

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
ALAMO CHAPTER

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MINUTES OF VIRTUAL & F2F BOARD MEETING – Thursday 14 January 2021

The Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Barbara Ramsey at 10:15am. A quorum was present (min 50%) and acting throughout the meeting.

Attendees:

Board: Col Mac McDonald, Col Barbara Ramsey, Col Frank Rohrbough, LTC Robert Blake, LTC Bill Goforth, LtCol Ed Marvin.

Staff: Col Vaughn Caudill, Col David Patrick, LtCol Kitty Meyers, Maj Jim Cunningham, Trish Meserve.

Absent: LTC Jim Finch

Invocation by Ed Marvin

Ed Marvin advised Lila Finch was in the final stages of hospice care.

Barbara Ramsey thanked everyone for participating in the Zoom/F2F meeting despite its challenges.

Old Business

a) Minutes

The minutes from 10 December 2020 were reviewed. Ed Marvin requested changes in Old Business/Stakeholder's Report/Priority 2 – remove the word "other".

Barbara Ramsey requested changes in New Business/Golf tournament – change "Markelz" to "personnel".

Ed Marvin made a motion to accept the minutes as changed, seconded by Bob Blake. Vote carried unanimously and the revised minutes will be filed as a matter of Board record.

New Business

a) Budget 2020 Close Out

Kitty Meyers advised the membership really came through with donations during the last couple of months of 2020 resulting in a reduced deficit. Challenges continue because of the pandemic but the chapter is taking advantage of every opportunity and virtual monthly meetings in the form of webinars are continuing.

Vaughn Caudill advised the chapter ended 2020 in a deficit for the fourth straight year. ACEF took in just over \$30,000 in donations and expenses were just over \$24,000. The deficit for Operations was approx. \$2,500 though as monies donated to ACEF that first go through the Operations account in December (\$1,280) are not transferred to ACEF until the following month the deficit would be closer to \$3,700.

Scholarships for 2021 could technically be \$24,000 but the Scholarship Committee has settled on \$20,000. Vaughn recommended as the outgoing Treasurer that the account needs to be stabilized and the Board should decide how much to give each year. Also recommends the full financials be presented at each Board meeting.

Reserve Cash Balances for Operations is currently at \$23,441.74 with almost \$17k in CD's. May need to cash out a CD at some point.

990 tax forms for both Operations 501(C)4 and ACEF 501(C)3 for 2020 have been filed with the IRS.

In response to Ed Marvin's question as to whether the \$2k+ left over from the Job Fair accounts has been transferred. Kitty advised she needed to visit the Bank but is currently unable to do so because of the pandemic.

Vaughn advised there was no budget for the ACEF for 2021 – that action would be performed by the ACEF Board.

b) Scorecard Update

There are currently no updates two weeks into the new year, but it is discussed at each staff meeting and will be updated for the next Board meeting in March.

Kitty Meyers advised the Board mandate on increasing the membership dues to \$25 has been introduced effective January 1, 2021.

Kitty introduced the following verbiage as a proposed revision to the Bylaws completing Section 1.7 of Priority One which was approved by the Board in December:

Article II – Membership

B. Membership shall be of "FOUR" classes, namely:

4. ASSOCIATE – Individuals who support the mission and goals of the Chapter and do not meet the qualifications of the other classes of membership and are interested in supporting the military community. Associate Members may not vote and may not hold office in the Chapter. Dues will be assessed at the member rate.

Kitty advised MOAA national has already approved such a membership category with the merging of the Greater Dallas and the North DFW chapters. Discussion of its merits ensued, and the subject was tabled till the next Board meeting allowing Barbara Ramsey time to perform due diligence.

c) Golf Tournament

Frank Rohrbough advised the full Golf Committee met and decided the 2021 Golf Tournament will be held at The Quarry Golf Course on November 5 at 1pm. The summary of the Golf Committee meeting can be found in Appendix 1.

d) Other/Additional

- Felix Santiago had provided membership statistics data and the Board found it extremely useful.
- Ed Marvin suggested an addition to the next Board agenda should be the chapter's thoughts on succession planning, as well as adding more members to the Board.
- Barbara Ramsey would also add Bylaw review to the next agenda.
- Barbara Ramsey advised all current Board members had agreed to serve another year and would retain her as Chairperson.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:25am.

Next scheduled Board Meeting – Thursday Mar 11 at 10am



Col David Patrick USAF (Ret) Secretary

APPENDIX 1

2021 Golf Planning Committee Meeting #1 Summary

Attendees: Pauline Beaty, Vaughn Caudill, Jim Cunningham, Cisco Hornsby, Ron Inselmann, Trish Meserve, Kitty Meyers, David Patrick, John Pham-Ta, Michelle Richards, Frank Rohrbough, Stephen Rohrbough, Felix Santiago, Lisa Skopal, Joe Usery.

Invocation by Jim Cunningham

Planning Committee

- Frank welcomed current and new members to the committee.

Tournament Location

- Ron, Kitty, Frank & Michelle have been investigating the options. River Crossing is under new management and only allows 2 outside tournaments per month, both of which have been taken for October. Green fees are increased from \$45 to \$65. Everything else would remain the same with 20% off merchandise, donation of 8 rounds, golf ball donation, outside lunch OK if dinner is catered by the club and working with Budweisers' donation.
- The other comparable contender is The Quarry with differences of a green fee of \$55, a \$250 banquet room fee, comparable menu pricing, a different beer distributor and beer donations may not be accepted.
- Lengthy discussed of the pros and cons ensued. Michelle from River Crossing LGA felt an alternate location might be preferable for her ladies; Ron is known to Sid Greehey, son of owner Bill Greehey, and may be able to solicit the Greehey Foundation's support; the location being closer might draw increased corporate support and players; many unknowns exist re COVID at both places with respect to players and monetary support; Blue Skies of Texas have declined to be the title sponsor this year which may open it up to more corporations.
- David Patrick made a motion to select the Quarry Golf Course on November 5th, 2021. Seconded by John Pham-Ta. Vote was unanimous.

Entry Fee Change

- Price would remain the same as debated for 2020 \$150 entry with \$50 Super Ticket and a \$10 dearly bird discount if registered and paid by September 5. River Crossing LGA would not seek a discount for bringing in 5 teams but would take advantage of the early bird discount.

Tournament Flyers

- 2021 flyer changes would include location and date.

Beneficiary Split

- The Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation would decide on the beneficiary split in due course.

Goodie Bag

- Ron to contact Stan with AbovePar with regards to the 2021 pricing and keeping the 3 main items – poker chip, sleeve of golf balls and a shirt - to \$25.

Next Meeting: Monday Feb 8, 2021 at 1pm