



# THE ARIZONA CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America  
*Arizona's First Chapter*



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

**Call to Order:** President John Ady called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Thursday, April 5, 2012, at the National Guard Distance Learning Center, 5636 E. McDowell Road, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** John Ady, Nancy Burt, Jim Cullison, Jim Draper, Rance Farrell, Marie Fredricks, Ron Green, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Ron Perkins, Rob Welch.

### **Officer/Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** John Ady reported for Bill Roscher the General Fund balance is \$11,062.93; Scholarship Fund is \$14,652.03 and Petty Cash is \$50.00 for a grand total of \$25,764.96.

**Legislative:** Gary Fredricks provides a comprehensive status report in *The Sentinel*/April 2012 issue. The major notice for mid-April is the annual Storming of the Hill in Washington DC. MOAA will visit all senators and representatives (50 states plus Puerto Rico) in one day; Gary Fredricks, Ken Yamanouchi – AZ MOAA Council of Chapters President and CDR Darin Burns – USPHS will visit the AZ congressional offices.

**Membership:** Ron Perkins reported that our current membership is 230. There are 56 members who have not sent in their 2012 renewal dues. Dan Conway will send personal letters to those members to request they consider remaining as active AZ MOAA Chapter members. The possibility of joining in the national MOAA membership drive was also discussed and will be further investigated.

**Arrangements:** Marie Fredricks reported that all current meetings are confirmed with the exception of the October picnic. John Ady will request the space on May 1, the date reservations open. Request will be made for the third Saturday of October for the Stillman Pavilion at Scottsdale Railroad Park. Famous Dave's will again provide the BBQ luncheon and local entertainer Dick Jonas will provide music.

**JROTC Scholarship Awards:** Rob Welch provided this year's 7 scholarship winners. Top Award of \$2,000 was awarded to the candidate with the highest overall rating in scholastics, sports, JROTC (Battalion Commander) and personal achievement. 2<sup>nd</sup> Award of \$1,500.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Awards of \$1,000.00 each, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Awards of \$500.00 each will be presented at the annual JROTC Awards ceremonies. This year there were 11 applicants for the local Scholarship Awards: 1 was received after the deadline and was not applicable, 1 candidate was turned over to the Luke MOAA Chapter for consideration. Out of the remaining 9 applicants, 7 were chosen for scholarship awards; applicants were from 7 different schools, 4 females/3 males, service breakdowns – 3 Air Force, 2 Army & 2 Navy.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Donation Listings:** Nancy Burt has completed her review of options for reporting donors/donations in *The Sentinel* and has made recommendation to continue with current postings.

**MSA Awards:** Ron Perkins presented the revised Procedures and MSA Operating Instructions which received unanimous Board approval. There were 3 updates; 1<sup>st</sup> – a maximum of 3 MSA will be awarded by the local Chapter, additional awards from national MOAA are not affected, 2<sup>nd</sup> – gold star pins will now be awarded in place of the previous oak clusters, 3<sup>rd</sup> – minor verbiage changes and past president approval requirement deleted.

**Scholarship Fund:** A donation of \$1,000.00 was made by TriWest to the fund.

### **Super Committee Recommendations:**

Luncheon General Meeting – President to provide brief BOD overview touching on important/urgent issues to replace individual officer reports, invite guests to introduce and say a few words about themselves, assigned Frank Hoak to coordinate monthly Members Spotlight, revamp Christmas party venue

JROTC Scholarship – increase awareness, interest and participation – attend and publicize February military awards luncheon, follow-up on the success of a previous scholarship recipient – invite to monthly meeting for brief presentation, promote the scholarship fund in *The Sentinel* with timely announcements

Presentations – to continue with outstanding presentations, a list of a dozen possible speakers sent to Chuck Schluter for his review and comment

Outside Tours - a trip in October to the Commemorative Air Force Museum, Falcon Field, Mesa, Chuck Schluter and Ron Perkins will work on setting up a date (will be in addition to the regular monthly meeting)

October Picnic – arrange to have local musician Dick Jonas as entertainment

Additional Activity (outside monthly luncheon) – November 3 Air Force/Army Football Game – venue to follow, Diamondbacks Baseball Game – Jim Cullison is investigating group rates, a Fall Happy Hour – tba, Veterans Day Celebration – Carefree, John Ady will report back on possibility of getting group rates/seating at local Harkins movie theatre special event/concert, Uniform optional dress function at Christmas Party and May Scholarship Luncheon

Other Ideas – monthly drawing for free luncheon meeting for two, expand local MOAA exposure with information tables at area events, Rob Welch is researching cost of having a banner printed with local and national MOAA logos

## NEW BUSINESS

**Members Spotlight:** Nancy Burt/April, Bill Roscher/ May and Ron Green/Sept have volunteered to do a brief presentation on their military service at the general meeting. Frank Hoak will take responsibility for getting additional members in the spotlight.

**Greeters:** April – Sharon Ady & Marie Fredricks, May – Beth & Jim Cullison

**Chapter Awards:** John Ady is looking in to the option of having our Chapter awards/certificates/plaques done locally. He is currently checking on the cost of local versus using the standard national MOAA forms.

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

**Military Business Cards: Military.com** is offering 250 FREE business cards with your branch of service and personal information imprinted. Shipping is additional.

**The Sentinel:** TAPS will now publish death notices for all MOAA members, spouses and auxiliary members.

**Next Chapter Meeting:** Saturday, April 21, 2012

**Next Board of Director Meeting:** Thursday, May 3, 2012

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1335 hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leonore Hoak, Secretary



