Minutes of the APRIL 2009 Board of Director’s Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

Call to Order: The 1st Vice President called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM, Thursday, April 2, 2009 at the State Veteran’s Home on N. 3rd St. Phoenix with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Gregg Maxon, Bill Roscher, John Ady, Dan Conway, Chuck Schluter, Terry Tassin, Ron Drew, Rob Welch, Ron Worthington, Pat Dale, and Jim Cullison

Minutes: The previously promulgated Minutes of the last Board of Director’s meeting (March) were approved.

Officer/Committee Reports:

Treasurer’s Report: Bill Roscher reported the present status of fund accounts: General Checking: $11,062.73; Scholarship: $11,424.09; Petty Cash $50.00; for the July ABT show $605; for the May Golf tournament $570. Total Accounts $22,486.82.

JROTC Medals: All medals have been delivered to schools for presentation.

Personal Affairs: Dan Conway reported that John Ady and Dan Conway would be the presenters at the 25 April Personal Affairs Workshop to be held in Scottsdale at the Via Linda Senior Center. Additionally, Terry Goddard will provide a presenter to discuss “Living Wills”. At this time 24 individuals (14 families) have signed up for the workshop with room for 10 more families.

Programs: Chuck Schluter reported that the program for April will be Congressman Harry Mitchell. His 5th district includes Scottsdale, Tempe, Fountain Hills and Cave Creek. For the luncheon on April 18th, we will start the social hour at 11:30 and serve lunch at 12:30 with the Congressman Mitchell speaking around 1:30. Additionally, Chuck Schluter encouraged the members to seek out suitable guest speakers the Chapter could invite for the second half of the year and for 2010. Chuck reminded the members that the October meeting will take the form of a Chapter picnic where we will host the ESGR Award presentations as we did for 2008.

Share-a-Ride Program: Ron Drew indicated a few requests are being received requesting transport to/from luncheon meetings. He attempts to pair up members to travel together; however, members should be ready for a last minute call asking for help in providing transportation for members needing transportation.

Old Business:

Luncheon Greeters: April: Ron and Bette Green; May: Terry and Fran Tassin.

Secretary: A volunteer to fill the secretary position is still being sought, interested individuals please contact Ron Perkins 480-961-8632.

AZ National Guard Emergency Relief Fund: Treasurer will send a $500 check as the Chapter donation to the AER Fund. Chuck Schluter to provide proper mailing address. This donation was approved by the board December 2008, however, with the passing of Treasurer Bill Johnson, and with the resulting adjustments that needed to be made to the chapter checking account, this donation was delayed until now.

AVHOF: Gregg Maxon presented the completed Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame nomination packet in the case of Joan Sisco. As soon as the packet for BG Carl Schneider is ready both packets will be delivered to the AVHOF committee for consideration. Nominations by AZ Chapter are due to AVHOF selection committee by 30 April 2009. Donna Adams is preparing a packet for Patrick Chorpenning.

New Business:

JROTC Scholarship Recommendations & Approval: The Scholarship Committee met on Saturday, 28 March to select recipients from the 14 applications received this year. Ron Worthington presented the committee’s four outstanding JROTC cadets as deserving candidates to receive the Chapter’s $1000 scholarships at the 16 May luncheon. Motion to accept the four names was made and seconded. Motion Approved. The cadets and their schools are:

Andrew Carlson Cortez HS Navy
Kenneth H. Liles Deer Valley HS Air Force
Dustyn Ruble Alhambra HS Army
Stephanie M. Butkowski Cactus HS Air Force

Terry Tassin to email the appropriate JROTC award presenters the above information so that the presenters can recognize the scholarship recipients at their awards night.

Because the President, Vice President, and Secretary will be out of town for the May luncheon, Immediate Past President Terry Tassin will officiate at the May luncheon.

Sentinel Advertisements/Scholarship Donations/Member Discounts: John Ady will prepare an article for the Sentinel in which he will solicit member input as to the availability of “discounts” for MOAA members at local businesses and potential advertisers for The Sentinel.

Memorial Day Color Guard: Rob Welch has been selected to serve as Color Guard Commander for Memorial Day activities at the national cemetery. Additional Color Guard members will be solicited at the April luncheon meeting.

Spring Golf Tournament: Pat Dale stated that the golf tournament was on track for May 1st with lots of prizes. He is anticipating 50 to 65 players participating. The hope is that the tournament will raise enough money for one JROTC scholarship for the Chapter Scholarship Fund.

AZ Council of Chapters Meeting May 16: President Ron Perkins and Gary Fredricks will be representing the AZ Chapter at this meeting.

Next BOD Meeting: 7 May 2009
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 PM
Submitted, Terry Tassin