



MFA Board Minutes
18 August 2022, 1:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by Holly Talley at 1:06 pm at the LA Department of Veterans Affairs in Baton Rouge.

The following board members were in attendance:

- Dustin Guy
- Sulanda Lonnette
- Dennis Andras
- LTC Ebony Carter
- William Tilley
- Sen. Gerald Boudreaux
- Rep. Raymond Crews
- Mike Cushman
- Homer Rodgers
- Roland Doucet

Non-board members present included:

- Holly Talley, Third Party Administrator

The board confirmed that a quorum was present and the meeting continued.

The minutes from the July 21, 2022 meeting of the Board were reviewed. Roland Doucet made a motion to accept the minutes. Dennis Andras seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

Holly Talley presented the fund balance report to discuss where the MFA Fund currently stands. Sen. Boudreaux made a motion to accept the balance report, Dennis Andras seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

The following applications were then considered by the Board:

1. SKEL 0922_2 requesting \$7,938.36. Sen. Boudreaux made a motion to approve the application for \$8,324.25 for assistance with amounts verified as owed currently and assistance with 2 additional months of payments for service member's mortgage, truck payment, utilities, etc. Dennis Andras seconded the motion. The application was approved without objection.
2. ASAN 0722 requesting \$6,461.53. Sen Boudreaux made a motion to approve the application for \$2,388.21 for delinquent car payment and utilities. Recommendation also made for Veteran to seek financial counseling. Roland Doucet seconded the motion. The application was approved without objection.
3. TTRA 0822_2 requesting \$6,234.66. Homer Rodgers made a motion to approve the application for \$6,497.18 for vehicle repairs, school supply/uniform assistance and delinquent car payment. Recommendation also made for Veteran to seek financial counseling. Sen. Boudreaux seconded the motion. The application was approved without objection.
4. AMAN 0722 requesting \$4,500. Sen Boudreaux made a motion to table the application. The veteran must pay September rent in full, pay her current months utilities in full and make additional payments where possible towards past due balances, in order for her application to be considered at the next board meeting. Monthly income is sufficient to cover all household expenses. Also, recommendation made for Veteran to seek financial counseling and resources for local support groups. A list of resources will be provided to veteran for her area. LTC Carter seconded the motion. The application was tabled without objection.

A motion was made to adjourn by Dennis Andras and seconded by Dustin Guy. It passed without objection. The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 pm.