

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

Thursday February 2, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President Jim Cunningham at 1000 hrs. A quorum was present and acting throughout the meeting.

Attendees: Col Irene Collier, Col Kerry Green, Col Stu Myers, Col David Patrick, Col Barbara Ramsey, LTC Bob Blake, LtCol Ed Marvin, LtCol Kitty Meyers, LTC Chuck Poole, LTC Jim Webb, Maj Jim Cunningham, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.
Guest: Phillip McCoy

Invocation and pledge by Jim Cunningham.
Kitty Meyers introduced Phillip McCoy.

Secretary: Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret) – Minutes from the January meeting were reviewed and approved for filing.

Treasurer: Col Vaughn Caudill, USA (Ret) – Absent. David Patrick reviewed financials. David contacted the Treasurer regarding the greater than expected number of renewals taking the 3 year option and whether that income should be split over appropriate years. Vaughn recommended we stay as is and just make allowance in future year's budgets otherwise we would have to change everything to from a cash to an accrual basis. Updated coins with new MOAA logo and JROTC medals have been ordered and received.

Outreach Account:

INCOME	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2017 Budget	Variance
Donations	2,100.00												2,100.00	\$ 7,000.00	(4,900.00)
Other													-		-
Golf Tournament													-		-
In													-		-
Out													-		-
Sub Total Golf	-												-	\$ 15,000.00	(15,000.00)
TOTAL INCOME	2,100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,100.00	\$ 22,000.00	(19,900.00)
OUTFLOWS															
Charity															
Warrior & Family Support Ctr													-	\$ 7,500.00	(7,500.00)
MOAA Heritage													-	\$ 125.00	(125.00)
Undesignated Charities													-	\$ 100.00	(100.00)
501 C 3 Application													-	\$ 850.00	(850.00)
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 8,575.00	(8,575.00)
Scholarships															
Col Torrey													-	\$ 500.00	(500.00)
Gen Herring (JROTC)													-	\$ 500.00	(500.00)
Col McCarthy (JROTC)													-	\$ 500.00	(500.00)
Chapter													-	\$ 500.00	(500.00)
ROTC Army													-	\$ 10,000.00	(10,000.00)
ROTC Air Force													-	\$ 2,000.00	(2,000.00)
ROTC Air Force (Col Ed & Ruby Marvin)													-	\$ 1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 15,000.00	(15,000.00)
TOTAL OUTFLOW	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 23,575.00	(23,575.00)
Decrease/Increase	2,100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,100.00	\$ (1,575.00)	3,675.00

Operating Account – Inflow:

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2017 Budget	Variance
Membership Dues															
MOAA National													\$0.00	\$ 1,000	-\$1,000.00
New Aux	15.00												\$15.00	\$ -	\$15.00
New Retired													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
New Active Duty													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
New Former													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Renewal Aux	295.00												\$295.00	\$ 1,200	-\$905.00
Renewal Retired	2,505.00												\$2,505.00	\$ 8,000	-\$5,495.00
Renewal Active Duty	80.00												\$80.00	\$ 700	-\$620.00
Renewal Former													\$0.00	\$ 150	-\$150.00
Total	\$ 2,895.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,895.00	\$ 11,050	-\$8,155.00
Non-Dues Revenue															
CFC													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Travel Rewards													\$0.00	\$ 500	-\$500.00
Golf Tournament													\$0.00	\$ 3,000	\$3,000.00
Merchandise (Coins/Shirts)													\$0.00	\$ 750	-\$750.00
JROTC Medals (Garza)													\$0.00	\$ 1,000	\$1,000.00
Advertising Lariat	275.00												\$275.00	\$ 20,000	-\$19,725.00
Corporate Partnership	200.00												\$200.00	\$ 1,000	-\$800.00
Donations to Chapter	1,070.00												\$1,070.00	\$ 6,000	-\$4,930.00
Donations to Outreach	1,380.00												\$1,380.00	\$ 7,000	-\$5,620.00
Social Events	1,160.00												\$1,160.00	\$ 15,000	-\$13,840.00
Total	\$ 4,085.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$4,085.00	\$ 54,250	-\$50,165.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$6,980.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,980.00	\$ 65,300	-\$58,320.00

Operating Account – Outflow:

Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2017 Budget	Variance
Bank Charge/Int													-	\$ 100	100.00
Board & Staff Mtg													-	\$ -	-
Building Costs (rent)													-	\$ -	-
Copier Mntn Agreement													-	\$ 450	450.00
Square Service Fee	36.83												36.83	\$ 475	438.17
PayPal Service Fee	28.26												28.26	\$ 400	371.74
D&O Insurance													-	\$ 675	675.00
Dues & Subscription	536.00												536.00	\$ 1,300	764.00
Golf Tournament Contr													-	\$ 650	650.00
Independent Contr	767.00												767.00	\$ 18,408	17,641.00
Lariat Postage	215.00												215.00	\$ 2,500	2,285.00
Lariat Printing	449.05												449.05	\$ 7,500	7,050.95
Liability Insurance													-	\$ 500	500.00
Marketing	871.92												871.92	\$ -	(871.92)
Membership Recruiting													-	\$ 100	100.00
Merchandise (Coins/Shirts)													-	\$ 500	500.00
Miscellaneous													-	\$ 100	100.00
Office	169.58												169.58	\$ 2,500	2,330.42
Personal Affairs													-	\$ -	-
Postage & Delivery													-	\$ 2,000	2,000.00
ROTC													-	\$ 400	400.00
JROTC Medals	916.39												916.39	\$ 1,000	83.61
Satellite Chapters													-	\$ 600	600.00
Social Events	1,066.32												1,066.32	\$ 15,000	13,933.68
Solitaires													-	\$ 100	100.00
Special Activities													-	\$ 600	600.00
Telephone	136.32												136.32	\$ 1,900	1,763.68
Trans To Outreach	2,100.00												2,100.00	\$ 7,000	4,900.00
Volunteer Recogn													-	\$ 100	100.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	7,292.67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,292.67	\$ 64,858	57,565.33
Surplus/(Deficit)	(312.67)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(312.67)	442.00	(754.67)

Reserve Balances & Social Events:

Outreach	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
RBFUCU													
Savings	\$ 7.90												
Money Market	\$16,078.43												
Checking	\$ 9.04												
Certificates	\$ 9,623.00												
Total	\$25,718.37	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Chapter Operations													
Broadway	\$34,566.73												
USAA	\$16,169.15												
Total	\$50,735.88	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Social Events	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Income	\$1,160.00												
Outgo	\$1,066.32												
Variance	\$93.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$93.68

Vice President Administration/ROTC: LTC Jim Webb, USA (Ret) – Advised he will be meeting with Dave Lynch next week to discuss his interest in helping organize the J/ROTC program along side Peter Hunt. JROTC Awards season has started and has received communications already from several schools regarding their ceremonies.

VP Membership: LTC Randy Hoff, USA (Ret) – Absent. Membership chart reviewed: Active Duty 172, Auxiliary 179 Former 32, Retired 831 totaling 1214. Editor elected not to include the chart in this month's Lariat due to the drop in numbers. Kitty is working on finding recruiting help for Randy.

VP Programs: BG Jim Doty, USA (Ret) – absent. 2017 prospective programming looks good! All menus and locations except for April have been confirmed. Alternatives for April include Independence Hill and USO. An extra email blast regarding the February luncheon will be carried out.

President: MAJ Jim Cunningham – As Chairman of the Communications Advisory Cmte for the Texas Veterans Committee their media award winner was Sig Christianson for print along with Liz Roy from KENS 5 for TV. Will be attending Commissioners meeting in Austin on Feb 8. State legislature – nothing moving on Hazelwood Act, waiting for response from Higher Education Institutions regarding their position. Proposed tax exempt status for military bringing their vehicles into Texas is being worked. MVCC – working on RFP for TexServ together with Kitty Meyers and David Patrick.

President Elect: LtCol Kitty Meyers, USAF (Ret) – May have found an assistant for Randy Hoff, and Tim Stanford may take over Transition Liaison duties. Attended TCC quarterly meeting in Waco. Topics discussed included membership dues increase, advocating in Austin and their website.

Buddy Program Status: No update.

MOAA National Update: Col Barbara Ramsey, USA (Ret) – Chapter Members can voice their positions via the www.MOAA.org website listed under the Legislation Center. If a more personal touch is preferred you can also mail your Congressional representatives your position with the inserts provided in the February issue of Military Officer.

Annual Dental cap for Active Duty may be increased

The watchword heard on Capitol Hill lately about the Tricare program is REFORM! Currently working on position papers for Tricare changes, particularly in regard to the limited number of specialists in the program, and the limit of Urgent Care visits allowed

Repeal Sequestration: Unless current law is changed, sequestration will return next year and automatically trigger deep cuts to the Defense Department.

Raise SSIA for Military Widows: Both House and Senate versions of the FY17 Defense Authorization Bill prevent the \$310 monthly allowance (SSIA) for SBP-DIC widows from expiring. But neither bill would continue previously intended increases in SSIA to make progress toward phasing out the SBP-DIC offset. The big problem is money; it's very hard for the Armed Services Committee to identify more of the "mandatory spending" funds required to raise SSIA.

Staff Reports

Transition Liaison Officer: LtCol Kitty Meyers USAF (Ret) – Together with David Patrick attending Transition Information Program (TIP). Attends weekly 502nd weekly transition meetings. Will be in attendance at the SA Community Mar 9 Job Fair hosted by the Texas Veterans Commission at OLLU. Will be attending TVC meeting in Austin on Monday.

Special Activities Representative: Susie Tolman (Auxiliary) – VAC meeting scheduled for Feb 9 at 10am.

Blue Skies West Liaison: LtCol Jim Conner, USAF (Ret) – Absent. No report.

Advertising Coordinator: (Open). No report.

Volunteer Coordinator: (Open). No report

Solitaires: Pat Shecter (Auxiliary) – Absent. Irene Collier reported the Tuesday meetings appear to be continuing to be held at Crumpets, but no speakers have been scheduled.

VP Personal Affairs: Col Stu Myers, USAF (Ret) – Two auxiliary/surviving spouses passed last month.

Chaplain: Chaplain LTC James Taylor, USA (Ret) – Absent. No report.

VP Public Relations/Marketing: LTC Charles Poole, USA (Ret) – Working with Chamber Military Affairs Committee regarding CAM week.

VP Legislative Affairs: LTC Bob Blake, USA (Ret) – MOAA 2017 Goals similar to previous years see appendix A. Doesn't feel Senator Uresti's bill to eliminate sales tax on vehicles being transferred into the state by the military will pass due to budget constraints. But it will be in the hopper for the next time.

VP Logistics: 1LT Rebekah Emery, USA (Ret) – Absent. No report.

Chapter Affairs Officer: Col Irene Collier, USAF (Ret) – Continuing to place The Lariat at the ARC where they disappear quickly.

Editor/VGSAA Rep: Col Kerry Green, USAF (Ret) – Latest VGSAA minutes attached. See appendix B.

Webmaster: Col Bill Hudson, USAF (Ret) – Absent. David Patrick advised he was working with the webmaster to include items on the website preferred by MOAA national and thereby produce better scores in the Communications Award.

Administration: Trish Meserve – Reviewed calendar for updates. Sent out snail mails of 13 renewals for Feb; 153 second notices for Jan; 18 third requests for Dec and 21 Final Final email requests (list attached) for Nov. Will be removing 3 members from Oct for non payment of dues.

Application for the 2016 Communication Award has been submitted to MOAA national. And current Validation paperwork has been submitted to JBSA Ft Sam Houston as a requirement for being a Private Organization allowed to do business on Post.

Historian: LTC Kerry Reyna USA (Ret) – Absent. No report.

ARC Satellite Chapter: MG Chuck Honore, USA (Ret) – Absent. No report.

Scholarship: Col Peter Hunt, USAF (Ret) – Absent. Report submitted as follows:
1--planning mtg held 11 Jan

2--updated college ROTC programs (5th BDE and AFROTC) on 2017 scholarship criteria, budget allocation, luncheon overview
3--Jim Webb to send reminder of JROTC scholarships and 15 Feb deadline to all HS JROTC units
4--COL Halloren, 5th BDE/CC confirmed as luncheon guest speaker
5--expect college ROTC winning cadet names by 15 Feb
6--15 Feb deadline for JROTC and Chapter mbr scholarship applications
7--22 Feb/1000 at chapter office --scholarship committee meets to select winners and finalize details for luncheon, check distribution, Spring award ceremonies

Old Business: Task List:

- 1) MajGen Garza provided \$500
- 2) Outdoor signage – work in progress
- 3) Legislative Liaison for Doggett deemed unnecessary - remove

New Business: (None)

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:52am.

Next staff meeting Thursday 2 March 10am.
Next Board meeting Wednesday 12 April 10:00am.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Patrick".

Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret), Secretary



Top Goals for 2017

- Remove the sequester
- End disabled/survivor financial offsets and penalties
- Ensure TRICARE reform sustains access to and performance of top-quality care
- Prevent disproportionate TRICARE hikes and inordinate program changes
- End military payraise caps and restore pay comparability with private sector
- Guard against erosion of earned compensation and commissary benefits
- Sustain wounded warrior programs and expand caregiver support
- Credit Guard & Reserve call ups for retirement purposes
- Improve and sustain spouse and family support
- Assure timely access to VA and eliminate claims backlog

Appendix B



Veterans of Greater San Antonio Area

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MINUTES of November 29 , 2016

The meeting was called to order at 1331 hrs by Tom Earnest, President, who then led the pledge of allegiance. Those present were: Raul De La Garza, SFA; Tom Earnest, MERV; Kerry Green, MOAA ;Trish Martin, WOSL Garland Scott, USSVI; Karen Nauschuetz, DAR, and Wendy Weller, MOWW. The minutes for October 2016 were approved .The treasurer's report is \$9,916.58.

Committee reports

Cemetery Committee- The Honorable Allen Clark was a great speaker, self described himself as non "PC" and shared stories of veterans he knew. Many positive remarks. There 17 new citizens sworn in from 13 countries.

MSD committee –The annual appreciation dinner for MSD is now being sponsored by legislator Jose Menendez. Construction for MSD quarters is pending. MSD performed volleys at both cemeteries on Veterans Day. They recruited 8 members on Retiree Appreciation Day Oct 22.

Unfinished Business: none discussed

New Business: Election of officers- the nominating committee recommended that the current officers should serve another term.. Manny Mendoza m/m that the current officers be nominated and Trish Martin seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, and the motion carried.

Announcements- The Wreaths Across America cemetery ceremony has been changed to the 17th of December. May19-20 is the next date of the trip sponsored by Honor Flight of San Antonio. Please contact Tom Earnest if you know a WWII or Korean War vet who would be a candidate. There will be a burial ceremony in February for homeless vets. The missing in America program continues to try to identify over 25,000 unclaimed remains. VGSA dues will be due January 31, 2017.

Next meeting will be January 31 at 1330hrs

Respectfully submitted
Wendy Weller, secretary

FEB 28, 2017

The next VGSA meeting will be ~~November 29, 2016~~ ,1330 at the cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Weller, Secretary

