

Minnreg 2023 Board Meeting Minutes December 13, 2023

Six (6) 2023 Board members were in attendance: John Bowers (Chairman), Tom Conner, Thom Dupper, Terry Miller, Vivian O'Dell (Recording Secretary), and George Suther, Treasurer.

Three (3) Advisory Board Members: Jerry Dangler, John Voissem, and Mark Wolf.

Six (6) New Board Members: John Bowers, Mary Reffelt, John Schiffgen, Gerry Sturm, Gene Ward, and Mark Wolf.

The board meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Minnreg Chairman, John Bowers.

Minutes of Previous Board Meeting

The minutes of the Board meeting held on September 13, 2023, were emailed to all Board members by Minnreg Recording Secretary, Vivian O'Dell, on December 3, 2023.

Tom Conner made a motion to accept the Board minutes. Seconded by Mark Wolf. All approved.

Treasurer's Report – George Suther presented the financial reports. They were reviewed and questions were answered.

A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Mark Wolf, seconded by Tom Conner. All approved.

Old Business

Sam Janofsky was not in attendance to give a review of our investments. It was suggested that we invite to our February Board Meeting Tony Kowalski from GTE Financials and Brian Raymond Shade from Prime America to give us updates.

New Business

We will have four (4) Board Meetings during the 2024 year.

At the February Board Meeting, we will need to elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Legal Secretary.

2024 Election Results

John Bowers explained the election results and subsequent change in the following email dated 12/11/23:

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New Business - continued

There will be a change to the MVA Board constituency in 2024, due to the disqualification of Clive Bailey for not meeting the 5-year work requirement at Honeywell (as per our MVA By-Laws).

ELECTED FOR TWO (2) YEAR TERMS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
Mark Wolf	78
John Bowers	77
Mary Reffelt	72
John Schiffgen	50

ELECTED FOR ONE (1) YEAR TERM:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
Gene Ward	46
Gerry Sturm	38

Not receiving an elected position was Bryan Martinez with 34 votes.

Along with Tom Conner, Terry Miller and Al Shields, this makes up the nine (9) Board members for 2024.

John Bowers
2023 MVA Chairman of the Board

P.S. we will generate an article for the next newsletter explaining the vote change to the membership.

For 2024, the Board made the decision to retire the Advisory Council division of the Board of Directors. This Council was needed during the transition but is no longer needed. John thanked all the previous members of the Council for their advice and support.

2024 MVA Budget

Thom Dupper, MVA President, gave the 2024 budget presentation. There was discussion, review and questions were answered. **Tom Conner made a motion to accept the proposed budget. Second by Mark Wolf. All approved.**

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Additional New Business

Sam Janofsky left the position of VP of Finance. It was asked if we could form a committee to determine the need for this position. Suggested committee members were Terry Miller, Gene Ward, Mark Wolf, and Gerry Sturm. This committee could take the place of the position of VP of Finance. Gerry Sturm asked to be the head of this committee.

John Bowers will have a firm motion to present to the Board at the February meeting.

George Suther asked if the MVA organization has a mission statement and where can that be found. Discussion ensued and it was suggested that we work on this and also do an annual report which would highlight our accomplishments during the previous year.

For the Good of the Board – A brief orientation for the new board members will be held immediately following this meeting.

Adjourn – A motion to adjourn at 6:05 pm was made by Mark Wolf and seconded by Tom Conner. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivian O'Dell, MVA Recording Secretary

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Minnreg Veterans Association (MVA) Addendum

to Minutes of the 13 December 2023 Board of Directors Meeting

This addendum to the 13 December 2023 Minutes is written to document changes required to account ownership designation with respect to the following Minnreg Veterans Association GTE Financial accounts and to update GTE Debit Card Holders:

FROM:

GTE Checking Acct # 8435821497

- John Bowers, Chairman of the Board of Directors
- Thom Dupper, President
- Al Shields, Executive Vice President
- David Hewitt, Office Mgr
- George Suther, Treasurer

GTE Savings (New Bsn High Yield One) # 8435821851

- John Bowers Chairman of the Board of Directors
- Thom Dupper, President
- Al Shields, Executive Vice President
- David Hewitt, Office Mgr
- George Suther, Treasurer

GTE Net Square # 8435821893

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TO:

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- George Suther, Treasurer

GTE Debit Cards

FROM:

- Betty Held, Treasurer (Prior)
- George Suther, Current Treasurer
- Thom Dupper, President
- John Bowers, Chairman of the Board
- Al Shields, Executive Vice President
- David Hewitt, Office Mgr
- Wendy Huger, VP Member Activities

TO:

- George Suther, Treasurer (Current)
- Thom Dupper, President
- John Bowers, Chairman of the Board
- Al Shields, Executive Vice President
- David Hewitt, Office Mgr
- Wendy Huger, VP Member Activities