

## Minutes of the JANUARY 2009 Board of Director's Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

**Call to Order:** The President called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM, Thursday, January 8, 2009 at the State Veteran's Home on N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Phoenix with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Terry Tassin, Gary & Marie Fredricks, Ron Perkins, Ron Green, Dan Conway, and Jim Cullison.

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

### Officer/Committee Reports:

**Treasurer's Report:** Terry Tassin reported the present status of fund accounts:

General Checking: \$7,365.84; Scholarship: \$10,637.23; Petty Cash \$50.00; Total Accounts \$18,073.07

**Historian:** Jim Cullison has met with Frank Birtciel for the turnover of all historical records. Jim will update the Web Historian page before the end of January.

**JROTC Medals:** Terry Tassin reported that he has all the required medals and has the letters ready to send out to the schools. He needs volunteers for presentations at the annual JROTC award ceremonies. If you are interested, contact Terry Tassin 623-931-1546.

**Membership:** Terry Tassin reported that approximately 52% of the 200 members have paid their dues for 2009. Dan Conway will start mailing out reminder letters after the 17 January 2009 luncheon. Dan Conway reported that the chapter had finished the year with eleven "Give Me Ten" new members. Terry Tassin reported that out of the National Cover Wrap Recruiting Program we received sixteen names and out of those we signed up six new members. The chapter will receive \$15 per person signed up under the wrap program.

**Legislative:** Gary Fredricks encouraged everyone to review the latest **Legislative News** in the December edition of the **Military Officer**. There were a total of six pages of very important issues that affect retirees and active duty personnel. He suggested that the top three priorities for MOAA would be: 1. Retaining the DOD Budget level; 2. Prevent the increase of Tri-Care fees; 3. Reduce the inequities of survivor benefits.

**Personal Affairs:** Dan Conway proposed a Personal Affairs Workshop be held for interested members. Possible topics would include: Help Your Survivor Now. Personal affairs workbook, Aging into Medicare & Tricare For Life, Power of Attorney, MOAA Estate Planning, Just Give Me The Answers, Pay on Death, and Personnel Officer Experiences. The February Sentinel will query the membership to find out if there is enough interest to hold the workshop. If there is sufficient interest, the workshop would probably be held in April with the date, time and place to be determined.

**Programs:** Terry Tassin reported the program for January 17<sup>th</sup> luncheon will have guest speaker Dr. Bill Wolfe renowned expert on WW II aircraft and air dropped munitions. **You won't want to miss this.** His collection of WW II aerial combat books, magazines, photographs, hundreds of reels of microfilm and over 800 videos is probably the largest private WW II collections in the world. His ninth book on WW II air combat is due for release in March 2009 followed by two volume set in late 2009. The February 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon will have as guest speaker "Vicki Mullens" author of "I Want You to Know Me". **If you have children or grand children you won't want to miss this one either.**

**Arrangements:** Ron Perkins, incoming president, signed the 2009 Catering contract with McCormick Ranch.

### Old Business:

**Luncheon Greeters: Jan:** Gary and Marie Fredricks

**Feb:** Terry and Fran Tassin

**Secretary:** A volunteer to fill the secretary position is still being sought, interested individuals please contact Ron Perkins 480-961-8632.

### New Business:

**Installation of 2009 staff:** President Terry Tassin will swear in the new 2009 staff at the January 17 luncheon.

**Communication Awards submission:** Terry Tassin submitted the Awards package on 2 Jan and has already received confirmation that MOAA received it.

**AZ Council of Chapter Dues:** Terry Tassin asked Bill Roscher to send a check for \$78.50 (157x.50) to the AZ Council for our dues.

**Next BOD Meeting:** 5 February 2009

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM

Submitted,

Ron Perkins, AZ Chapter MOAA Secretary