



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



Minutes of the January 3, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA
ARNG HQ, 5636 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ 85008

Call to Order: President John Ady called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Thursday, January 3, 2013 at the National Guard Distance Learning Center, 5636 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix AZ with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: John Ady, Arlene Day, Jim Cullison, Ron Green, Leonore Hoak, Rob Welch.

Officer & Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: John Ady reported for Treasurer Bill Roescher – General Fund \$8886.62; Scholarship Fund \$14,503.36; Petty Cash \$50.00 for a Grand Total of \$23,439.98.

Legislative: John Ady reported for Gary Fredricks on current highlights. Sequestration issue remains unresolved with vote delayed for 60 days; the Defense Authorization Bill passed which gives a 1.7% pay increase to active duty military; caps force reduction cuts; avoids TRICARE pharmacy raises. There remain multiple problems for the DOD to resolve in early 2013. Please see *The Sentinel* for full report.

Membership: John Ady reports for Ron Perkins that the current Chapter Membership total is 226 with 185 Regular Members and 41 Auxiliary Members. With the various recruitment programs utilized in 2012, the Chapter was able to add 39 new members.

Arrangements: Arlene Day reports that the McCormick Ranch Golf Club catering agreement has been signed for the 2013 event dates. Only major change is the April 20th breakfast meeting 7am – 1030am due to a scheduling conflict. The January Guest Speaker is Jack Ballentine, Fire Marshall for the City of Phoenix.

Newsletter: Jim Cullison continues to produce our award winning *The Sentinel*.

Website: Rob Welch reports that the site is up to date and will be ready to submit in February for the MOAA National Communications Awards.



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OLD BUSINESS

MOAA National Communications Awards: This year's entries will be our monthly newsletter *The Sentinel*, the Chapter's website and recruiting brochure. Jim Cullison suggested that Gary Fredricks monthly legislative report also be considered for entry, however, only 3 submissions are allowed. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2013.

We are proud that our Chapter is the only one to have ever won three 1st Place Awards at the same time!

Scholarship Fund: The fund received a very nice end of year infusion of donations from our Chapter members. It has been suggested that an estate planning meeting be scheduled to help members with their future donation plans, John Ady and Rob Welch are looking at possible options.

Scholarship 2013 application forms are ready to be sent out to schools.

A motion was made by Jim Cullison and seconded by Ron Green to reimburse Rob Welch \$45.00 for stamps purchased for mailings.

Recruiting Brochure: Corrections are being made to update the old brochure with new website address, National MOAA information and new photos representing all services. Last year the Chapter was able to recruit 39 new members with the brochure. Rob Welch received bids ranging from \$60.00 - \$231.00 to print copies of the new brochure. **Despins Printing & Graphics**, 15770 N. Greenway-Hayden Loop, Suite 101, Scottsdale has offered to donate the printing of 250 copies. We thank them for their generosity.

Senior Membership Proposal: On target for membership vote at the January 19, 2013 luncheon.

AZ Homeless Vets StandDown: The date has been moved from February to March 8-9, 2013. Sign up is now available on their website.

AZ Veteran's Hall of Fame: Nominations are being accepted for this year's applicants. General criteria for consideration – person must have retired honorably from the service and must have proven community service record in city/state.

December Holiday Party: This year's event was our most successful to date. To keep the spirit going we have rebooked the McCormick Ranch Pavilion for our 2013 venue and will contact the Carefree Christmas Chorus to entertain. The Chinese Auction was well received and will be kept in the 2013 party plans.



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Thank You: John Ady read a thank you note from Marie Fredricks to the Chapter for the gift certificate given in appreciation of her hard work in setting up/planning all our meetings and extra-curricular events.

January 19, 2013 Luncheon: Installation of Officers & BOD, Gary Fredricks will be the installing officer.

Members Spotlight: Plans are set for January/Ron Green; February/Jim Cullison; March/Dan Conway; April/Dave Fleming; May/Ron Perkins.
Please contact Frank Hoak if interested in being added to the fall meeting roster.

Greeters: January – Jim & Judy Draper

Good of the Order: Ron Green is trying to recruit his friend Gary Brooks, Retired AF Chaplain to join the Chapter as its Chaplain.
Joey Strickland, Director of Arizona Department of Veterans Services, is our Chapter's newest member.

Adjournment: 1120 Hours

Respectfully submitted,

Leonore K. Hoak
Secretary

Summary: Motions to pay requested funds were approved and passed by all Board Members in attendance.