

**Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS)
Auxiliary**

**Executive Council (EC) Meeting
President's Suite, 1504, Marriott Hotel, Little Rock, Arkansas
Monday, August 08, 2022**

Continental Breakfast—Immediate Past President Connie Myers (MS) and President Angela Kennebeck (IA) served a selection of muffins, sweets, cheeses, etc. Secretary Vivian Taylor (MS) had provided a platter of home baked peanut butter cookies and zucchini, oats, chocolate chips, walnut cookies.

Call to Order and Welcome—President Angela Kennebeck (IA) called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. and welcomed Executive Council members.

Invocation—Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY) led in prayer.

Roll Call—Secretary Vivian Taylor (MS) called the roll:

Officers

President Angela Kennebeck (IA)

Secretary Vivian Taylor (MS)

Immediate Past President Connie Myers (MS)

Vice President Margie Holcomb (VA)

Treasurer Debra Campbell (OK)

Area Directors

Area II Director Gretchen Gipe (KY)

Area III Director Pam Adams (AL)

Area IV Director Judith Putman (KS)

Area V Director Edna Steinberg (SD)

Area VI Director Richard Bryant (NM)

Area II Director Cathy Hammack (WV)

Area III Director Stella Cameron (SC)

Appointees

Parliamentarian Rhonda Gorrell (NM)

Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY)

Photographer & Sergeant at Arms Kristi Taylor (AL)

Other Attendees

Sheila Bandy (KY), Past President and Conference Coordinator

Judy Wood (AL), Past President and Conference Meals Coordinator

Mary Gallegos (NM), Finance Committee Chair (joined the EC Meeting after Finance Committee adjourned)

Cathy Berry (WI)

Jenny Lainhart (KY), Past President

Andrea Holt (KS), Kansas Auxiliary Treasurer

Michele Johnson (PA), Pennsylvania Auxiliary President

Minutes from 2021 EC Meetings

Area IV Director Judith Putman (KS) moved the minutes from the EC Meetings on August 09, 2021 and August 11, 2021 be approved as published. Immediate Past President Connie Myers (MS) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

- ✓ EANGUS Auxiliary Handbook—Vice President Margie Holcomb (VA) noted that the Handbook was almost completed. She had sent the table of contents, introduction and purpose, and welcome to the Officers for input. Secretary Taylor had offered some changes for consistency and for sentence structure. Vice President Holcomb read two options provided in the introduction and purpose. Consensus was to use option 1.

New Business

- ✓ Discussion of mandatory scholarship donations as related to life members in dormant states.
- ✓ Discussion on possible need for updating the EANGUS Auxiliary Constitution.
- ✓ Discussion on Area Directors—how many were needed in Areas with only two active State Auxiliaries; whether it would be possible/feasible for Areas to combine.
- ✓ Tenure of Officers and Area Directors.

- ✓ Date of membership—anniversary or December 31.
- ✓ Chair Richard Bryant (NM) reported that the Constitution Committee had discussed each of the issues and would be working on possible updates which would be posted in *The Signal* for membership involvement in the process.

Conference Update—Conference Coordinator Sheila Bandy (KY) reminded members that Monday night was a free night but was also the Junior Enlisted event at the Hall. There would be food trucks and fun activities and members were invited to attend to support the Junior Enlisted. Donations would be received for EANGUS “*We Care for America*” Foundation, Inc. Attendees were encouraged to wear neon colors. Buses would run at 5:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Report—Chair Mary Gallegos (NM) reported that the Finance Committee had met on August 08, 2022 from 8:00-10:15 a.m. and reviewed the financial records which were found to be in order. The Committee had been provided with an EANGUS Auxiliary proposed budget from the EANGUS Auxiliary President; the Finance Committee recommended some changes. There was discussion in the EC meeting and the budget was amended by the EC. Immediate Past President Connie Myers (MS) moved that the proposed budget be accepted as presented with verbal amendments; Area III Director Pam Adams (AL) seconded the motion. Motion carried. That budget would be presented at the general session on Tuesday, August 09, 2022. [The budget, as amended by the EC, is printed below.]

Proposed budget, as amended

| | | |
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| Income | | |
| Donations | | |
| Philanthropic | | \$ 500.00 |
| Scholarship Donations from States and Individual(s) | | \$ 1,500.00 |
| Scholarship provided by USAA | | <u>\$ 3,000.00</u> |
| Total Donations | | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Program Income | | |
| Life Member Dues | | \$ 1,400.00 |
| Membership Dues | | <u>\$ 2,000.00</u> |
| Total Program Income | | \$ 3,400.00 |
| Uncategorized Income | | 0.00 |
| Ways and Means | | |
| Fundraisers | | \$ 1,500.00 |
| Silent Auction | | <u>\$ 4,000.00</u> |
| Total Ways and Means | | <u>\$ 5,500.00</u> |
| Total Income | | \$13,900.00 |

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| Expense | | |
| Awards Committee | | \$ 350.00 |
| Burden Bears | | \$ 50.00 |
| Chaplain | | \$ 50.00 |
| Conference | | \$ 0.00 |
| Conference Book | | \$ 0.00 |
| Conference Coordinator | | \$ 500.00 |
| Conference Registration (19 X \$150.00) | | \$ 2,850.00 |
| Credentials and Rules | | \$ 0.00 |
| EANGUS “ <i>We Care for America</i> ” Foundation, Inc. | | \$ 0.00 |
| Executive Council Expenses | | |
| Area Directors—Area I | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area II | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area III | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area IV | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area V | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area VI | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Area Directors—Area VII | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Officers | | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Parliamentarian | | <u>\$ 500.00</u> |
| Total Executive Council Expenses | | \$11,500.00 |
| First Timers Meeting | | \$ 0.00 |
| Legislative Committee | | \$ 50.00 |
| Membership Expense | | |
| Life Membership Cards | | \$ 75.00 |
| Membership Committee | | <u>\$ 0.00</u> |
| Total Membership Expense | | \$ 75.00 |
| Memorials | | \$ 0.00 |

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| Operations | | |
| Books, Subscriptions, Reference | \$ | 500.00 |
| Computer Software | \$ | 500.00 |
| Postage, Mailing Service | \$ | 50.00 |
| Printing and Copying | \$ | 50.00 |
| Supplies | \$ | <u>50.00</u> |
| Total Operations | | \$ 1,150.00 |
| Past Presidents' Social | \$ | 200.00 |
| Philanthropic Committee | \$ | 500.00 |
| Scholarship—Auxiliary | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| Scholarship—USAA | \$ | 3,000.00 |
| Scholarship Committee | \$ | 25.00 |
| Uncategorized Expenses | \$ | 0.00 |
| Ways and Means | | |
| Fundraisers | \$ | 0.00 |
| Silent Auction | \$ | <u>0.00</u> |
| Total Ways and Means | | \$ 0.00 |
| Total Expenses | | <u>\$21,800.00</u> |
| | | <u>-\$ 7,900.00</u> |

Dues Increase—The Finance Committee had recommended a dues increase to provide additional funding for the Scholarship Fund. A friendly amendment to the recommendation was offered by Treasurer Debra Campbell (OK): that the EC recommend to the body that the two dollars (\$2.00) mandatory scholarship donation per member be removed and that the membership dues be raised to ten dollars (\$10.00) with three dollars (\$3.00) of that amount going to the Scholarship Fund. Area III Director Stella Cameron (SC) seconded that amendment. The recommendation was approved. There was discussion with both pros and cons noted. Treasurer Campbell stated that she did not expect the body would vote to increase dues as that would take 100% of the membership to approve the recommendation. She further noted that she did think that it was important to discuss the possible increase. Some states expressed the need to return to their states and discuss the possible dues increase with their state membership.

Meals—President Kennebeck (IA) expressed appreciation to Past President and Conference Meals Coordinator Judy Wood (AL). Judy shared that United States Automobile Association (USAA) and Air Force Enlisted Village (AFEV) would provide the Continental Breakfasts on Tuesday and Wednesday. She encouraged members to stop by the USAA and AFEV booths in the exhibit hall and thank those organizations.

Thanks to EC—President Kennebeck (IA) offered her thanks to the EC for working alongside her during her tenure as EANGUS Auxiliary President.

Benediction—Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY) led in the benedictory prayer.

Adjournment—Immediate Past President Connie Myers (MS) moved that the meeting adjourn. Area III Director Pam Adams (AL) seconded motion. Motion carried.

President Angela Kennebeck (IA) adjourned the meeting at 12:38 p.m.

Vivian D. Taylor

Vivian Dean Taylor (MS), Secretary
2018-2022

**Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS)
Auxiliary**

**Executive Council (EC) Meeting
President's Suite, Marriott Hotel, Little Rock, Arkansas
Wednesday, August 10, 2022**

Lunch—Past President Connie Myers (MS) and Outgoing President Angela Kennebeck (IA) served a selection of lunch meats, cheeses, bread, condiments, chips, cookies, and beverages.

Call to Order and Welcome—President Margie Holcomb (VA) called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. and welcomed Executive Council members.

Invocation—Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY) led in prayer.

Welcome to New Executive Council (EC) Members—President Holcomb (VA) welcomed new-to-the-EC members: Pam Brown (TN), Area III; Andrea Holt (KS), Area IV.

Roll Call—Secretary Vivian Taylor (MS) called the roll:

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Area IV Director Andrea Holt (KS)

Area V Director Cathy Berry (WI/MN)

Area VI Director Linda Lyon (WY)

Appointees

Parliamentarian Rhonda Gorrell (NM)

Chaplain Sheila Brookins (KY)

Other Attendees

Sheila Bandy (KY), Past President and Conference Coordinator

Judy Wood (AL), Past President and Conference Meals Coordinator

Jenny Lainhart (KY), Past President

Connie Myers (MS), Past President

Unfinished Business—There was no unfinished business.

New Business

✓ **Committee Chairs/Appointees Assignments:**

- Awards—Debra Campbell (OK)
- Burden Bears—Edna Steinberg (SD)
- Chaplain—Shelia Brookins (KY) President Holcomb asked members to directly correspond with Chaplain Brookins whenever they knew of deaths so that Chaplain Brookins could sign respective on-line guest books on behalf of the EANGUS Auxiliary. Members should also inform Chaplain Brookins when there were member illnesses or other stresses.
- Conference Coordinator and Webmaster—Sheila Bandy (KY)
- Conference Meals—Judy Wood (AL)
- Constitution—Richard Bryant (NM)
- Credentials/Rules—Pam Adams (AL); Assistant, Connie Myers (MS)
- Family Affairs and Scholarship—Liz Bryant (NM)
- History, Life Membership, and Public Relations—Vivian Taylor (MS)
- Membership—Judith Putman (KS)
- Nominations—Judy Wood (AL); Connie Myers (MS)
- Parliamentarian—Rhonda Gorrell (NM)
- Philanthropic—Carol Benda (MN); Thomas McKinnie (GA) [President Holcomb would check with Mrs. Benda on whether she would like to continue to serve.]
- Resolutions—Kim Clay (LA)
- Silent Auction—Leanna Veazey (AR)

✓ **Volunteer Forms/Committee Appointments**—President Holcomb (VA) would review all volunteer forms and make additional Committee appointments from among those individuals who had completed forms.

✓ **Signers on EANGUS Auxiliary Accounts**—It was the consensus of the EC that President Margie V. Holcomb (VA), Secretary Vivian D. Taylor (MS), and Treasurer Debra J. Campbell (OK) would be the authorized signers on the EANGUS Auxiliary accounts at Bank of America. Each check would require two (2) signatures. This would continue the practice of the past several years. During the EC meeting, the authorized signers completed the appropriate paperwork and signed the forms; this was witnessed by Naomi Fletcher, notary public, Arkansas, Pulaski County, #12361072. The change on authorized

signers was the removal of Immediate Past President Angela Kennebeck (IA) and the addition of President Margie V. Holcomb (VA).

- ✓ **Vouchers**—Vouchers would be due to the President not later than September 30, 2022.
- ✓ **Addressing Individuals**—President Holcomb (VA) cautioned members to be careful in the way they addressed each other and other members.
- ✓ **Officer Assignments**
 - The President would work with Area Directors and the Vice President would work with Committees.
 - In November contact would be made with Constitution Chair Richard Bryant (NM), Conference Coordinator Sheila Bandy (KY), and Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY).
 - In January Treasurer Campbell (OK) and Scholarship Chair Liz Bryant (NM) would be contacted and a Zoom Meeting would be held by the President and Vice President with the Area Directors and Committee Chairs.
 - In February/March the President intended to provide a draft agenda. Roxanna “Roxie” Barwick (WI) had suggestions on the layout of the agenda which would make it easier to change/correct in future years.
 - In April a Zoom Meeting would be held with the EC to review After Action Reports.
- ✓ **Communication**—President Holcomb (VA) stressed the importance of communication, to include Past Presidents. Area Directors should always respond to emails.
- ✓ **Membership**—Chaplain Brookins (KY) suggested that state level Military Spouse of the Year winners be invited to the EANGUS Auxiliary Conference to learn about the EANGUS Auxiliary and to encourage their membership in the Auxiliary.
- ✓ **Newsletter Awards**—It was announced in the EANGUS meeting that *The Dogwood Blossom*, the Virginia Auxiliary newsletter, had been awarded first place in the EANGUS publications contest in the state Auxiliary newsletters category. *Mississippi Strong*, the Mississippi Auxiliary newsletter, had been awarded second place in that category. [The EANGUS Auxiliary Secretary attached the EANGUS Awards Committee report which listed *Mississippi Strong* as first place in Category Six, State Auxiliary Newsletter. Category Seven, EANGUS Area Auxiliary Newsletter winner was listed as Area II Newsletter and in Category Twelve, Special Recognition, the winner was listed as *The Signal* Auxiliary newsletter.]
- ✓ **EANGUS Officers Elected**—Dan Reilly (CT), President; Bob Sweeney (WA), Vice President; Mireya Cruz (TX), Secretary; Steve Hagan (MT), Treasurer.
- ✓ **Corrected email** for Director Cathy Berry (WI/MN) —berrycm67@gmail.com.

Benediction—Chaplain Shelia Brookins (KY) led in the benedictory prayer.

Adjournment—President Margie Holcomb (VA) adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Vivian D. Taylor

Vivian Dean Taylor (MS), Secretary
2022-2024



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9 August 2022
TO: EANGUS Membership
FROM: Chair, Awards Committee
SUBJECT: Special Committee on Publications and EANGUS Awards Committee Report

1. The Special Publications Committee reviewed all category submissions for publication awards, the following were selected as award winners:
 - a. CATEGORY ONE (Commercial Entry) Bucky's Bulletin, Wisconsin Enlisted Guard Association
 - b. CATEGORY TWO (Semi-Commercial Entry) "THE VOICE", Ohio Enlisted Association.
 - c. CATEGORY THREE no entries.
 - d. CATEGORY FOUR (Combined Associations Entry): "NGAT News" of Texas National Guard Association
 - e. CATEGORY FIVE (Area): No entries
 - f. CATEGORY SIX (State Auxiliary Newsletter) "Mississippi Strong" of Mississippi Auxiliary
 - g. CATEGORY SEVEN (EANGUS Area Auxiliary Newsletter) Area II Newsletter
 - h. CATEGORY EIGHT (Non-Commercial Web Site) Michigan Web-Site, www.ngam.org
 - i. CATEGORY NINE (Commercial Web Site): Texas Web-Site, www.ngat.org
 - j. CATEGORY TEN (State Promotional Items): California, CAL-EANGUS
 - k. CATEGORY ELEVEN (No Entry)
 - l. CATEGORY TWELVE (Special Recognition): "The Signal", Auxiliary Newsletter presented to Angela and Dean Kennebeck, Co-editors.

1. I'll now transition into the Award Committee Report. The EANGUS Awards committee met on 9 Aug 2022 from 1530-1614 with 9 members in attendance. Items that were discussed were SOP changes, lack of nomination submissions, recommendations on how to improve submissions for next year, and recommendations to improve recognition on future award nominees and special recognition to legacy Minuteman Awardees. It was also recommended to add a Jr Enlisted Specific Award. The committee received and reviewed 16 award nominations this year, One from Area 1, Two from Area II, Five from Area III, One from Area IV, One from Area V, One from Area VI, Two from Area VII.
2. The following were selected as award winners:

- a. Meritorious Service Award recipients: MSgt Johnathon Wilson, CMSgt Retired Rosemarie Marston, SFC Taaka Wilson
- b. Distinguished service recipients: CMSgt Retired Robert Barnette, SMSgt Retired Charles Kasin, CSM Retired Robert Sweeney, CSM Retired Don Wood

The remaining awards will be presented this evening at the All-States Banquet.

Madame President this report is for informational purposes and I request that it be filed.

SMSgt Celia Alosi EANGUS Awards Chair