



**THE ARIZONA CHAPTER**  
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**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ron Bright called the meeting to order at 10:35 am, at the above address. President Bright led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Ron Bright, Mike Rogers, Lee and Janet Lange, Bruce Kosaveach, Jon Shawl, Jack Farley, David Boyd, Charlie Bitner, and Bob Hinton (on phone).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Ron announced that David Price and Rob Welch could not attend the meeting.
2. Ron received following report from Rob Welch: Website has been updated with new officers and committee chairs listed. The 5 star Commo award application has been submitted to National. Golf shirts have been ordered. ETA is unknown.

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

**Secretary's report:** The minutes of the last BOD meeting had been emailed to the BOD. Motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion passed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed. Motion was made to approve the minutes of January Chapter meeting. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Charlie Bitner reported that the General Fund is at \$5,790.19. The Scholarship Fund has \$26,767.43; for a Grand Total of \$32,757.62.

**SPECIAL REPORTS:** See Announcements above.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**MEMBERSHIP:** David Price had given following report to Ron: there are 147 regular members, 20 surviving spouses, for a total of 167. He stated that 84 members have paid dues. Col. Joe Skiva joined last month. Discussed starting having a member sponsor surviving spouse, in case the \$10.00 annual fee was a burden. Susan Farrell is liaison to surviving spouses, and reaches out to them to see how they are doing.



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**Scholarships:** Jon Shawl reported that it appears (deadline for submission is 2/2/18), that there is not an Army applicant so far. Since the balance for scholarships is healthy, motion was made and passed that there will be 3 recipients in the amount of \$2,500.00 for each winner; he/she will be invited to Chapter luncheon to accept award.

**PROGRAMS:** Bruce stated that Colonel from Ft. Huachuca will be speaker at February 17 Chapter meeting. Speaker for March will Tom Kirk, a POW from Viet Nam. April will be Scholarship luncheon (wear miniature medals or uniform if you have one).

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Special dietary arrangements for Chapter luncheons are still available.

**LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS:** Congress has passed another Continuing Resolution, which is scheduled to expire in a few days.

**PERSONAL AFFAIRS:** Lee announced that MOAA will offer Dental/Vision insurance coverage to members; it will be the same plan as that of Federal employees. Insureds must elect coverage during open enrollment period TBA.

**SURVIVING SPOUSES:** Dave stated he had ordered 22 Surviving spouse pins; arrival date is pending.

**TRANSITION LIAISON:** No report.

**NEWSLETTER:** Janet has published latest edition of "The Sentinel". Final deadline for submission of articles is 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**JROTC PROGRAM:** New chair is John Simmons.

**MSVA/MANA HOUSE LIAISON:** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** MOAA LOE Submissions Committee: President appointed Lee Lange and Dan Conway to committee.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Portillo's restaurant fundraiser was 11 Jan 18. We discussed having fundraiser on quarterly basis. \$300.00 was raised at this event (includes donations received separately from actual event).

Golf Tourney will be held on 19 April at the Starfire course. Jack Farley reported having canvassed local golf courses for prize donations.



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**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Duty Officer: February Duty Officer: Bob Hinton. Mike Rogers asked for correction that he will be duty officer in October. February greeters will be Dave and Elizabeth Boyd

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 11:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted, David Boyd, Secretary

Four vertical red arrows pointing downwards, arranged in a row. They are positioned above the MOAA logo.

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