

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

Thursday, March 4, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Ed Marvin at 0900 hrs. A quorum was present and acting throughout the meeting.

Attendees: Col Vaughn Caudill, Col Irene Collier, Col Kerry Green, Col Ed Marvin, Col Dave Padden, Col David Patrick, LtCol Ginny Alloway, LTC Randy Hoff, LtCol Fred Koechley, LtCol Ed Lefebvre, LtCol Cheryl Smith, LtCol David Walker, Maj Len Mull, Lt George Frecsko, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.

Invocation and Pledge by President Ed Marvin.

Secretary: Col David Patrick – Minutes were reviewed and approved for filing.

President: LtCol Ed Marvin - Thanked David Patrick for his leadership in the chapter and also with TCC and advised David had been reappointed as TCC Secretary. Advised MOAA national has a new travel agency and is hoping to have a travel show in San Antonio in the near future.

Executive VP Operations: Maj Jim Cunningham – Absent. Has pneumonia. Get well soon! Ed mentioned both Jim and his wife, Cheryl, were honored with prestigious awards at the TCC meeting. Report submitted by email: Working on continued branding of the Chapter by representation on several committees, groups and organizations. As Chairman of the VCAT for Bexar County/San Antonio, we are meeting to work out details of the organization, how we will move forward, possibly rename the group to reflect its vision and begin forming Committee heads as well as funding options. This is an effort being worked on not only by MOAA, but the San Antonio Coalition of Veterans (SACV) and Hope is for Heroes.

MOAA is also one of the members of Senator Van de Putte's selection committee for the first annual Texas Armed Services Scholarship. This is a \$10,000 per year scholarship awarded to ONE Senior selected from applicants of any high School within the Senators district. The Senior must commit to attend, be commissioned from any Texas ROTC program and serve with either the Texas Army or Air National Guard or any uniformed service upon graduation with a Bachelor's degree. This was one of the laws that was passed in the 81st Session. Each State Senator may select one Senior from their district each year. The selection committee will meet on March 8th and make its selection.

The Texas Military Coalition is still evaluating charges that were given to the House and Senate Committees for legislative consideration in the 82nd session for 2011. In addition, we are in discussion with the Committees regarding some enhancements that we would like to see in Disabled Veteran exemptions regarding spouses, continuity of exemption and calculation of amounts of exemption. As more information develops it will be reported out to the Coalition and we will hear about it as well.

Vice President Administration: (Open) Jim Cunningham submitted his report by email: JROTC/ROTC schedule is growing. There are several presentations in March, for which presenters are needed, but is most concerned about April. He will be in Washington from April 14-23 and there are several presentation during that period, which need covering. In particular, we have an AFROTC ceremony for UTSA on April 16 that will be dual duty. One will be to present the MOAA Award and the second will be to present Gold Bars for the newly commissioned cadets. It is projected that there will be 27 Cadets who will receive their commissions. If possible, President Marvin or another senior Air Force staff officer (Kerry Green?) should make this presentation. Schedule was passed around.

VP Membership: LTC Randy Hoff – Membership numbers are steady. Currently at 1100 (274 Active, 253 Auxiliary and 573 Retired). Has experienced set back in obtaining permission for a recruitment table at BAMC as MOAA-AC's validation to operate on Ft Sam had expired. All requirements have been submitted except for bi-annual audit. Received list from MOAA national of plus ten thousand names who are members of MOAA but not of the chapter. Will set up calling committee to try and recruit. Ginny offered to call on those in Air Force Villages, so Trish to sort the list accordingly. Advised that the joint basing in San Antonio will be the largest in DoD's inventory with 8,000 employees in the Ft Sam, Lackland, Randolph and Camp Bullis areas.

VP Programs: (Open) – Ed Marvin advised speaker for March 25 is Judge Nelson Wolff, requested Cheryl submit the press releases. Cheryl mentioned it was difficult to submit press release outside the military newspapers as luncheons preclude general public unless they are officers. May Scholarship meeting will feature General Swan as speaker. Picnic details will be in upcoming Lariat. It was suggested there should be reservation coupons for the next two functions in the Lariat to maximize attendance.

Treasurer: Vaughn Caudill – Advised his boss is retiring in June and his plate will be even fuller in the coming months. It was agreed the Audit Committee should be Jack Downey, Jack Neal and Mike Bidus. David Patrick to contact Jack Downey, Ed Marvin to contact the other 2. Golf tournament has brought in about \$7,000 so far, last year it was about \$9,000 total. Donations to the Outreach account are over \$3,500. Membership dues are currently \$4,000 less than expected. No income yet from advertising. Golf tournament – looks as if donations are down over last year. February expenses were \$380+ over what was taken in.

	As of 01/31/09	FEB	YTD	FY10 Budget
Income				\$5,000.00
Donations	\$2,815.00	\$705.00	\$3,520.00	
Golf Tournament				
IN	\$775.00	\$4,505.00	\$5,280.00	
Out				
TOTAL				\$5,000.00
Total Income	\$3,590.00	\$5,210.00	\$8,800.00	\$10,000.00
OUTFLOWS				
Charity				
Wounded Warr				\$2,500.00
Red Cross				\$500.00
VA				\$500.00
TOTAL				\$3,500.00
Scholarships				
Savings Bonds				\$300.00
				\$1,000.00
				\$1,000.00
				\$1,000.00
				\$3,000.00
TOTAL				\$6,300.00
Total Outflow				\$9,800.00
Increase in fund	\$3,590.00	\$5,210.00	\$8,800.00	\$200.00
BALANCES	31-Jan-09			
Eisenhower	\$15,520.60			
RBFUC				
Savings	\$927.04			
Money Market	\$6,513.27			
Checking	\$81.25			
Certificates	\$8,830.70			
Total RBFUC	\$16,352.26			
USAA	\$15,411.79			

Operations Budget Income					Operations Budget Outflow				
	01/31/09	FEB	YTD	FY 09 Budget	Category	As of 01/31	FEB	YTD	Budget
Donations					Bank Charge/Int		\$113.75	\$113.75	100.00
Chapter	\$1,210.00	\$335.00	\$1,545.00	\$1,000.00	Board & Staff Mtg				100.00
Dues					Branding				500.00
MOAA National				\$3,000.00	Dues & Subscript	200.00	\$25.00	\$225.00	350.00
New Aux					Independent Contr	765.00	720.00	1,485.00	10,000.00
New Members	70.00	30.00	100.00		D&O Insurance				463.00
Renewal Aux	1,020.00	330.00	1,350.00		Liability Insurance		350.00	350.00	350.00
Renewal Memb	5,310.00	1,255.00	6,565.00		Wreath				150.00
TOTAL	6,400.00	1,615.00	8,015.00	\$12,000.00	Marketing				1,000.00
Interest				\$75.00	Office	184.51	182.84	367.35	2,000.00
Shirt Sales		80.00	80.00	\$250.00	Postage & Delivery	185.00	5.95	190.95	1,000.00
Other				\$200.00	Lariat				
Advertising					Printing	803.68	755.45	1,559.13	9,600.00
Lariat				\$12,000.00	Postage	1,500.00			2,400.00
Directory				\$4,000.00	Solitares		28.98	28.98	250.00
Sponsorship				\$750.00	Telephone	93.01	101.55	194.56	1,200.00
Social Events				\$0.00	Volunteer Recogn				500.00
	Income	Expenses	Results		Miscellaneous				100.00
January	915.00	917.10	-2.10		Membership				750.00
February		75.00	-75.00		Focus Groups				300.00
March					Personal Affairs				150.00
April					Flag Covers		60.00	60.00	100.00
May					Directory				
June					Printing				3,600.00
July					Postage				350.00
August									
September					Total Outflows	\$3,731.20	\$2,343.52	\$6,074.72	35,313.00
October									
November					Results	\$3,876.70	-\$388.52	\$3,488.18	-2,038.00
December									
	\$915.00	992.10	-77.10						
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,607.90	\$1,955.00	\$9,562.90	\$33,275.00					

Task Review:

- 1) AFV Satellite Rep on Board. Ed to follow up on names given to him by Ginny. No update.
- 2) 50th Anniversary Committee. Cheryl Smith. Working on setting up committee.
- 3) Corporate Sponsorship. Ed Marvin. No update.
- 4) Critique Card. Cheryl & Len have produced an updated survey that will be handed out at the next 3 social programs.
- 5) AFV Advertising. Received request for one month's worth. Jim Cunningham and David Patrick to meet with AFV re use of MOAA's mailing list and will encourage Lariat advertising.
- 6) Marketing: Cheryl Smith reviewing clip Art with Len for magnets. Ready to go with the Oxford Shirt. Will do mass email to chapter.

Buddy Program Status: No current prospects.

Staff Reports

Webmaster: Col Bill Hudson – Absent. No report. Trish advised new software is causing formatting issues when using some versions of Internet Explorer so Bill has changed look of page where newsletters are archived.

Administration: Trish Meserve – Requested calendar inputs and updates. Has sent the names of 7 volunteers to Dale. The number of members so far requesting The Lariat electronically under the new dues structure has increased to 291. Renewal dues for March and reminders for Jan and Feb are in process of being mailed out.

Consultant: Maj Len Mull – Nothing additional to report.

TOPS: Col David Patrick – Will be participating in a Career Transition day at Randolph on March 25 where he typically picks up a few new members. Received email from Dick Crampton suggesting MOAA sponsor a networking breakfast, David to find out more information.

Special Activities Representative: Susie Tolman – Received Certificate of Thanks from the Warrior and Family Support Center. Reminded all of the Volunteer of the Year Award details were due on Friday. Trish to send in more

pictures for their slideshow presentation. Ed asked Susie to find out if they wanted a reenactment of the Five Star award presentation.

AFV Satellite: Lt Col Ginny Alloway – No Report.

Advertising Coordinator: Lt Col David Walker – No report. Decision needs to be made on the Directory and get the Corporate Sponsorship program up and running.

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

Solitaires: Mavis Cleary – Absent. Report provide by Irene Collier. Meetings are being held at the Kendrick Club though last time they were unable to secure a separate room. Currently using speakers from within their group.

VP Personal Affairs: Col Dave Padden – Brought in Obituary book for all to review.

Chaplain: Chaplain Taylor – Absent. No report.

PR & Marketing: LtCol Cheryl Smith – Reminded all of upcoming KLRN volunteer and branding opportunity.

VP Legislative Affairs: Col Al Cote – Ed Lefebvre was in attendance but had nothing to report.

VP Logistics: LtCol Fred Koechley – Flag covers are here – received 10% discount from Dixie. Now will research the “flag topper” that will hold the banners

Duty Officer: Col Irene Collier – All Duty Officer slots for March are covered.

Editor: Col Kerry Green – Veterans of Greater San Antonio Association meeting was cancelled. Nothing to report on The Lariat.

Old Business:

1. VOYA – Waiting for response to final mailing re votes from Chapter and Board.
2. KLRN Branding Opportunity - Reminder to all participants to be at KLRN studios by 6pm

New Business:

1. Air Force Association – Ed Marvin advised he usually attends the Annual Awards Banquet but will be out of town.
2. Texas Military Coalition – Motion to join the Coalition for \$50 a year was made by David Patrick and seconded by both Fred Koechley and Dave Padden. Motion carried. Application form to be obtained and completed.
3. Honor Flight – Ed had asked Kerry to research the details of the honor flight. It is not affiliated with MOAA. Ed Marvin to do further research for a possible Lariat article.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 1 at the MOAA-AC Offices at 0900.
MEETING ADJOURNED at 10.55 am.



Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret), Secretary