# Minutes of the February General Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

21 February 2005

Call to Order: President Dan Conway called the General Membership Dinner Meeting to order at 7:00 PM. on 17 February 2005 at the Sunshine Hotel. Chaplain Robert Rutherford gave the Invocation. Dan Conway led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Officers, General Members, and Guests. Total people present: **26**. Members and Guests introduced themselves.

Minutes: The last General and Board of Directors meeting minutes were distributed.

Dinner was served and enjoyed by all.

## **Board of Directors Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report**: Reference was made to the previously distributed February 2005 BOD Minutes. **Legislative:** (Gary Fredricks) –

**National Level:** MOAA is now addressing readiness issues that were not previously considered. The President's budget is austere, see MOAA website. While at the web site note the 33 goal proposed, 15 of those goals reflect issues of concern to those already retired. Two goals, **repeal** the SBP-DIC offset and move up the effective date of paid up SBP premiums to October 2005. All members are encourage to sign stamp and mail the four letters bound into the latest issue of the *Military Officer* 

State Level: Dan Conway and Gary Fredricks attended the United Arizona Veterans committee meeting where local veterans' issues were discussed including a new veterans' cemetery in northern Arizona

### **Old/Unfinished Business: None**

#### New Business

1. **Dan Conway** stated that a suggestion box with pen and paper provided was set up on a table in the front of the room. He is looking for new ideas, improvements, etc.

2. Evelyn Crosby has been injured in an accident and is recovering in Scottsdale Memorial.

3. Terry Tassin is looking for new advertising copy for The Sentinel.

4. Still have open positions to fill: Bulletin Editor, Flag detail, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, and Membership chairman:

#### **10-Minute Break**

**Guest Speaker** – **Dan Conway** introduced the honored speaker, Dan Morris, Attorney. Topic: "When Loved Ones Pass Away Senior survival Workshop, Estate Planning.". Mr. Morris handed out material prepared for the meeting. He went over the basics of estate planning, his major message was to sit down with your spouse and plan your estate. After speaking he was presented with an MOAA Tumbler Set in appreciation of his presentation to the members of the Chapter.

**Chapter 50/50 raffle** was held with \$30 being paid out and \$30 entered into the Scholarship account. Chet Baumer won the \$10 prize and Betty Green won the \$20 prize.

#### Benediction was given by Chaplain Robert Rutherford.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Submitted:

John Gerometta, Chapter Secretary