

Minutes of the DECEMBER 2007 Board of Director's Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM, Thursday, December 6, 2007 at the State Veteran's Home on N. 3rd St. Phoenix with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Terry Tassin, Gary & Marie Fredricks, Jo Ann Thompson, Chet Baumer, Ron Perkins, Chuck Schluter, Ron Green, Dan Conway, Bill Johnson, Frank and Velma Birtciel.

Minutes: The previously promulgated Minutes of the last Board of Director's meeting (November 2007) were approved.

Officer/Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Bill Johnson reported the present status of fund accounts:

General Checking:	\$4388.43
Scholarship:	\$7740.39
Total Accounts:	\$12,128.82

Auxiliary: Jo Ann Thompson expressed concern that auxiliary members were not attending the monthly luncheon possibly due to transportation problems. Suggestion was made to place an article in the Sentinel offering assistance and transportation to those in need. Terry Tassin offered to place an article in the January Sentinel.

Historian: Historical information up to date on the web.

Legislative: State: Gary Fredricks reported that the Arizona Veteran's Association had sent out letters to the Governor, State Speaker of the House and other essential offices expressing concern about any budget cuts to the Arizona Veteran's Home. He reported that many Veteran Organizations were also working on letters to the same. Everyone is encouraged to use the canned format provided by Terry Tassin in an e-mail to write their state senators and representatives.

Personal Affairs: Dan Conway reported that Tricare would now pay for the shingles Vaccine for those over 60. However there was a glitch in that the payment was out of Medical part D and not B which is what all Tricare for Life members have. There was no news on a possible fix.

Programs: Chuck Schluter reported the program for December will be the Dickens Carolers. Frank Birtciel made a motion to have each of the board members bring a wrapped gift to give away for the monthly raffle with a surprise twist for the winner; rules to be explained by Ron Perkins at the luncheon. Ron Green seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. For January the program will be Matt Chitwood who is the grandson of a Battle of the Bulge veteran; and for February the program will be Jean McFarland speaking on Bully's in the Workplace.

Arrangements: Marie Fredricks suggested having an evening function vice the luncheon for special events next year. Chet Baumer made a motion to have two evening functions next year, one in October and the other one in December. Ron Green seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Web Master: up to date except for the November Board meeting minutes.

Old Business:

AZ National Guard Family Assistance program donation/AER Fund: Ron Green reported that the chapter had donated a total of \$605 dollars to the fund.

Newsletter Editor: A volunteer to fill the Editor position is still being sought.

New Business:

Purchase of Tumbler Sets: A motion was made by Gary Fredricks to purchase ten tumbler sets at \$10 a piece. The motion was seconded by Chet Baumer and was passed unanimously.

Luncheon Greeters for December: Dan Conway and Ron Perkins

Membership renewal drive for 2008: Terry Tassin reported that several members had already sent in their dues which mean we are off to a good start but many members still need to pay for the up coming year 2008. Please use the form in the Sentinel and send it with a check to Terry Tassin

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM

Submitted,
Ron Perkins, AZ Chapter MOAA Secretary