



# THE ARIZONA CHAPTER

## Military Officers Association of America

### Arizona's First Chapter



Minutes of the November 5, 2015 AZ MOAA Chapter 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 5, 2015 with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Member's Present:** John Ady, Charlie Bitner, Jim Cullison, Beth Cullison, Jim Draper, Dave Fleming, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Janet Stultz and Rob Welch

#### **Announcements from the President:**

- Jim & Beth Cullison attended the MOAA Annual Meeting in Orlando FL where the Chapter received its 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive 5 Star of Excellence banner
- Remember that the Levels of Excellence deadline is March 1, 2016
- Our Chapter is hosting the semi-annual AZ COC meeting November 13 in Scottsdale at the Chaparral Suites

#### **OFFICER'S & COMMITTEE Reports:**

**Secretary's Report:** A motion was made by John Ady, seconded by Beth Cullison and passed by all present to waive reading the October 2015 Minutes

**Treasurer's Report:** Charlie Bitner reports \$7755.09 in the general fund; \$18176.50 in the scholarship fund and \$200.00 in petty cash for a total of \$26131.59

**Membership:** Dave Fleming reports a total of 165 members – 137 regular and 28 auxiliary; this is an increase of 2 new members since our October BOD meeting

**Arrangements:** Donna Bright has the November general meeting confirmed with McCormick Ranch

**Auxiliary & Wives:** Leonore Hoak will send out this year's Thanksgiving cards with a written invitation for all auxiliary members to be guests of the Chapter at the December 12 Holiday Party

**AZ Council of Chapters:** Our Chapter is hosting the semi-annual AZ COC meeting November 13 in Scottsdale at the Chaparral Suites; Barry Wright, MOAA Director of Council and Chapter Affairs, will attend and update the Council on MOAA's current issues and goals

**ESGR:** Due to personnel changes, Chuck Schluter is no longer involved in ESGR but will volunteer as needed

**JROTC/ROTC SCHOLARSHIPS:** ASU is currently undergoing a change in their general operations and they are revising their operating instructions; Rob Welch should have an update at the January 2016 BOD meeting

**Legislative Affairs:** Lee Lange has up to date information in this month's *The Sentinel*

**MSVA/MANA House Liaison:** Ron Green continues his service to our local veterans delivering water, supplies, sleeping bags, backpacks, etc

**Newsletter:** Jim Cullison has our newsletter current



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**Personal Affairs:** Lee Lange has his monthly column posted in this month's *The Sentinel*

**Programs:** John Ady has programs set thru the January 2016 general meeting; Dave Fleming and Bruce Kosaveach expect a smooth transition beginning in February

**Public Affairs:** Mark Day has resigned as Chair due to a time conflict with his work schedule

**Spotlight Speaker:** Frank Hoak has Gene Raffanelli scheduled as the January speaker; Dave Fleming will assume scheduling in February 2016

**Transition Liaison:** Jim Draper has nothing to report

**Webmaster:** Rob Welch has the site updated and current

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Electronic Dues Payments** – Charlie Bitner will work with Lee Lange and Dave Fleming to get the Chapter set up during 2016 with MOAA National

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- AUSA JROTC & Armed Forces Career Day – Jim Cullison and Janet Stultz will represent the Chapter at the November 24 luncheon; a motion was made by John Ady, seconded by Rob Welch and passed by all present to again sponsor a table at the event for \$200.00
- The November Luncheon will be a busy one – the Meritorious Service Awards will be awarded and the 2016 BOD and slate of Officers will be presented and voted upon by the general membership
- December Holiday Luncheon & Auction – Chair Dave Fleming requests that the Board and Program Chairs each bring 2 gifts (\$20 - \$25 each) for the Chinese Auction; he's sparking things up this year
- November Greeters – Frank & Leonore Hoak
- December 7<sup>th</sup> Wreath Presentation – Jim Draper and Lee Lange will present the Chapter wreath at this year's ceremony

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- Remember all the local establishments that are honoring veterans on November 11<sup>th</sup> by offering complimentary meals, drinks, etc – you can dine from breakfast through dinner
- Toys for Tots – Terry Tassin will again be collecting donations at both the November and December general meetings so remember to bring your new, unwrapped toys
- Beth Cullison suggests more stringent controls be put on the 2016 October picnic; excess food has been purchased for the past 2 years from Famous Dave's to cover unpaid reservations, a problem that is getting costly to the treasury; she requests the Board consider the issue in the near future
- John Ady reminds everyone that he will continue to Chair the Chapters flag disposal program

**Adjournment:** 1140 hours