

**Minutes of the DECEMBER 2008 Board of Director's Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA**

**Call to Order:** The President called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM, Thursday, December 4, 2008 at the State Veteran's Home on N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Phoenix with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Terry Tassin, Ron Perkins, Dan Conway, John Ady, Bill Roscher, Gary & Marie Fredricks, Ron Green, Gregg Maxon, Rob Welch, Chuck Schluter, Ron Worthington, and Jim Cullison.

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

**Officer/Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Roscher reported the present status (12/4/2008) of fund accounts:

General Checking:	\$8,345.86
Scholarship:	\$9,902.90
Total Accounts:	\$18,248.76

**JROTC Medals:** Terry Tassin has ordered medals for the 17 schools the chapter supports and expects to receive them sometime in January or early February.

**Legislative:** Gary Fredricks praised Chuck Schluter on his outstanding work on MOAA's National Board of Directors. He also briefly talked about the MOAA Goals for 2009. There are four primary areas of concern; Active/Reserve Force issues, Healthcare issues, Retirement/Survivor issues and Veterans, /family, and other issues. A detailed description of each of these areas can be viewed on MOAA's Web site under Legislative Action.

**Membership:** Terry Tassin reported that the current membership was 194. He also briefed that out of the nine names provided by National under the National/Chapter Recruiting Initiative Oct 1- Dec 31 2008 program he was able to sign up three new members. The latest November list only provided five names, of those two were uninterested in joining and one was already a member. He is hoping the December list will provide more potential members. The chapter goal is to have at least 200 members by the end of the calendar year. Dan Conway reported that the chapter has a total of eleven 'Give Me Ten' new members of which some were conversions to "Life Memberships".

**Personal Affairs:** Dan Conway gave a brief summary on the importance of getting several death certificates from the county recorder. A minimum of twenty was suggested. A suggestion was made that a "Personal Affairs" workshop be offered to the membership if there was interest. John Ady, Bill Roscher and Dan Conway all volunteered to put together a "Personal Affairs" presentation if desired. He expressed the need and importance of all our members to take advantage of the MOAA Personal Affairs Workbook. Dan has a few workbooks on hand but they can also be obtained on line, or requested via phone to be mailed out.

**Arrangements:** Marie Fredricks briefed that Don Ford was set to provide holiday music for our December luncheon. She also reminded each of the board members to bring wrapped gifts for the Chinese auction. She also confirmed the chapter had 40 seats reserved for the Broadway Dinner Theater in July. Dan Conway made a motion to allow Marie Fredricks to negotiate a contract for the use of the McCormick Ranch for our monthly luncheons. It was seconded by Ron Worthington and it was passed unanimously. Ron Worthington made a motion to have a picnic in October and host the ESGR Award Recognitions. It was seconded by Ron Green and passed unanimously.

**Programs:** Chuck Schluter briefed the December 20<sup>th</sup> luncheon will have music by Don Ford, Meritorious Service Award presentations and a Chinese auction. January 16<sup>th</sup> luncheon will have guest speaker Bill Wolfe expert on military munitions and WW II aircraft. February 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon will have a guest speaker "Vicki Mullen's" author of "I Want You to Know Me". Gregg Maxon suggested that the chapter investigate the possibility of doing a joint event with the Arizona Guard or Reserve. Chuck Schluter will look into the options that may be available.

**Scholarships:** Ron Worthington gave a brief summary of the JROTC Scholarship time line for sending out letters, Deadline for applications, scholarship committee review of applications, selection of recipients, presentation to the board for approval and finally scholarship presentation to the winners.

**AZ National Guard Emergency Relief Fund:** Chuck Schluter made a motion to donate \$500 to the AERF. It was seconded by Ron Worthington and it passed unanimously.

**Web:** Everyone who contributes to the chapter's web site needs to review their inputs and keep them up to date.

**Old Business:**

**Luncheon Greeters for meetings:** December: Velma Birtciel & Ron Green; January: Marie & Gary Fredricks.

**New Business:**

**Change in BOD meeting start time for 2009(1100-1300):** Ron Green made a motion to change our start time for BOD meetings to 1100-1300. It was seconded by Ron Worthington. After a short discussion it was passed unanimously.

**2009 Chapter Dues:** Terry Tassin reported that he had received a total of 29 renewals for 2009 to date. He will send out emails starting soon reminding members to pay their dues. Dan Conway will help by following up with letters. The current dues of \$20 for Regular members and \$10 for Auxiliary members have been continued for the year 2009.

**Communications Awards NLT 1 Feb 09:** The board agreed to continue competing in the following three categories: Print Newsletter, Electronic Newsletters and Web Site. Terry Tassin volunteered to submit the chapter's inputs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM

Submitted,  
Ron Perkins, AZ Chapter MOAA Secretary