

June 7, 2005

**Minutes of the June Board of Directors Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA**

**Call to Order:** The President called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1:21 PM, Thursday June 2, 2005 at American Legion Post #107.

**Members Present:** Dan Conway, John Gerometta, Bill Johnson, Jo Ann Thompson, Frank Birtciel, Velma Birtciel, Ron Green, Terry Tassin, Gary Fredricks, Jim Seidl

**Minutes:** The previously promulgated Minutes of the last Board of Directors meeting were approved.

**Officer/Committee Reports:**

**Legislative:** **Gary Fredricks** reported that the House of Representatives has approved the FY 2006 Defense Authorization Bill. MOAA requests the membership to urge our Senators to support three key amendments: Paid-up SBP coverage this October; ending the disability offset to military retired pay immediately for disabled veteran deemed “unemployable” by the VA; and extending permanent TRICARE eligibility to all member of the Selected Reserve.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Bill Johnson indicated the following status of fund accounts:

Checking:	\$ 5,016.37
50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary:	\$ 2,650.00
Scholarship:	<u>\$ 4,450.50</u>
Total Accounts:	\$12,116.87

**Membership:** **Dan Conway** reported that Davis Rohr has recruitment letters ready to send out but would like to have a current MOAA brochure to attach rather than use the old TROA brochure. After some discussion it was decided that we will create our own brochure if MOAA indicates that the new brochure will not be available for more than two months from now.

**Scholarship:** **Gary Fredricks** reported that **Ron Worthington** wished to continue as Chairman of this committee. Dan Conway reported that we must provide documentation of how the Scholarship Fund operates as a part of our filing with the IRS for 501(c)(3) status. He will use Chapter Operating Instruction #6 as that documentation. We will submit to the IRS in early July.

**JROTC Medals:** **Dan Conway** reported that he has appointed **Kathy Davis** to act as assistant to **Art Parker**.

**Programs:** **Jim Seidl** reported that he has been having trouble confirming Kent Dana for our June Luncheon. He has a standby speaker if Kent can not speak. He also reported that the McCormick Ranch Golf Club will increase the cost of our meals by \$0.25.

**Historian:** Everything is up to date on the web site except for the events of Memorial Day.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** The committee continues to work on the program and location.

**Old Business:**

**Open Positions:** No volunteer for the newsletter editor position.

**Veterans Hall of Fame:** Chuck Schluter reports that he will meet the deadline for submitting the applications.

**National Awards, Levels of Excellence:** Dan Conway distributed the documentation for the Level of Excellence Award, a copy of which will be appended to these minutes.

**New Business:**

**Council of Chapters: Dan Conway** reported that Luke AFB Retiree Day is tentatively set for November 5<sup>th</sup>, he proposes the following schedule:

Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> – Superstition Chapter Meeting

Monday November 7<sup>th</sup> – AZ Chapter General Meeting (evening)

Tuesday November 8<sup>th</sup> - Council of Chapters Meeting.

John Gerometta will contact Chaparral Inn Suites as a possible venue for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings.

**Oktoberfest:** Jim Seidl will ask the Golf Club to serve German food.

**December Meeting:** We will not have the traditional Silent Auction but **Dan Conway** will ask our major sponsors to provide auction items for the membership to bid upon. He will look into some sort of seasonal entertainment.

**Congressional Medal of Honor Society (CMHS): Terry Tassin** reported that Veterans First Limited is asking for volunteers to assist in the CMHS Convention scheduled to be held here in Phoenix at the Point Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort on September 25<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup> 2005.

**Good of the Order, Roundtable:** No comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 PM.

Submitted, John Gerometta, Secretary

Attached: Levels of Excellence Submission, 2004