1st GOMA newsletter.



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-Tarl was given kudos for the work he has been doing on the website. He continues to sink a lot of his personal time into the website to ensure we have the best website possible.

-April 9th Major Oldroyd is putting together a GOMA members dinner at the Carolina Ale house. This event will likely be canceled with the most recent changes to social distancing directives.

-April 21st LtCol Jim Towney RET has a Golf Tournament planned ISO I MEF. This event may also require cancellation due to COVID-19 restrictions.

-The newsletter is still in need of input from any/all members, any material can be sent to Mike Lewis at vicechairman@usmcgoma.org or lewisms460@gmail.com He can also be contacted by phone at (760) 505-3865. All are encouraged to send anything to him that you might find useful for all Ordnance Marines to include non-political tasteful comics, job postings, MOS inputs etc. The sky is the limit!

- MISSION AND PURPOSE STATEMENTS – This information will once again be sent out to all membership asking for input on the monthly Chairman email. If no input is received, the Chairman recommended that we table this for now. No one disagreed.

-The next monthly meeting will be on the **8th of April at 1900 EST**. Dial in number is 848-220-3300 access code 306434 information will also be posted as an event on Facebook.

-**Reminder to membership** – all members are invited and encouraged to dial in to the monthly meetings. This seems to be getting more traction and as a community, we want to make sure that all ordnance Maines voices are heard. Please mark your calendars and join in to make the GOMA the best it can be
Meeting closed at 2022 (EST)

