Minutes of the April 2, 2015 AZ MOAA Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
Regional Training Institute, AZARNG, 5636 E McDowell Rd, Phoenix, AZ

Call to Order: Chapter President called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Thursday, April 2, 2015 with the Pledge of Allegiance

Member’s Present: John Ady, Charlie Bitner, Beth Cullison, Jim Cullison, Jim Draper, Dave Fleming, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Lee Lange, Ron Perkins, Bill Roscher, and Rob Welch

OFFICER’S & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Secretary’s Report: A motion was made by Leonore Hoak; seconded by Beth Cullison and passed by all present to waive reading the March 2015 meeting minutes

Treasurer’s Report: Charlie Bitner reports a grand total of $27,859 in the treasury; the general fund has $9035, the scholarship fund has $18,824 and petty cash has $100. Ron Perkins conducted his annual review of the 2014 chapter records and reports that all is accurate and up to date. A motion was made by John Ady; seconded by Lee Lange and passed by all present to accept Ron’s report

Membership: Dave Fleming reports a current total of 159 members; 133 regular and 26 auxiliary. Currently 47 members have not renewed; this includes the deaths of several members and the dropping of numerous gold bar members

Arrangements: Arlene Day reports that all is set for the April general meeting on the 18th. Incoming arrangement chair Donna Bright will be meeting with McCormick Ranch to work on the 2016 contract

Auxiliary & Wives: Nancy Burt has no report this month

Council of Chapters: Ron Perkins reports for the COC that their chapter recruiting report has an increase of 300 new members; this is in part due to several new satellite chapters. The Green Valley Chapter will host the May COC meeting; any Chapter member is welcome to attend

ESGR: Chuck Schluter reports ongoing funding issues; April may not be the best month to host the awards luncheon but perhaps in the fall it would be possible to have only a partial meeting dedicated to the Award ceremony. Chuck will keep the BOD updated

JROTC Scholarships: Rob Welch reports that he has received a total of 5 applications from 2 area high schools, Sandra Day O’Conner and Greenway

National Legislative Affairs: Ron Perkins will take part in this year’s Storming of the Hill. Check the April Sentinel for Gary Fredricks updated report

State Legislative Affairs: Lee Lange asks that everyone check the April Sentinel for his article and help with support for several veterans issues at the state level

MSVA/MANA House Liaison: Ron Green reports on his ongoing delivery of 38 cases of water to area homeless veterans and his constant search for corporate donations to assist with much needed supplies

Newsletter: Jim Cullison reports that he will be looking for a much needed new print shop over the summer; The Sentinel is up-to-date
Personal Affairs: Lee Lange reports that National MOAA will be coming out with a new Survivors Guide so be on the lookout for this important information

Programs: John Ady reports that Dr Randy Groth is set as the April speaker; the May meeting will have a Scottsdale Police Officer doing a presentation on home safety; September is currently being held open for Congressman Schweikert; October is our picnic without a speaker; November will be Barry Wright from National MOAA and December is the Christmas party without a formal speaker

Public Affairs: Mark Day has no report this month

Spotlight Speakers: Frank Hoak reports the current lineup to be Mark Day/April, Charlie Bitner/May, Janet Stultz/September, John Brammer/November, Gene Rafanelli/January and Ed Balaban/February

Transition Liaison: Jim Draper has no action to report this month

Webmaster: Rob Welch reports that the chapter website is current

OLD BUSINESS

- Chapter Property Storage – Jim Cullison will have specifics on the cost and location at next month’s meeting
- CPR Training – due to the cost per person for offering the course, the chapter is currently looking for a “friend of the chapter” for monetary support
- Comedy Club – due to pricing and timing Frank Hoak reports the event will not work out

NEW BUSINESS

- Chapter property duty roster is being worked on by Dave Fleming for assignments through 2016
- Nominating Committee – Jim Cullison, Dave Fleming, Lee Lange and Ron Bright are working on the 2016 slate of officers and directors
- Summer Event at Gammage – due to the summer break/offerings, Leonore Hoak suggests that we consider doing an early spring event for better pricing and availability. She’s working on it!
- April Greeters – John Ady & Beth Cullison

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Level of Excellence award submissions are due in June; check The Affiliate for the change in criteria

Adjournment: 1135 hours