

# MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

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## MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

Thursday, February 4, 2010

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Meeting was called to order by Exec Vice President Jim Cunningham at 0900 hrs. A quorum was present and acting throughout the meeting.

**Attendees:** Col Vaughn Caudill, Col Irene Collier, Col Al Cote, Col David Patrick, LtCol Ginny Alloway, LTC Randy Hoff, LtCol Fred Koechley, LtCol Cheryl Smith, LTC Chaplain James Taylor, LtCol David Walker, Maj Jim Cunningham, Maj Len Mull, Maj Josh Welch, Lt George Frecsko, Mavis Cleary, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.

Invocation by Chaplain Taylor and Pledge led by Jim Cunningham.

**Secretary:** Col David Patrick – Minutes were reviewed, made a matter of record and approved for filing.

**President:** LtCol Ed Marvin - Absent.

**Executive VP Operations:** Maj Jim Cunningham – Report to be covered under other headings.

**Vice President Administration:** (Open) Jim Cunningham advised responses to ROTC letters are being received. Still looking for ROTC coordinator as Bill Filipini declined the position. Volunteer presenters also needed.

**VP Membership:** LTC Randy Hoff – Referring to membership chart the drop in numbers was expected following the annual dues solicitation. 277 Active Duty, 251 Auxiliary and 568 Retired for a total of 1096. Enrollment forms available in the office. Advised MOAA will promote another cover wrap campaign for free membership in the local chapter. With assistance from Jim Finch who laid the groundwork with the Executive Director of BAMC Randy is working on setting up recruiting table in BAMC Cafeteria. Thanked Jim Cunningham for his assistance at the recent Extravaganza where 15 new members were signed up.

**VP Programs:** (Open) – Jim Cunningham advised Valentines Dance was cancelled due to lack of participation. RAFB Parr Club cancellation fee of \$200 may be reduced to \$75 if chapter agrees to move Christmas Party from Ballroom to Sky Lounge. Jim Cunningham to check on presence of elevator. Josh Welch (MC for Valentine Dance) advised low participation likely due to proximity to Christmas Dance, dues renewal, Golf tournament and competing with RAFB Club Dance. A function later in the year would likely be more successful.

**Treasurer:** Col Vaughn Caudill – Reviewed financials. Outreach donations already at half of budget. Expecting the majority of the Golf Tournament monies to come in during February. Operations account has received half the projected dues for the year and is already over the projected donations. The January luncheon recorded a loss of \$2.10.



MOAA Operations Account  
FY10 Income

	01/01/09	JAN	YTD	FY 09 Budget
Donations				
Chapter		\$1,210.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,000.00
Dues				
MOAA National				\$3,000.00
New Aux				
New Members		70.00	70.00	
Renewal Aux		1,020.00	1,020.00	
Renewal Memb		5,310.00	5,310.00	
Active				
TOTAL		6,400.00	6,400.00	\$12,000.00
Interest				\$75.00
Shirt Sales				\$250.00
Other				\$200.00
Advertising				
Lariat				\$12,000.00
Directory				\$4,000.00
Sponsorship				\$750.00
Social Events				\$0.00
	Income	Expenses	Results	
January	915.00	917.10	-2.10	
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				
	\$915.00	917.00	-2.10	
TOTAL INCOME		\$7,607.90	\$7,607.90	\$33,275.00



**Consultant:** Maj Len Mull – Requested copies of Quarterfolds be available at each luncheon. Irene Collier to collect on the Tuesday before and deliver.

**TOPS:** Col David Patrick – Nothing to report.

**Special Activities Representative:** Susie Tolman – Reminded all of the Volunteer of the Year Award. Discussion resulted in Trish to send out email for nominees and top five to be voted on.

**AFV Satellite:** Lt Col Ginny Alloway – AFV II planning to hold a parade for July 4<sup>th</sup> and asked if anyone had a contact for an antique car that could carry a MOAA banner. Jim Cunningham might have a contact. Had forwarded an email from General Swan to Ed Marvin re his willingness to be a program speaker.

**Advertising Coordinator:** Lt Col David Walker – Was not aware of any progress made with Corporate Sponsorship program, Jim Cunningham to speak with Ed.

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Col Dale VandeHey – Absent. No Report.

**Solitaires:** Mavis Cleary – Provided copies of latest Solitaire's roster.

**VP Personal Affairs:** Col Dave Padden – Absent. Report submitted by email. Four deaths noted in January, 3 retired and 1 auxiliary member.

**Chaplain:** Chaplain Taylor – Advised he willing to assist in Personal Affairs duties, visiting bereaved families and attending funerals, etc. He is also the chaplain for the American Legion and the Inn at Los Patios.

**PR & Marketing:** LtCol Cheryl Smith – Sold 4 shirts and submitted \$80 to Trish for deposit. Advised chapter is participating in KLRN Telethon on evenings of March 10 and 17<sup>th</sup> and needs 12 volunteers for each night. Still looking for PR & Marketing assistant.

**VP Legislative Affairs:** Col Al Cote – Knowledge of San Antonio politics is limited. In process of setting up meeting with Senator Van de Putte. Also plans to meet with Ed Marvin and Jim Cunningham and finalize battle plan and priorities.

**VP Logistics:** LtCol Fred Koechley – Looked at the chapter wreath but determined it didn't need repair. Flag covers have been ordered from Dixie Flag Company.

**Duty Officer:** Col Irene Collier – Office will be closed on Presidents' Day, 15 Feb. All Duty Officer slots for February have been filled. George Frecsko advised volunteers hours for January have been submitted to Ft Sam Volunteer Services and he has requested a meeting with Brian Dougherty to see if the process can be improved upon.

#### **Old Business:**

1. Communications Award – Jim Cunningham has submitted the chapter's entry for the Communications Award in the categories of Newsletter, Legislative Reporting and the Quarterfold. Results should be known in April.
2. The Membership Directory was discussed but resulted in no conclusions.

#### **New Business:**

1. American Flag – Josh Welch has donated a flag and pole to the chapter that should be taken to outside events.
2. Veterans Community Action Team (VCAT) – Jim advised VCAT was meeting the next day to set up the core group who will be in charge of finishing off the project and looking at how it will be funded. VCAT is formulating a plan to bring all Veteran support organizations together with a single point of contact.
3. Jim has been elected Vice Chairman of the Texas Coalition of Veterans which is sponsored by the Texas Veterans Commission. The veterans scratch off lottery ticker had already earned \$2 million and is set to make an award of \$1million. MOAA-AC is not currently a dues paying member of TCV, the cost is \$50 a year.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 4 at the MOAA-AC Offices at 0900.  
MEETING ADJOURNED at 10.24 am.



