



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER
Military Officers Association of America
Arizona's First Chapter



Minutes of the March 2012 Board of Directors' meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

Call to Order: President John Ady called the meeting to order at 1028 hours, Thursday, March 1, 2012, at the National Guard Distance Learning Center, 5636 E. McDowell Road, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: John Ady, Nancy Burt, Beth Cullison, Jim Cullison, Rance Farrell, Marie Fredricks, Ron Green, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Ron Perkins, Bill Roscher and Rob Welch.

Officer/Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Bill Roscher reported the General Fund balance is \$10,304.96; Scholarship Fund is \$14,177.93 and Petty Cash is \$50.00 for a grand total of \$24,532.89. Bill also reported on an anonymous donor who added the Scholarship Fund to their will; donation upon their death.

Legislative: Gary Fredrick's provided a comprehensive status in *The Sentinel*/March 2012 issue. Ron Perkins mentioned there is a bill pending to charge an additional \$2,000.00 to veterans attending college in Arizona under the GI Bill. Ron asked that members write to their representatives' to veto the bill.

Membership: Ron Perkins reported that our current membership is 227: 181 full members and 46 auxiliary members. However, 95 members have not sent in their 2012 renewal dues. Ron asked for/received volunteers to make personal phone calls to members not yet renewed – calls to be made ASAP as the deadline for renewals is March 31, 2012.

Arrangements: Marie Fredricks reported that Chuck Schluter requests the ESGR Awards be presented at the November 2012 (3rd Saturday) meeting. The possibility of moving the awards to a different meeting or venue (due to traditionally low attendance) was postponed for future discussion.

JROTC Awards: Rob Welch provided information from Terry Tassin that all but 2 schools have volunteers to present this year's awards. Terry has emailed the award information; schools, dates and presenters.

Website: Rob Welch reported that the site is up and running.

Super Committee Report: Beth Cullison reported on the findings of the committee to improve chapter membership. A 6 page report was handed out for review by the general board; next month's meeting should have top priorities ready for discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

Scholarship Fund: Rob Welch reported that there is only 1 applicant to date. The March 25th deadline is quickly approaching and Rob will send out reminders.

Donation Listings: Nancy Burt continues to research options for reporting donors/donations in *The Sentinel*.

MSA Awards: John Ady presented a gold star for viewing by the group, a possible replacement to the oak leaf clusters currently presented for the MSA Awards. Dan Conroy investigated and reported he was able to order in bulk for approx. \$1.00 per star – available in gold, silver, etc. This is in addition to the research done by Bill Roscher last month at Luke AFB on the cost of their star pins. Next month John Ady would like to discuss what to do with awards/honors – instead of continuing to present consistent awards to the same people, perhaps a switch to new recipients only. John also proposed a change to the by-laws to allow the change to stars.

Members Spotlight/Tales of Members: Dick Weiss/ March, Nancy Burt/April, Bill Roscher/ May have volunteered to do a brief presentation on their military service at the general meeting.

Greeters: March – Ron & Betty Perkins, April – Sharon Ady & Marie Fredricks, May – Beth & Jim Cullison.

NEW BUSINESS

AZ Veteran's Hall of Fame Nominations: Rob Welch nominated Ron Perkins. After gentle prodding, Ron accepted the nomination. Ron will provide his biography; Jim Cullison will do a write up with John Ady who will also do a letter of nomination. All nominations are due NLT April 12, 2012.

Beth Cullison, outgoing Secretary, presented John Ady & Rob Welch with 2 checks donated from one of her group's 50/50 raffle (\$163.00) as well as \$50.00 from private donations. John Ady noted Beth's many accomplishments while on the Board and gave his special thanks for all her service.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ron Perkins thanked everyone for their donations to the scholarship fund in memory of Lori Perkins.

Next Chapter Meeting: Saturday, March 17, 2012

Next Board of Director Meeting: Thursday, April 5, 2012

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1155 hours.
Respectfully submitted, Leonore Hoak, Secretary