



2025 Midterm Meeting

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16 August 2025

0845 President GinaMarie Doherty called the Midterm meeting to order.

Attendance in person: President GinaMarie Doherty, Vice President for Finance Maura Mooney, Regional Representative #10 Patty Parks, Regional Representative #5 Monica O'Hara, Regional Representative #2 Pat Hutchinson.

Attendance via zoom: National Secretary Karen Warren, Vice President for Membership Debbie Crutchfield, Vice President for Units Beth Wingfield, Regional Representative #9 Michele Batliner, Regional Representative #6 Kathleen Vanmiddlesworth, Regional Representative #1 Lynne Pine, Regional Representative #11 Jennifer Baun, Regional Representative #13 Sheri Carrington.

Excused: Regional Representative #8 Denise Duke.

Absent: Regional Representatives #3 Martha Alderman, #4 Rose Cooper, #7 Erika Westbrook, #12 Terri Cook.

President led the meeting with the **Pledge of Allegiance** and a Moment of Silence.

Motion was made by Patty Parks, 2nd by Jennifer Baun to accept the 2024 National Convention Minutes, motion carried.

Midterm Reports.

(1) **No reports from Regions #2, #4, #7, #9, #12.

(2) President and Vice President (VP) for Membership and VP for Finance provided verbal and paper reports. Membership continues to decline. We currently maintain 681 nationwide. VP for Membership is asking for our help.

(3) 2024 Convention Treasurer Monica O'Hara reported 53 attendees to the National Convention in Rhode Island. All accounts closed. Finance reconciliation was completed. Copies distributed to the BOD.



(4) President read the Supply Locker Officer report. Supply Locker Officer Linda Coffield donated \$1000 to the General Fund; will not be seeking reappointment next year. Lynne Pine has volunteered to serve as Supply Locker Officer next year and maintain Supply Locker online.

Unfinished Business:

(1) At the 2024 National Convention a recommendation was made to purchase stamps online at a reduced price. MWB Editor Patty Parks researched and learned some websites offer counterfeit stamps. Beware.

(2) MWB Editor asked for help in maintaining a proper database. All Unit Presidents and Regional Representatives are asked to verify unit members and Members at Large information held on the database.

1015 Meeting in recess for break

1040 Meeting reconvened

New Business:

(1) Past National President Patty Parks presented thoughts for the future..ie..do members see the benefit?..do we need to change dues, do we need to raise lifemember dues?..change scholarship amount? Everyone please think about presenting changes to the Bylaws now. Gina agreed to provide a draft list to Patty to present to the membership in the bulletin. Patty agreed to provide updated draft in return. Debbie agreed to present and followup with membership by 1 Dec 2025.

(2) 2026 Convention Update. 2026 Convention Chair Jennifer Baun provided a verbal report. Solid plans are in place for Put In Bay, Ohio. Transportation plans from airport to ferry landing in progress. Same fees and same schedule as last year in progress. Jennifer and Lynne will discuss. Jennifer will review PM for due dates of 2026 National Convention.

1145 Meeting in recess for lunch

1300 Meeting reconvened



Reports and New Business continued:

(3) VP for Units presented a verbal report. VP and her predecessor are working on a passdown. There are 4 Unit Charters missing. VP for Units is also looking for help.

(4) Monica O'Hara made a motion to combine Pres, all VPs x 3, Secretary, and Regional Representatives Midterm BOD travel allowance to equal \$1500, Lynne Pine 2nd, motion carried.

(5) Jennifer Baun made a motion to approve budget, Karen Warren 2nd, motion carried. VP for Finance will send new budget to the BOD.

(6) Regional Conferences. All are invited to attend, regardless of where you live. Please contact Lynne Pine and Patty Parks if you wish to attend. Announcements were made in the bulletin.

(7) MWAN Scholarship. BOD agreed, with Scholarship Chair concurrence, on new topic: FIGHTING FOR COUNTRY: TODAY'S MILITARY WOMAN.

(8) Nominating Committee Chair Monica O'Hara and her team will be searching for our new officers and asking current officers their intentions for 2026.

Good of the order: Several members provided reminders and announced upcoming events.

(1) VP for Finance asks that we review an application a few times before sending it to her to ensure it is legible.

(2) A suggestion was made to not sell shirts in the Supply Locker.

(3) Remember dues are OVERDUE on 1 January. Please pay dues early.

(4) Please use VP for Finance PO BOX, not her home address.

(5) Please ask members if they do not mind having their email visible before you send out their email address in a group email.

1530 Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Marie Doherty
President