

THE ARIZONA CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America Arizona's First Chapter



Minutes of the November 1, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

Call to Order: President John Ady called the meeting to order at 1030 hours, Thursday, November 1, 2012 at the National Guard Distance Learning Center, 5636 E. McDowell Road, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: John Ady, Nancy Burt, Jim Cullison, Jim Draper, Frank Hoak, Leonore Hoak, Ron Perkins, Rob Welch.

Officer & Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: John Ady reported the General Fund balance is \$11,383.61; Scholarship Fund is \$12,879.20; Petty Cash is \$50.00 for a grand total of \$24,312.81.

Legislative: John Ady reported for Gary Fredricks that the ongoing issue of sequestration is taking the forefront in MOAA news and efforts. MOAA is hoping to have a January 2013 deal.

Membership: Ron Perkins reported that the total Chapter membership is 221; comprised of 181 Regular and 40 Auxiliary members.

MOAA National is taking an active role in helping Chapters to recruit new members; a letter from National was sent to area members asking if there was an interest in joining the local Chapter – Ron Perkins made the follow up contacts; this month's MOAA magazine has a postcard insert again asking if National members are interested in joining local Chapters. A \$15.00 incentive is being offered from National MOAA to local Chapters during October & November to offset new member fees. At this time much better data from/to National is assisting with recruitment. National MOAA has advised that their emphasis next year will be to assist Chapter's increase their membership rosters. There are also discussions regarding payment methods/options that will be announced in the new year.

The November 3 Army - Air Force football tailgate party at Nimbus Café provides a good opportunity to bring in a new member to socialize in an informal setting and perhaps sign up.

Arrangements: November and December meetings are set.

Auxiliary Members & Wives: Nancy Burt will represent the Chapter at the November 14 luncheon in support of the National Memorial Ladies for their work with veterans and their families at the Cave Creek Cemetery. A Chapter donation of \$200.00 was sent and graciously acknowledged by Rosemary Ware; Nancy will present a ceremonial check at the event. The Chapter will continue to promote National Memorial Ladies and their good works.

A motion was made by Nancy Burt and seconded by Rob Welch to honor our Auxiliary members and their new status as full voting members of MOAA; a special invitation will be extended to attend the December general meeting – the Chapter will host all Auxiliary members wishing to attend and pay for their lunch.

Nancy Burt & Leonore Hoak will order and mail from the Chapter Thanksgiving cards to our Auxiliary members; our commitment to keeping in touch with our members who are unable to attend regular meetings. A motion was made by Ron Perkins and seconded by Frank Hoak to

allow up to a \$125.00 reimbursement for cards and mailing; motion was approved by Board members present.

Newsletter: Our award winning newsletter continues under the direction and devotion of Jim Cullison.

Website: Rob Welch made note our new Chapter website www.AZMOAA.org is up and running. Members will be seamlessly redirected from the old site to the new. Rob has renewed the website with GoDaddy for another 5 years. A motion to reimburse Rob for the \$369.84 (5 year) fee was approved by the Board.

Fund Raising Questionnaire: Frank Hoak reported on the low response to the Chapter's travel questionnaire. With the need to find new sources to fund our scholarship program, President John Ady requested that a Committee be set up to review the travel options. Committee members John Ady, Rob Welch and Jim Cullison will meet with travel advisors Frank & Leonore Hoak to discuss these options in the next few weeks.

OLD BUSINESS

2012 MSA Awards: Committee Chair Jim Cullison presented the MSA Committee recommendations for this year: Nancy Burt, Beth Cullison, Ron Green, Frank Hoak III, Leonore Hoak, Rob Welch and JoAnn Roscher. A motion to accept the Committee recommendations was made by Rob Welch and seconded by Ron Perkins; motion was accepted by Board members present. Awards will be presented at the November luncheon.

Senior/Lifetime Chapter Membership: A request was made by Dan Conway to review the Chapter's rules on senior/lifetime membership status. After a Board discussion of several relevant issues, a motion was made by Board members present to resolve at the December BOD meeting with Ron Perkins preparing a final recommendation for the Board to consider.

Scholarship Fund: Rob Welch provided a revised copy of the rules and regulations for the 2013 Scholarship Program. Motion was made by Ron Perkins and seconded by Jim Cullison for approval; motion was passed by Board members present. A copy of the revised COI is attached for reference.

NEW BUSINESS

AUSA Donation: A motion was made and unanimously approved by the Board to give a \$200.00 donation to support the Territorial Chapter of the Association of U S Army Jr ROTC November Career Day. Several Board members will attend the November luncheon meeting.

AZ Homeless Veterans Stand Down: New date for Stand Down will be March 8/9/10, 2013. Several Board and Chapter members have volunteered at the AZ State Fair to help defray the cost of the Stand Down Coliseum rental fee.

Board Member – Marie Fredricks: Marie will be stepping down from her duties at the end of 2012. To honor Marie for her years of tireless work on behalf of our MOAA Chapter, a motion was made by Rob Welch and seconded by Jim Draper to present a \$100.00 Gift Card to Marie

at the December meeting; motion was passed by Board members present. John Ady will purchase a Visa gift card and a thank you card prior to December luncheon for presentation at that time.

AZ Council of Chapters: A request was made at the last AZ Council Meeting in October for all 9 Arizona MOAA Chapters to support the World War II Memorial that will be placed at the state capitol. The prorated cost is \$1.00 per regular or lifetime member, this will amount to \$181.00 for our Chapter, and will allow for a AZ Council commemorative plague at the site. The proposal was passed at the Council meeting unanimously. In turn, Ron Perkins made a motion, seconded by Frank Hoak to pay our share of \$181.00. The motion passed unanimously and John Ady will send the details to the Treasurer for payment as soon as possible. .

Toys For Tots: Toys will be collected at both the November and December General Meetings. Terry Tassin will take the toys to the USMC collection point.

Expense Reimbursement: A request was made by President John Ady for reimbursement of travel expenses incurred attending the MOAA National Meeting in Washington DC in October. A motion to reimburse John for his \$571.09 expenses was made by Frank Hoak and seconded by Jim Draper; the motion was passed by all Board members in attendance.

Member's Spotlight: Board Member Jim Draper will give his presentation at the November Meeting. Jim was postponed from the September meeting.

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Scholarship Fund Raising: Several volunteer options are being reviewed to add cash to the coffers: wrapping Christmas gifts at Amazon warehouse. Baseball Spring Training work for donations, etc. Members will be kept apprised as the need for volunteers are presented.

2013 Hall of Fame: Nominations are already being accepted for the 2013 Class. John Ady asked the Board to think about one or more individuals from the Chapter that we could nominate. This issue will be further discussed at the January 2013 Board Meeting so any recommendations on behalf of the Chapter can be submitted promptly. Further information is available online from the AZ Veteran's Hall of Fame website or by talking to members of the Chapter that are in the Hall of Fame (Ron Perkins, Gary Fredricks, Chuck Schluter).

Greeters: November - Ron & Betty Perkins December - Frank & Leonore Hoak

Adjournment: 1216 Hours

Respectfully submitted.

Secretary

Leonore K, Hoak

SUMMARY: All motions to pay requested funds were approved and passed by Board Members present. Reimbursement checks to Rob Welch for \$369.84 and John Adv for \$571.09; Donation of \$181.00 to Arizona Council of Chapters; Thank You Gift for Marie Fredricks of \$100.00 to John Ady for purchase of Visa gift card.