



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America

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Minutes of the November 6, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting
Regional Training Institute, AZARNG, 5636 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ

Call to Order: Chapter President Jim Cullison called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Thursday, November 6, 2014 with the Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: John Ady, Charlie Bitner, Jim Cullison, Arleen Day, Mark Day, Dave Fleming, Gary Fredricks, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Bill Roscher

President's Announcements:

- MOAA Annual Meeting – Jim & Beth Cullison attended the meeting in Arlington, VA, October 26 and 27. Jim brought home the Chapter's 5* banner. Gary Fredricks attended the meeting and ended his term on the National Board
- Dolly Steamboat Ride – the Luke Chapter is sponsoring an outing at noon on January 22, 2015. Cost is \$20pp/senior and \$22pp/under 60; we will send info/invite out to general membership

OFFICER & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Bill Roscher, seconded by Frank Hoak and passed by all present to waive reading the October 2014 meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report: Bill Roscher reports the General Fund has \$9,790.74; the Scholarship Fund has \$17,527.06; the Change Fund has \$100.00 for a Grand Total of \$27,417.80

Membership: Dave Fleming reports that the total membership remains at 190; 157 Regular/33 Auxiliary. Dave worked with Lee Lange at the October picnic to meet and greet new attendees; while the count is not final the Chapter may have 6 new members from the event

Arrangements: Arlene Day reports that all arrangements for the November and December meetings have been finalized. There will be no live entertainment at the Christmas Luncheon, background seasonal music will be played as an alternative. The new 2015 contract from McCormick Ranch is awaiting finalization. McCormick Ranch already reserved the third Saturday in March for another organization. Arlene asks that we confirm for the second Saturday during March, November and December 2015. A motion was made by John Ady, seconded by Leonore Hoak and passed by all present to accept the date changes.

Arlene will resign as arrangement chair at the end of the May 2015; she will still arrange the summer outing at the Organ Stop Pizza. The Board thanks Arlene for her hard work on behalf of the Chapter; we ask for a volunteer willing to assume Arlene's duties at the September 2015 meeting

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

Council of Chapters: The semi-annual meeting will be held in Flagstaff next week. Ron Perkins will become the new President of the area COC. The Flagstaff Chapter has asked that the COC meetings be centralized throughout the state; the general consensus is that it would cause an unnecessary financial burden to the local chapters and more discussion is required

ESGR: Chuck Schluter has nothing to report this month

JROTC SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Rob Welch has nothing to report this month

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Gary Fredricks reports no new national news since the last *Sentinel*, Congress will reconvene shortly in a lame duck session and nothing of import is expected. At the state level Gary



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has been working with Lee Lange to pursue thoughts and state involvement on local issues of military import

MSVA/MANA HOUSE LIASION: Ron Green reports that he will be delivering additional water this week and that his church is currently working on a project to purchase sleeping bags for homeless veterans

Newsletter: Jim Cullison reports he has finally been able to purchase and install the new version of Publisher/Office Suite and is working the kinks out

Personal Affairs: Lee Lange has nothing to report this month

Programs: John Ady has a speaker from Luke AFB committed for the upcoming November general meeting; no speaker at the December Holiday meeting; January will be the ASU NROTC CO, March is former White House physician Dr Connie Mariano, April is pending and May is the ROTC Awards luncheon without a speaker. He has spoken to writer Flora Jessop, escaped fundamentalist LDS member, as a possible speaker in February. Her program is about her "Child Protection Project"

Public Affairs: Mark Day worked with Mark at Arizona Veteran Magazine; our Chapter is part of a full page ad with other local MOAA Chapters that encourages MOAA membership on the local level. Mark is also working on getting recognition in print on our members and their charitable work on behalf of local veterans and their families

Spotlight Speakers: Frank Hoak reports that Dr Paul Schnur is ready to be in the spotlight in November; no December speaker; January will be Marie Fredricks; February will be Charlie Bitner; no speaker in March because of Dr Mariano; April will be Mark Day

Transition Liaison: Jim Draper has no report this month

Webmaster: Rob Welch reports that our site is current

OLD BUSINESS

- MSA Committee Report – Jim Cullison reports for Jim Draper that the committee has met and put forth their recommendations for this year's awards: Ron Green for his work on the veteran water project; Arlene Day for her continued work on marking our monthly meetings at McCormick Ranch well organized and tasty; Dave Fleming, 1st Vice President, for his continuous work on Chapter membership; Lee Lange for taking on the Personal Affairs position; Leonore Hoak for her 3 years on the BOD as Chapter Secretary; John Ady for his continued assistance and guidance within the Chapter is President Jim Cullison's addition to the roster. Names will be presented and voted on by the membership at the general December meeting. A motion was made by John Ady, seconded by Bill Roscher and passed by all present to accept the committee recommendations
- Sponsored Membership – Dave Fleming asks that the committee recommendations on sponsored memberships be added to the Chapter operating instructions as an addendum, Rob Welch will update on the website

NEW BUSINESS

- January Board Meeting – due to the New Year's holiday the January meeting will be on the second Thursday, January 8 at 1030 hours
- AUSA Armed Forces Career Day, Tuesday, November 25 at McCormick Ranch – the Chapter would again like to support the cause by purchasing a table which hosts 6 ROTC members and 2 Chapter members for \$200.00. A motion was made by John Ady, seconded by Bill Roscher and passed by all present to proceed



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- Pearl Harbor Ceremony – Jim Draper and Frank Hoak will represent the Chapter and have been confirmed for the wreath laying ceremony at 1045 hours December 7
- Flag Retirement Project – John Ady will speak to the Luke and Superstition Chapters about getting involved in this “feel good” project
- November Greeters – Dave & Wanda Fleming
- Call For Other Business – Frank Hoak has suggested purchasing cups with the Chapter logo as a possible fund raising effort. There is a minimum order of 72 cups required. A motion was made by Dave Fleming, seconded by Leonore Hoak and passed by all present to investigate cost and print options

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- John Ady will meet with Beth Cullison to discuss the possibility of having a Chapter fund raising raffle, their final report with options will be next month
- Veteran's Day Parade will be in Mesa on Saturday, November 8 at 1100 hours
- Rance Farrell's memorial service will be at the Cave Creek National Veteran Cemetery Friday, November 14 at 1100 hours
- Mark Day notes that the 1st F-35 carrier landing took place last week
- Mark Day notes this year's British Remembrance Day – to honor the 100 year anniversary of the beginning of WWI, they have installed over 860,000 ceramic red poppy's in the moat surrounding the Tower of London to commemorate the British soldiers who died in the war; an amazing sight that can be viewed online

Adjournment: 1145 hours