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 11th 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

www.azmoaa.org
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 7th 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 11th 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

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