



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



Minutes of the May 2, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting
Regional Training Institute, AZNRNG, 5636 E. McDowell Rd, Phoenix, AZ

Call to Order: President Jim Cullison called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Friday, May 2, 2014 with the Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: John Ady, Beth Cullison, Jim Cullison, Rance Farrell, Dave Fleming, Gary Fredricks, Ron Green, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Lee Lange, Ron Perkins, Bill Roscher

President's Announcements:

- MOAA Baseball Game July 20 – tickets will be sold on a first come/first serve basis, please remember to sign up early if you plan on attending
- Rance Farrell is getting the Chapter group tickets for the July 30th performance of Jersey Boys at ASU Gammage this weekend.
- Organ Stop Pizza – Arlene Day is arranging for the June 28 Chapter summer outing

OFFICER'S & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Frank Hoak, seconded by Jim Cullison and passed by all present to waive reading the April 2014 minutes

Treasurer's Report: Bill Roscher reports that the General Fund currently has \$16,772.68; the Scholarship Fund has a current total of \$16,192.33; Petty Cash \$100.00 for a Grand Total of \$29,005.01. A motion was made Bill Roscher, seconded by John Ady and passed by all present to accept the report

Membership: Dave Fleming reports a current membership total of 189; 154 regular/35 auxiliary. This is the updated number after the membership renewal drive ended. Dave continues to update the roster and work with MOAA national on retention issues

Arrangements: Arlene reports that the May 17 meeting is set; the June 28 outing at Organ Stop Pizza is being completed; and the date for the October picnic at McCormick-Stillman RR Park has been confirmed by John Ady and the choral entertainment reserved

Auxiliary & Wives: Nancy Burt has nothing to report this month

Council of Chapters: Jim Cullison, Gary Fredricks and Ron Perkins will attend the COC meeting in Sierra Vista May 15-16. MOAA & ESGR are trying to establish a working relationship both locally and nationally; lists need to be updated so our Chapter President receives the emails and information. A motion was made by Bill Roscher, seconded by Dave Fleming and passed by all present to allow Jim Cullison, Chapter President to act on the upcoming MOU/ESGR vote

ESGR: Chuck Schluter has no report this month



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JROTC SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Rob Welch reports that everything is lined up for the May 17 Awards luncheon.

Legislative Affairs: Gary Fredricks reports on results from the annual MOAA Storming the Hill in Washington; he and his AZ colleagues were able to meet with Senators McCain and Flake as well as the 9 AZ representatives or staff members to discuss pending issues. The ongoing issues of sequestration and the DOD proposals to cap active duty pay, reduce commissary and housing allowances and decrease TRICARE benefits were at the forefront of the discussions. For more in depth information please see Gary's Legislative Update in *The Sentinel* May issue.

MSVA/MANA House Liaison: Ron Green continues his deliveries of water, towels, clothes and sundries for the local veteran community. Ron has requested a "Tip the Hat" budget from the Chapter of \$1,000.00 to support his ongoing collections. A motion was made by Bill Roscher and seconded by Frank Hoak to give a \$500.00 Chapter donation; motion passed by all present.

Newsletter: This month's *Sentinel* is slightly delayed in order to include pictures and results of the Scholarship Golf Tournament on May 1; Jim Cullison says it will be sent out within the next few days.

Personal Affairs: Lee Lange has a new column in *The Sentinel* this month, please read it for his very useful benefit source information.

Programs: John Ady has Gary Fredricks set as the guest speaker at the September meeting; the October picnic will not have a formal speaker; he is still trying to get Luke AFB to commit for the November meeting; December is the Christmas venue w/o a speaker. He will be working on the 2015 1st quarter speakers in the fall.

Public Affairs: Jim Cullison will be meeting with Mark Day shortly to discuss publicity opportunities.

Spotlight Speakers: Frank Hoak is looking for new ideas and volunteers for the fall programs. He is going to see if Marie Fredricks will consider speaking at the September meeting to give her perspective as a military spouse.

Transition Liaison: Jim Draper has nothing new to report this month

Webmaster: Rob Welch has nothing new to report this month

OLD BUSINESS

- Guest Speaker Gifts – Frank Hoak will order six of the National MOAA paperweight/magnifiers @ \$22.25 each to use as gifts for the luncheon guest speakers; this item was the choice of all board members present. A motion was made by Dave Fleming and seconded by John Ady to proceed with the new gift idea; passed by all present
- Scholarship Golf Tournament – this year's tournament was the best to date; special thanks to Pat Dale for his time and hard work making it such a success.



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John Ady suggests a special acknowledgement for Pat to show the Chapter's gratitude; item to be advised

- Veterans Hall of Fame – The two nominees this year will be Paul Schnur & Dan Conway
- Memorial Day Color Guard – we are in need of an additional person for the presentation this year; Bill Roscher, Ron Perkins and Jim Cullison will be guards, please notify Jim Cullison if you can volunteer for the ceremony
- National Guard Assoc Conference May 16-17 – Ed Mangen of the Superstition Chapter has all shifts covered this year
- Honorary/Life Memberships – a committee being set up to meet and discuss
- New Fund Raising Ideas – a committee of John Ady, Beth Cullison and Rob Welch will meet to discuss possible new options

NEW BUSINESS

- Gold Bar Program – program is in flux, National MOAA will pay \$250.00 incentive if the Chapter is able to sign 10 new members, but the new members signed are in a constant change of address. Suggestion by Dave Fleming to revisit the recruitment program.
- Coffee Mugs – Possible fund raising project for the Chapter, MOAA mugs cost \$2.00 each and could be sold for a substantial markup – future consideration
- Diversification of Chapter Monetary Awards – Frank Hoak suggests discussing new ways to promote the MOAA Chapter image, specifically to the JROTC recipients
- VETTIX – Frank Hoak gives info on the free service to veterans, register online for free and receive info on (free) area sports/entertainment tickets – must provide a copy of ID card or DD-214
- May Greeters – John Ady and Dave Fleming

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Special thanks to John Ady for (again) securing the date for the October picnic at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park
- Frank Hoak will meet with his nominating committee in June to review the 2014/2015 Chapter Officers and Board members
- Ron Perkins suggests that members use the azdvs.gov website for current veteran information throughout the state
- Dave Fleming has offered to send all new members a welcome email, may include a brief number of questions on the members special interests, likes/dislikes etc
- Gary Fredricks would like to have more input and ideas on state and federal legislative affairs

Adjournment: John Ady calls for a motion to adjourn at 1225 hours, passed by all present