

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

ALAMO CHAPTER
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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

Thursday, June 4, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Secretary David Patrick at 1000 hrs. A quorum was present and acting throughout the meeting.

Attendees: Col Irene Collier, Col Kerry Green, Col Peter Hunt, CAPT Bill Knehans, Col David Patrick, Col Barbara Ramsey, LTC Jerry Gonzales, LTC Randy Hoff, LtCol Edward Marvin, LtCol Kitty Meyers, LTC Kerry Reyna, LTC Chap James Taylor, MAJ Jim Cunningham, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.

Invocation led by Chaplain Taylor and pledge led by David Patrick.

Additions to the agenda: None

Secretary: Col David Patrick – Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and approved for filing.

Treasurer: Vaughn Caudill – absent. David Patrick reviewed the May financials were reviewed and approved for filing. To give a truer picture of expenses vs income a reconciliation for each social event will be included henceforth.

Outreach Account:

INCOME	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2015 Budget	Variance
Donations	375.00	5,055.00	485.00	285.00	210.00								6,410.00	\$ 7,000.00	(590.00)
Other													-		-
Golf Tournament															
In	5,000.00	5,000.00											10,000.00		10,000.00
Out			1,000.00										1,000.00		1,000.00
Sub Total Golf	5,000.00	5,000.00	(1,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	(5,000.00)
TOTAL INCOME	10,375.00	10,055.00	(515.00)	285.00	210.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,410.00	\$ 21,000.00	(5,590.00)
OUTFLOWS															
Charity															
Wounded Warrior													-	\$ 9,000.00	(9,000.00)
Red Cross													-	\$ -	-
Undesignated Charities													-	\$ 200.00	(200.00)
VA Hospice													-	\$ -	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 9,200.00	(9,200.00)
Scholarships															
Col Torrey													-	\$ 2,500.00	(2,500.00)
Gen Herring (JROTC)													-	\$ 2,500.00	(2,500.00)
Col McCarthy (JROTC)													-	\$ 2,500.00	(2,500.00)
LtCol & Mrs. Manin (Chapter)													-	\$ 2,500.00	(2,500.00)
ROTC Army #1													-	\$ 1,000.00	-
ROTC Army #2													-	\$ 1,000.00	-
ROTC Air Force #1													-	\$ 1,000.00	-
ROTC Air Force #2													-	\$ 1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 14,000.00	(14,000.00)
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	\$ 23,200.00	(23,200.00)
Decrease/Increase	10,375.00	10,055.00	(515.00)	285.00	210.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,410.00	\$ (2,200.00)	17,610.00

Operating Account – Inflow:

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2015 Budget	Variance
Membership Dues															
MOAA National		5,015.00	50.00										\$5,065.00	\$ 3,000	\$2,065.00
New Aux					15.00								\$15.00	\$ -	\$15.00
New Retired				15.00									\$15.00	\$ -	\$15.00
New Active Duty													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
New Former													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Renewal Aux	460.00	190.00	45.00	30.00	75.00								\$800.00	\$ 1,200	-\$400.00
Renewal Retired	2,595.00	955.00	455.00	310.00	525.00								\$4,840.00	\$ 9,000	-\$4,160.00
Renewal Active Duty	70.00	15.00	25.00	40.00	105.00								\$255.00	\$ 800	-\$545.00
Renewal Former					25.00								\$25.00	\$ -	\$25.00
Total	\$ 3,125.00	\$ 6,175.00	\$575.00	\$420.00	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,015.00	\$ 14,000	-\$2,985.00
Non-Dues Revenue															
CFC													\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Trip Rewards					87.17								\$87.17	\$ 1,000	-\$912.83
Golf Tournament													\$0.00	\$ 1,300	\$-1,300.00
Shirt Sales													\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Merchandise	5.00		5.00	55.00									\$65.00	\$ -	\$65.00
Advertising Lairat		6,500.00		5,500.00									\$12,000.00	\$ 19,000	-\$7,000.00
Corporate Partnership		100.00	400.00	100.00	100.00								\$700.00	\$ 1,500	-\$800.00
Donations to Chapter	1,260.00	405.00	765.00	123.00	215.00								\$2,768.00	\$ 6,000	-\$3,232.00
Donations to Outreach	5,055.00	485.00	285.00	210.00	375.00								\$6,410.00	\$ 7,000	-\$590.00
Social Events	1,200.00	1,120.00	1,490.00	780.00	1,324.00								\$5,914.00	\$ 16,000	-\$10,086.00
Total	\$ 7,520.00	\$ 8,610.00	\$ 2,945.00	\$ 6,768.00	\$ 2,101.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$27,944.17	\$ 51,800	-\$23,855.83
TOTAL INCOME	\$10,645.00	\$14,785.00	\$3,520.00	\$7,188.00	\$2,821.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38,959.17	\$ 65,800	-\$26,840.83

Executive VP Operations: LTC Bill Goforth – Absent. No report.

Vice President Administration: Jim Webb – Absent. No report.

VP Membership: LTC Randy Hoff – Reviewed membership chart – currently breaking even. Discussed MOAA list of potential recruits. Jim to rework letter to better comply with MOAA Chapter and Council Affairs incentive rewards program. Appears to be a disconnect with the MOAA reports – current weekly update indicates 2 new members since January when we have sent in at least 52. (Upon further research following the meeting 11 of those were “chapter only” so 41 would be the number submitted to National. It was felt MOAA national should provide an indication of why a submitted name would not be part of the incentive program. No job fairs in the near future and date of next Extravaganza is unknown.

VP Programs: (Open) – No report.

President: Maj Jim Cunningham – Three of the four legislative priorities as determined by the TCVO were successfully passed by the 84th session. These were 1) removal of the start date of Jan 1, 2009 for property tax exemption for the widows of 100% disabled veterans (this will require a constitutional amendment in the Nov ballot); 2) State agencies must hire a minimum of 40% veterans or veteran owned companies; 3) Deployed Texas military personnel will be allowed to vote electronically. Additionally, attorney expenses for assisting with claims for mesothelioma damages are limited. Items not passed included the adjustment of the property tax exemptions for partially disabled veterans, as well as the changes to the Hazlewood act and will be revisited in the next legislative session (2017).

MVCC is close to getting their 501(c) 3 designation with Chairperson Alfred Valenzuela.

Veterans looking for employment are now being coordinated through the VA.

Jim Webb will be honored on June 12 at the United Way VOYA banquet at the Henry B Gonzalez Convention Center. David & Barbara Patrick and Jim & Cheryl Cunningham will also be attending.

Red Cross has hired new rep for JBSA Ft Sam Houston and wants to office on post! Army Commander 502nd Support Wing Col Steven Toft advised Jim they are developing new office space if Broadway Bank location falls through.

MOAA National Update:

Barbara Ramsey: The Healthcare committee is gauging legislative changes that may cause pharmacy co-pay increases and mandatory mail order purchasing. Research dollars said to be increased, and a possible move to consolidate Tricare options into one entity which likely would increase costs. Affordable Care Act was meant to provide minimum services but excessive services may now become taxable.

Ed Marvin: Council & Chapter Affairs committee looking at revising its Board Committee responsibilities. Norb Ryan retiring at the end of the year and the Executive Search committee may have a candidate to announce at the July Board meeting. Will be reviewing Chapter of Excellence awards on the Saturday prior to the Board meeting, Attended chapter luncheon in Beaumont with Jim Cunningham.

Asked attending leaders to think outside the box and offer any thoughts and ideas that would add to the value proposition that MOAA currently offers, i.e. what could be done at the national level that would entice eligible people to join the organization. The organization model must be dynamic in nature to grow. Bottom line - what initiatives could be taken going forward that would help grow the membership numbers at all levels of the organization.

Requested each participant to email to me at elmarv@swbell.net their thoughts & ideas.

Buddy Program Status – No updates.

Staff Reports

Chaplain: Chaplain Taylor – No report.

VP Public Relations/Marketing: LTC Charles Poole - Absent. No report.

VP Legislative Affairs: LTC Bob Blake – Absent. No report.

VP Logistics: LtCol Fred Koechley – Absent. No report.

Chapter Affairs Officer: Col Irene Collier – Sent letters of appreciation to the Duty Officers and Jim to put together certificates.

Editor/VGSAA Rep: Col Kerry Green – Round of applause for Trish for her work on The Lariat. VGSAA is dark in July and August.

Webmaster: Col Bill Hudson – Absent. Have been experiencing website issues where registration or renewal emails haven't reached us. Only indication was a PayPal receipt. Bill has added a non sbcglobal email address to ensure receipt and will have his server administrator fix the issue.

Administration: Trish Meserve – Reviewed calendar. Noted that key to outer door also opens the front and kitchen side doors if the MOAA-AC side door is stuck (swollen from recent rains). Congrats to Sandra Hicks on her wedding to Col Carothers!

Historian: LTC Kerry Reyna – Sorted the last of the 3 boxes in the supply room – will add to recycle and shred bin for collection.

ARC Satellite Chapter: MG Chuck Honore – Absent. No report.

Scholarship: Col Peter Hunt – Peter Hunt was pleased with the positive feedback from the Scholarship luncheon. Disappointed in applications for the College Scholarships and next year go directly to the detachments commanders. Will have committee convene in September or October to determine Scholarship values and budgeting for award winners and their guests' meals.

Transition Liaison Officer: LtCol Kitty Meyers – MVCC organization building nicely. Currently finalizing Job Fair's accounting. Next one scheduled for Mar 16, 2016. Navy Job Fair exceeded their expectations with the number of participating employers. Job Fair website will continue to air and be a resource for all.

Special Activities Representative: Susie Tolman – VAV meeting today at 1pm Jim to contact Jim Chandler re missing boxes of decorations. Unable to attend next week's VAC meeting due to Folk Life Festival, Jim may attend instead.

Blue Skies Satellite: CAPT Bill Knehans – An additional MOAA national Board member moving to Blue Skies in July. Will engage him in MOAA activities. Disappointed only 40,000 members responded to legislature despite being 380,000 members. May need to have an article in the Lariat on how east CapWits is to manage for future congressional issues.

Advertising Coordinator: Maj Fernando Carreon – Absent. See Old Business.

Volunteer Coordinator: LTC Jerry Gonzales – Currently has 17 potential volunteers – may have a volunteer for the Programs position. Will drop volunteer if not responsive after 6 months.

Solitaires: Pat Shecter – Absent. No report.

VP Personal Affairs: Col Stu Myers – Absent. No report.

Consultant: Maj Len Mull – Absent. No report.

Old Business:

- 1) Relocation: Broadway Bank awaiting approval from 502nd Support Group Engineers.
- 2) Reviewed revised draft of new Quarterfold – now a trifold! Received very well! A few nitnoids, David Patrick to fully review.

New Business:

None

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:58am.

Next Golf Cmte Meeting scheduled for Tuesday June 9 at 1pm
Next staff meeting scheduled for Thursday, Aug 8 at 10am.
Next Board meeting Wednesday August 12 at 10am



Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret), Secretary

