

MFA Board Minutes

January 15, 2019, 2:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Holly Talley at 2:01 pm.

The following board members were in attendance:

- Joey Strickland
- Homer Rodgers
- Ruth Wisher
- Sammy Guillory
- Sulanda Lonnette

- Billy Robbins
- Jona Hughes
- Raymond Crews
- Jim Fannin
- Dennis Andras

Non-board members present included:

- Holly Talley, Third Party Administrator
- Julie Baxter-Payer, LDVA Executive Counsel

Guests:

- Roland Doucet, Guest (Incoming MFA Board Member, *Pending Governor's Appt.*)
- Barry Dusse, Division of Administration

The board confirmed that a quorum was present and the meeting continued with the pledge and a moment of silent reflection/prayer.

Chairman Joey Strickland welcomed the new members of the MFA Board and gave each member the opportunity to introduce themselves.

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Dennis Andras made a motion to accept the minutes, Sammy Guillory seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

Holly Talley reviewed MFA Fund Committee actions since the last board meeting. Homer Rodgers made a motion to accept the report, Billy Robbins seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

Holly Talley presented the fund balance report to discuss where the MFA Fund currently stands regarding the remaining spending authority for FY2019. Dennis Andras made a motion to accept the balance report, Joey Strickland seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

Barry Dusse from the Division of Administration provided an update on the status of the MFA Fund's BA7 request to the JLCB for additional spending authority this fiscal year.



Board members discussed the status of the remaining spending authority and the commitment made to the LA Army National Guard to fund 3 pre-deployment bus trips home. A motion was made by Dennis Andras to suspend consideration of all need-based applications until additional funds (through additional appropriations) is available, due to the commitment made to LANG. Jona Hughes seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

The following applications were considered by the Board:

1) Louisiana Army National Guard. Total amount requested \$27,903.41. (State Aviation Command- Request for \$15,984.00; 225th EN EDE- Request for \$11,919.41). A motion was made by Homer Rodgers to approve the total amounts requested. Sammy Guillory seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

The following individual need-based applications were tabled by the Board due to lack of remaining funds for FY2019. A motion to table the 4 individual applications on the meeting's agenda was made by Dennis Andras, Raymond Crews seconded the motion, and it passed without objection.

- 1) SJAC 1282. Requested \$3500.00
- 2) DRUS 1118. Requested \$9,199.83
- 3) JHUD 0119. Requested \$9,931.¹⁵
- 4) LMOS 0109. Requested \$10,000.00

A motion was made to adjourn by Billy Robbins, and seconded by Dennis Andras. It passed without objection. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.