

**Minutes of the SEPTEMBER 2008 Board of Director's Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA**

**Call to Order:** The President called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM, Thursday, September 4, 2008 at the State Veteran's Home on N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Phoenix with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Terry Tassin, Frank & Velma Birtciel, Bill Johnson, Chet Baumer, Ron Perkins, Ron Worthington, Chuck Schluter, Dan Conway, Jim Cullison and Ron Drew.

**Minutes:** The previously promulgated Minutes of the last Board of Director's meeting (May) were approved.

**Officer/Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Johnson provided a current budget balance sheet with all income listed as well as all expenses to date. He also reported the present status of fund accounts:

General Checking:	\$7,813.61
<u>Scholarship:</u>	<u>\$8,056.93</u>
Total Accounts:	\$15,870.54

**Membership:** Terry Tassin reported that we have 185 members as of 9/6/08. Dan Conway reported that we have nine "Give Me Ten" members, four new and five who upgraded to Life Members. He also expressed confidence that the National Recruiting Campaign starting in October 1 would help us bring in new members. Terry Tassin handed out a letter from MOAA Headquarters that detailed the recruiting plan.

**Newsletter:** The entire board congratulated Jim Cullison on his first outstanding publication of the Sentinel as the editor.

**Personal Affairs:** Dan Conway has sent out letters to the spouses of our deceased members and offered them any assistance they might need.

**Arrangements:** September 20<sup>th</sup> luncheon will be for the Employer Support for Guard/Reserve (ESGR) awards to recognize local employers. Chuck Schuler is working on the program script.

**Programs:** October 18<sup>th</sup>, Oktoberfest, music by Don Ford, dancing and a silent auction. November 15<sup>th</sup>, Special event! The Chapter will host a barbeque picnic, present our 2008 chapter Meritorious Service awards and elect our officers for 2009. This special event will be catered by Famous Dave's Bar-B-Q. December 20<sup>th</sup>, music by Don Ford and a Chinese Auction. We are also looking for a good deed project for December. Dan Conway will check into the Arizona Guard and Reserve Family Assistance Fund as a possibility.

**Meritorious Service Awards:** Ron Drew reported that he would have a list of nominees and their citations for the board by 25 September

**Guest Presenter:** Shane Gibson, Co-founder, CEO of "defendersown.com" briefed the board on a new social network designed exclusively for the military community.

**2009 Staff Nominating Committee:** Ron Perkins reported that all officer positions except for secretary had nominees. The committee is still looking for a volunteer to take over the secretary position. If anyone is interested please contact Ron at 480-961-8632. Also we are looking for someone to assist Bill Johnson with the Treasurer duties. If interested in helping out contact Ron at the above number.

**Alaska Cruise June 3, 2009:** The Tucson Chapter is making arrangements for a cruise to Alaska, leaving June 3, 2009, from San Francisco and returning ten days later to San Francisco. Full details will be available in September and will be handed out at the COC meeting in Green valley.

**Meeting Share A Ride:** Ron Drew reported that no one has contacted him for a ride to the Sept 20 luncheon.

**Old Business:**

**Luncheon Greeters for the Sept meeting:** Ron Perkins and Chuck Schuler **Oct:** Ron Worthington and Ron Green; **Nov:** Frank Birtciel

**New Business:**

**Fall golf Tournament:** Terry Tassin reported that there were 58 participants signed up. The tournament will be at Painted Mountain golf course.

**Veteran's Hall of Fame Induction Information (Oct 23/24):** If interested in attending, go to the web site and sign up.

**September 20 AZ Council of Chapters meeting:** Gary Fredricks will attend and represent our Chapter.

**Chapter President's Symposium-Oct16-18:** Ron Perkins and Dan Conway will attend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM

Submitted,

Ron Perkins, AZ Chapter MOAA Secretary