



**THE ARIZONA CHAPTER**  
**Military Officers Association of America**  
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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – Thursday May 4, 2017**

Regional Training Institute, AZARNG, 5636 E. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, AZ

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** President Lee Lange called the meeting to order at 9:30 am at the Regional Training Institute, 5636 E. McDowell Rd. Phoenix, AZ President Lange led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance

**Members Present:** Lee Lange, Jim Draper, Jim Cullison, Ron and Donna Bright, Paul Schnur, Susan Farrell, Janet Lange and Bruce Kosaveach.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the last Chapter meeting and the last BOD meeting were emailed to the BOD. Several changes were made to the last BOD meeting. A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of both sets of minutes. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes presented and this motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer was not present at the meeting but his report has been submitted to the President and he reported that the General Fund is at \$13,155.53, the Scholarship Fund is at \$22,114.41, there is \$200 in petty cash for a Grand Total of \$35,469.94. The Treasurer announced that he will not be present at the next Chapter meeting. Since he will not be there credit cards cannot be used to pay for the meal.

**SPECIAL REPORTS;**

AZ Council of Chapters Update: Lee Lange reported that the next meeting would be May 23-24<sup>th</sup> in Prescott. Lee will attend. The Council meets May and November of each year in different cities in Arizona.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Membership:** Dave Price was not present so President Lange gave the report using last month's numbers. There are 124 regular members, 26 surviving spouses for a total of 160 members. So far there are 24 members that have not renewed as of this date Lee announced that he will sponsor renewal of several of these members. We may lose about 20 members. The Membership committee will concentrate on recruiting members of National that live in our area, with emphasis on Life Members first.



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A discussion was held about the Chapter paying for the lunch of a prospective member and his/her spouse or guest. The members believed this is a good idea but a policy had not been established except for the annual picnic. A motion was made that we set a policy to pay for lunch for the first visit of a prospective member. The motion was tabled pending review by the Membership and Finance committees.

A discussion was held on who we will comp meals for at the scholarship presentation meeting. That will be reviewed and brought back to the Chapter.

**Programs:** The program for the next meeting which will be Representative David Schweikert. September will be Jack Holder who was not able to make his previous presentation on Pearl Harbor. November may be Steve Ferrara a retired military doctor who will talk about combat medicine. December will be the Christmas party.

**Scholarships:** No Report

**Arrangements:** The contract has to be signed for next year's luncheons at McCormick Golf Club by May 16, 2017. The new fee will be \$25 per meal, up from \$22. It has been \$22 for the past two years. We should negotiate with them and ask for a price of \$24. The contract would become effective January 1, 2018. The contract has to be signed now so we can get the dates for the meetings that we want. This of course will increase the cost to the members. It was decided that we should talk with Starfire Golf Club and ask them what price they would give us for a contract with them. After that we could then talk with McCormack about lowering the price. Present Lange will set up a meeting with Starfire and Janet Lange and Donna Bright will accompany him. If we cannot get a better price we will accept the \$25 contract. When we get the final price we will decide what to charge the members for lunch.

Reservations have been made for the picnic area for the October meeting. The cost was \$85. The date is October 21, 2017 and the place is the same as last year.

**Legislative Affairs** See President Lange's column in the News Letter. The government has been funded through September by a House bill. We expect the Senate to approve as well and the President to sign it..

**Personal Affairs:** Personal Affairs are outlined in Lee Lange's article in the recent News Letter. There is information on the personal cost of taxes for veterans and military members in each state. Arizona is not listed very high.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**



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**Surviving Spouses** – Susan Farrell -She has called all of the surviving spouses asking them to renew their membership. She is still volunteering at the Veterans Home for bingo. We send money for refreshments. Susan says they need financial help for the National Memorial Ladies. They help out at the National Cemetery. We will check on sending some financial help from MOAA. The need is about \$250. President Lange will get information and bring it back to the board.

**Transition Liaison Jobs** – Jim Draper. He got a call from a school on the west side of town. They are looking for a part time security officer. Jim referred this request to the proper MOAA state level person who can send out the information to people who might be interested

**Newsletter** – The newsletter has been awarded a 5-star award for 2016 This will be awarded later. Jim Cullison was given a big applause for his efforts with the News Letter. The award will be presented to the chapter at the MOAA Council meeting. .

**Webmaster** – The website also received a 5-star award for 2016. This award will be given at a later meeting. Congratulations to Rob Welch.

**JROTC Program** – The awards are going well. They almost all have been given out.

**MSVA/MANA House Liaison** – Ron Green said that the American Legion provided money for this effort.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Golf Tournament: There were 77 players. Early figures show that we made about \$2600 net. This is higher than last year. Next year Pat will need help and Jack Farley along with the Fundraising Committee will help him.

The Arizona National Guard held its annual meeting April 21-22. Our Chapter had a table for information on National membership. They only recruited 7 members. Question is whether it is worth the effort.

Memorial Day this year is May 29<sup>th</sup>. Lee Lange with other members of our Chapter will perform the color guard at the Phoenix National Cemetery. The chapter will also participate in the wreath laying ceremony. Ron Bright and Janet Stultz will help as will Bruce Kosaveach.

Summer Social Event. It was decided to attend the Baseball game July 9<sup>th</sup> vs Cincinnati Reds. Jim Cullison will pursue this.

**NEW BUSINESS:**



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Scholarship Fund Raising Ideas. It has been decided that the wine tasting was too much work to justify the returns, at least not in the near future. Another idea is to donate clothes and shoes and turn them to Savers for cash. This was just discussed. Another idea was a book fair. The fundraising committee will meet and talk about it.

The nominating committee has to be set up to choose the officers and BOD and committee chairs for next year. There is a three-member committee. Dave Price will lead the committee and Bruce Kosaveach volunteered to sit on the committee. We will also find an at large member to sit on committee.

Meeting Greeters – Susan Farrell and Janet Lange

Duty Officer for the next Chapter meeting Bruce Kosaveach

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Bill Rocher will act as the Treasurer for the May meeting. Credit cards cannot be used.

**Next Chapter Meeting** – This will be September 16, 2017

Next Board Meeting – This will be September 7, 2017

**Adjournment:** At 10:45 a motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and passed.

Respectively submitted, Paul L. Schnur, MD, Secretary

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