### MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

# ALAMO CHAPTER P. O. Box 340497 Ft Sam Houston, Texas 78234 (210) 228-9955 MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

### Thursday June 7, 2018

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

**Attendees:** Col Vaughn Caudill, Col Irene Collier, Col Kerry Green, Col Peter Hunt, Col Stu Myers, COL Rafael Paredes, COL Barbara Ramsey, LTC Robert Blake, LtCol Kitty Meyers, Maj Jim Cunningham, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.

Invocation by Jim Cunningham and pledge by Kitty Meyers.

**Secretary:** Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret) – Absent. Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and approved for filing. (There was no meeting in May).

**Treasurer:** Col Vaughn Caudill, USA (Ret) – Reviewed the financials from April & May. These will be filed as a matter of record.

### **Outreach Account:**

INCOME	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2018 Budget	Variance
Donations	1,915.00	1,715.00	285.00	395.00	556.00								4,866.00	\$ 8,000.00	(3,134.00)
Other													-		-
Golf Tournament													-		-
In	6,000.00		540.00	420.00	5,000.00								11,960.00		11,960.00
Out	1,000.00												1,000.00		1,000.00
Sub Total Golf	5,000.00	-	540.00	420.00	5,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,960.00	\$ 15,000.00	(4,040.00)
TOTAL INCOME	13,915.00	1,715.00	825.00	815.00	5,556.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,826.00	\$ 23,000.00	(7,174.00)
OUTFLOWS															
Charity															
Warrior & Family Support Ctr													-	\$ 7,500.00	(7,500.00)
MOAA Heritage													-	\$ 125.00	(125.00)
Undesignated Charities													-	\$ 100.00	(100.00)
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u> </u>	\$ 7,725.00	(7,725.00)
Scholarships															
Col Torrey				500.00									500.00	\$ 500.00	-
Gen Herring (JROTC)			500.00										500.00	\$ 500.00	-
Col McCarthy (JROTC)													-	\$ 500.00	(500.00)
Chapter (Jim & Cheryl Cunningham)					500.00								500.00	\$ 500.00	-
ROTC Army			7,000.00	2,000.00									9,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	(1,000.00)
ROTC Air Force			1,000.00										1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	(1,000.00)
ROTC Air Force (Ed & Ruby Marvin)					1,000.00								1,000.00		-
Total	-	-	8,500.00	2,500.00	1,500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,500.00	\$ 15,000.00	(2,500.00)
TOTAL OUTFLOW	0.00	0.00	8,500.00	2,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,500.00	\$ 22,725.00	(10,225.00)
Decrease/Increase	13,915.00	1,715.00	(7,675.00)	(1,685.00)	4,056.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,326.00	\$ 275.00	3,051.00

**Educational Foundation Account (501(C)3)** 

Alamo Chapter Educational Foundat	tion	501 C 3													
INCOME	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2018 Budget	Variance
Donations													-	\$ -	_
Other				1,575.11									1,575.11		1,575.11
Golf Tournament													-		-
In													-		-
Out													-		-
Sub Total Golf	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -	
TOTAL INCOME	-	-	-	1,575.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,575.11	s -	1,575.11
OUTFLOWS															
Scholarships															
Col Torrey													-	\$ -	-
Gen Herring (JROTC)													-	\$ -	-
Col McCarthy (JROTC)													-	\$ -	-
Chapter (Jim & Cheryl Cunningham)													-	\$ -	-
ROTC Army													-	\$ -	-
ROTC Air Force													-	\$ -	-
ROTC Air Force (Ed & Ruby Marvin)													-	\$ -	-
TOTAL OUTFLOW	-	-	-	- '	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -	
Decrease/Increase				1,575.11				-	-				1,575.11	s -	1,575.11

**Operating Account – Inflow:** 

_	lanuary	Fe	ebruary	March	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	June	e	July	August	Septemb	ber	Oct	Nov	De	C	YTD	2018 Budget	Variance
Membership Dues																			
MOAA National			1,465.00														\$1,465.00	\$ 500	\$965.00
New Surviving Spouses				15.00													\$15.00	\$ -	\$15.00
New Retired				55.00													\$55.00	\$ -	\$55.00
New Active Duty																	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
New Former																	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Renewal Surviving Spouses	370.00		200.00	45.00	30.00	30.00											\$675.00	\$ 900	-\$225.00
Renewal Retired	1,430.00		565.00	225.00	220.00	210.00											\$2,650.00	\$ 5,000	-\$2,350.00
Renewal Active Duty			55.00	85.00		120.00											\$260.00	\$ 650	-\$390.00
Renewal Former				125.00	15.00												\$140.00	\$ 200	-\$60.00
Total	\$ 1,800.00	\$	2,285.00	\$550.00	\$265.00	\$360.00	\$	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$5,260.00	\$ 7,250	-\$1,990.00
Non-Dues Revenue																			
CFC																	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Travel Rewards																	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Golf Tournament																	\$0.00	\$ 3,000	-\$3,000.00
Merchandise (Coins/Shirts)					25.00												\$25.00	\$ -	\$25.00
JROTC Medals (Garza)																	\$0.00	\$ 1,000	-\$1,000.00
Advertising Lariat			150.00		3,070.00	1,620.00											\$4,840.00	\$ 12,000	-\$7,160.00
Corporate Partnership				200.00		100.00											\$300.00	\$ 1,000	-\$700.00
Donations to Chapter	1,020.00		285.00	110.00	281.00	10.00											\$1,706.00	\$ 6,000	-\$4,294.00
Donations to Outreach	1,715.00		347.00	395.00	556.00	40.00											\$3,053.00	\$ 8,000	-\$4,947.00
Social Events	1,826.00		630.00	1,086.00	1,172.00	1,098.00											\$5,812.00	\$ 15,000	-\$9,188.00
Total	\$ 4,561.00	\$	1,412.00	\$ 1,791.00	\$ 5,104.00	\$ 2,868.00	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ .	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$15,736.00	\$ 46,000	-\$30,264.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$6,361.00		\$3,697.00	\$2,341.00	\$5,369.00	\$3,228.00	9	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$20,996.00	\$ 53,250	-\$32,254.00

**Operating Account – Outflow:** 

Category	<u>Jan</u>	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2018 Budget	Variance
Bank Charge/Int													-	\$ 50	50.00
Board & Staff Mtg													-	\$ -	-
Building Costs (rent)													-	\$ -	-
Copier Mntn Agreement				519.00									519.00	\$ 475	(44.00)
Square Service Fee	23.77	14.06	16.84	13.78	6.00								74.45	\$ 575	500.55
PayPal Service Fee	38.65	24.29	40.95	50.55	27.74								182.18	\$ 475	292.82
D&O Insurance													-	\$ 675	675.00
Dues & Subscription	793.00		537.20	25.00									1,355.20	\$ 1,200	(155.20)
GT Contractor Incentive													-	\$ 650	650.00
Independent Contr	790.00	1,580.00	1,580.00	1,580.00	1,580.00								7,110.00	\$ 19,460	12,350.00
Lariat Postage													-	\$ 2,500	2,500.00
Lariat Printing	451.30	453.09	455.18	454.04	454.39								2,268.00	\$ 7,000	4,732.00
Liability Insurance		425.00											425.00	\$ 450	25.00
Marketing													-	\$ 300	300.00
Membership Recruiting													-	\$ -	-
Merchandise (Coins/Shirts)													-	\$ -	-
Miscellaneous													-	\$ -	-
Office	295.21	153.33	96.24	714.38	81.06								1,340.22	\$ 3,200	1,859.78
Personal Affairs													-	\$ -	-
Postage & Delivery				6.70									6.70	\$ 1,500	1,493.30
ROTC													-	\$ 300	300.00
JROTC Medals													-	\$ 1,000	1,000.00
Satellite Chapters													-	\$ 600	600.00
Social Events	1,422.48	1,087.36	1,810.32	1,149.06									5,469.22	\$ 15,000	9,530.78
Solitaires													-	\$ 75	75.00
Special Activities													-	\$ 600	600.00
Telephone	157.78	173.16	151.79	154.80	150.12								787.65	\$ 1,800	1,012.35
Trans To Outreach	1,915.00	1,715.00	285.00	395.00	556.00								4,866.00	\$ 7,000	2,134.00
Volunteer Recogn													-	\$ 100	100.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	5,887.19	5,625.29	4,973.52	5,062.31	2,855.31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,403.62	\$ 64,985	40,581.38
Surplus/(Deficit)	473.81	(1,928.29)	(2,632.52)	306.69	372.69	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	(3,407.62)	(11,735.00)	8,327.38

# **Reserve Balances & Social Events:**

Outreach	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
RBFCU													
Savings	\$ 7.90	\$ 7.90	\$ 7.90	\$ 7.90	\$ 7.90								
Money Market	\$15,278.55	\$ 16,993.55	\$ 2,568.60	\$ 2,964.72	\$ 3,522.17								
Checking	\$ 379.53	\$ 379.53	\$ 6,600.16	\$ 5,675.50	\$ 4,175.68								
Certificates	\$ 9,738.40	\$ 9,739.09	\$ 9,763.45	\$ 9,776.34	\$ 9,789.67								
Total	\$25,404.38	\$27,120.07	\$ 18,940.11	\$ 18,424.46	\$ 17,495.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Chapter Operations													
Broadway	\$36,082.65	\$ 34,637.07	\$ 32,061.84	\$ 32,788.53	\$ 38,161.22								
USAA	\$16,300.60	\$16,300.60	\$ 16,321.95	\$ 16,321.95	\$ 16,344.06								
Total	\$52,383.25	\$50,937.67	\$ 48,383.79	\$ 49,110.48	\$ 54,505.28	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Social Events	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Income	\$1,494.00	\$750.00	\$1,386.00	\$1,172.00	\$1,012.00	\$86.00							\$5,900.00
Outgo	\$1,422.48	\$1,087.36	\$1,735.32	\$1,149.06		\$75.00							\$5,469.22
Variance	\$71.52	-\$337.36	-\$349.32	\$22.94	\$1,012.00	\$11.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$430.78

# **Golf Financials:**

/11/18		<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	Sept	<u>Oct</u>	Nov	<u>Dec</u>	2018 YTD
ncome:														
Sponso	rship	6,000.00				5,000.00								11,000.00
Donatio	n				100.00									100.00
Entry D	onation Warric	or		140.00	140.00									280.00
Entry Fe	ee Player			280.00	140.00									420.00
Super T	ickets			120.00	40.00									160.00
Silent A	uction													-
Hole in	One													_
		\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$540.00	\$420.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,960.0
xpenses:														
Ron Ins	elmann	1,000.00												1,000.00
Green F		1,000.00												- 1,000.00
-	Dinner and lu	nch												
Lessons		ilon												
	ntal for Warric	ors												
	Staff Tip													
	/Signage													
Golf Bal														
Gift Cer														
Hole in														_
Photogr														-
	Bag Items													_
Super T														_
Shipping														_
		\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.0
										Net Profit:				\$ 10,960.00
									-	20% MOAA				\$ 2,192.00
										Balance:				\$ 8,768.00
									50% 5	Scholarship:				\$ 4,384.00
									50%	WFSC:				\$ 4,384.00

# Three Year Comparison YTD May

### Outreach

INCOME	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Donations	\$ 4,866.00	\$ 5,810.00	\$ 5,906.00
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Golf Tournament			
In	\$11,960.00	\$ 225.00	\$ -
Out	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Sub Total Golf	\$10,960.00	\$ 225.00	\$ (1,000.00)
TOTAL INCOME	\$15,826.00	\$ 6,035.00	\$ 4,906.00
<u>OUTFLOWS</u>			
Charity			
Wounded Warrior	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
MOAA Military Family Initiative		\$ 125.00	\$ -
Undesignated Charities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
501 C3 Application	\$ -	\$ 125.00	
Total	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00
Scholarships			
Torrey	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Gen Herring (JROTC #1)	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
McCarthy (JROTC #2)	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Chapter/Cunningham	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
ROTC Army	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
ROTC Air Force (Marvin)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
ROTC Air Force	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Total	\$12,500.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TOTAL OUTFLOW	\$12,500.00	\$ 13,250.00	\$ 10,100.00
Decrease/Increase	\$ 3,326.00	\$ (7,215.00)	\$ (5,194.00)

# Inflows:

<u>Category</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Membership Dues						
MOAA National	\$	1,465.00	\$	90.00	\$	530.00
New SurvSp	\$	15.00	\$	15.00	\$	-
New Retired	\$	55.00	\$	110.00	\$	55.00
New Active Duty	\$	-	\$	-	\$	15.00
New Former	\$	-	\$	-	\$	25.00
Renewal SurvSp	\$	675.00	\$	855.00	\$	705.00
Renewal Retired	\$	2,650.00	\$	7,260.00	\$	4,775.00
Renewal Active Duty	\$	260.00	\$	450.00	\$	235.00
Renewal Former	\$	140.00	\$	15.00	\$	25.00
Total	\$	5,260.00	\$	8,795.00	\$	6,365.00
Non-Dues Revenue						
Interest						
Trip Rewards	\$	-	\$	-	\$	373.80
Merchandise	\$	25.00	\$	50.00	\$	115.00
JROTC Medals (Garza)	\$	-	\$	916.39	\$	-
Advertising Lariat	\$	4,840.00	\$	8,220.00	\$	7,500.00
Corporate Partnership	\$	300.00	\$	500.00	\$	300.00
Donations to Chapter	\$	1,706.00	\$	3,481.00	\$	2,760.00
Donations to Outreach	\$	3,053.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,178.00
Golf Tournament	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Social Events	\$	5,812.00	\$	6,754.00	\$	6,380.00
Total	\$	15,736.00	\$ 2	23,921.39	\$2	21,606.80
TOTAL INCOME	\$:	20,996.00	\$ :	32,716.39	\$:	27,971.80

# **Outflows:**

Category		2018		2017		<u>2016</u>
Bank Charge/Int	\$	-	\$	-	9	56.80
Copier Mntn Agreement	\$	519.00	\$	472.00	9	429.00
Credit Card Fee Square	\$	74.45	\$	155.13	9	60.83
Credit Card Fee PayPal	\$	182.18	\$	162.17	9	107.43
D&O Insurance	\$	-	\$	-	9	S -
Dues & Subscription	\$	1,355.20	\$	1,164.60	9	1,148.20
GT Contractor Incentive	\$	-	\$	-	9	6 -
Independent Contr	\$	7,110.00	\$	6,903.00	9	6,117.70
Lariat Postage	\$	-	\$	1,215.00	9	1,225.00
Lariat Printing	\$	2,268.00	\$	2,374.20	9	5 2,217.52
Liability Insurance	\$	425.00	\$	425.00	9	425.00
Marketing	\$	-	\$	871.92	9	S -
Membership Recruiting	\$	-	\$	-	9	S -
Miscellaneous	\$	-	\$	-	9	S -
Office	\$	1,340.22	\$	1,074.41	9	1,047.41
Personal Affairs	\$	-			9	S -
Postage & Delivery	\$	6.70	\$	493.50	9	458.05
ROTC	\$	-	\$	269.48	9	399.36
ROTC JR Medals	\$	-	\$	916.39	9	6 -
Satellite Chapters	\$	-	\$	-	9	S -
Social Events	\$	5,469.22	\$	5,017.60	9	4,835.11
Solitaires	\$	-	\$	-	9	52.35
Special Activities	\$	-	\$	-		6 -
Telephone	\$	787.65	\$	689.30	9	632.18
Trans To Outreach	\$	4,866.00	\$	5,810.00	9	5,906.00
Volunteer Recogn	\$	-				
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$:	24,403.62	\$2	28,013.70	9	25,117.94

Last year we saw an increase in membership dollars due to the 3 year membership option so had expected the current lower returns. It was noted that the members who pay in advance do not receive a donation request in lieu of a dues request. Even if Golf Tournament is wildly successful we will still be in a deficit budget-wise. It may translate to reducing the number of scholarships in 2019. The Combined Federal Campaign was mentioned but Vaughn warned not to expect too much from that as the new method is cumbersome and participating is now not mandatory. Kerry Green asked if the Board had established a floor for the reserves account to which the answer was no. Feeding off the reserves could last 5 years for the Operations account and after that the scholarships would definitely be dependent upon the previous year's income. Peter Hunt suggested sending out information on the new 501(c)3 account.

The chapter is frugal in its expenses so the bottomline is that we need to increase non dues income with an emphasis on advertising. Kerry Green suggested an additional fundraising event but need volunteer(s) to investigate options. Deficit this year still predicted around \$11k.

Kitty Meyers advised membership and fund raising is all interconnected, need membership awareness, getting folks involved who will be supportive and participatory.

Advertising needs to increase in the smaller ad market. Rafael Paredes to contact the El Paso chapter to see how their newsletter is funded as they have many small ads. Once that info is gathered a committee meeting will be held to include Rafael, Kitty, Jim C and others who wish to be included to review the media package, its pricing, website link policies and ways to increase advertising. Set for Fri 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

**Vice President Operations:** Col Peter Hunt, USAF (Ret) – Will organize receipts and submit – preliminary accounting shows it is about \$1,000. Wondered if a donation had been received this year from General Garza – no.

Vice President Administration: Lt Rebekah Emery, USA (Frmr) – Absent. No report.

**VP Membership:** Maj Jim Cunningham, USA (Ret) – Have recruited member Felix Santiago Col USA (Ret) to assist. Will be producing a schedule for the JBSA Ft Sam Newcomer Orientation briefings. Currently attends the RSO out briefing as a representative from the JBSA Retiree Council. Other recruiting events include the Retiree Appreciation Day in September. Currently the ETAPs are being scheduled the same day as our luncheons so missing out on those.

**VP Programs:** Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret) – Absent. Kitty advised the luncheon was really successful except for the PA issues. Survey results are as follows:

**Survey Monkey Results:** 

Survey Monkey Results	1/25/2018	2/22/2018	3/21/2018	4/26/2018	5/31/2018
5=excellent; 4=very good; 3=average; 2=poor; 1=very poor	Leslie Mouton	Gary McAlum	Al Flowers	LGEN Buchanan	Gail Joyce
# of Reservations	81	80	87	58	74
# Attended	82	70	75	61	74
# of Survey Responses	16	22	9	11	14
1. Venue	4.2	4.63	4.2	4.27	4.79
2. Ease of pre-registration	4.73	4.81	5	4.73	5
3. Ease of check-in at event	4.57	4.9	4.4	4.82	5
4. Feeling welcomed and comfortable	4.57	4.81	5	4.81	4.96
5. Quality of food and service	4.13	4.09	4	3.73	4.64
6. Speaker/program	5	4.95	5	4.82	4.92
7. Organization, mgmt & execution of event	4.73	4.9	5	4.54	4.21
8. Overall evaluation	4.78	4.9	4.77	4.73	4.71

#### Survey Monkey Comments from May 31, 2018 Scholarship Luncheon

- Need to work on Multi-Media set up, microphone for event was bad
- · Microphone difficulty detracted from an informative message
- So sorry about the bad sound
- Audio system was very disappointing. We have had events in that room before without noticeable problems.
- More could have been done to alleviate the audio problem.
- Facility people should have been able to fix microphone issue
- Sound system a problem
- Microphone backup
- No suggestions
- keep doing the good work that went into this event.
- The events are well planned, this one just had an audio glitch.
- Hindsight is 20/20; however, there should have been an audio backup plan.
- Make sure the host has checked the sound system.
- Always have effective PA/speaker system!
- Information and content were amazing linking how MOAA is supporting us through great stories like Gail's' are good ways to hold a crowd's attention.
- Keep on doing what is being done throughout the meeting.
- Always enjoy the programs. Keep up the good work
- Pre-check audio better that's on ARC, I believe -- and have a tech on standby to remedy audio problems. This is not the first rodeo for the ARC. I hope their new CEO was there to hear and see what this speaker had to put up with.
- No suggestions
- Aspeaker on Tricare for Life.
- Speaker on cyber warfare and defense against cyber-attacks.
- How MOAA is supporting active military and Veterans rights and benefits and how we can help.
- I think Bob Certain would be a good speaker given his extensive service as a B-52 crewmen (navigator), POW in Hanoi and Chaplain.
- I liked this speaker and topic. It drew retirees and spouses and had something important to say to all of them.

**VP Legislative Affairs:** LTC Robert Blake, USA (Ret) – Will be attending the upcoming TCC meeting in Waco. The Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) released its proposed version of the FY 2019 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The legislation is expected to advance to the full Senate for floor action and a vote during the first two weeks of June and the bill supports many of MOAA's key legislative priorities for FY 2019.

**President:** LtCol Kitty Meyers, USAF (Ret) – Attended change of command ceremony for General Pringle who is replaced by BG Laura Lenderman as 502<sup>nd</sup> Air Base Wing Commander. David Raugh 502<sup>nd</sup> Force Support Group Commander transitions July 11 to Miami. Pringle & Raugh were huge supporters of MOAA. Kitty is currently assisting in preparations for the June 12 Women Veterans Day celebrations here in San Antonio and in Austin.

<u>Buddy Program Status:</u> Kitty encouraged all to seek out a buddy to help build committees and get members active which will also help towards succession planning.

<u>Scorecard Review:</u> Current scorecard was reviewed – basically no changes.

<u>MOAA National Update:</u> Col Barbara Ramsey, USA (Ret) – A mailing encouraging upgrades to premium membership is in the works. \$71,000 was netted from their recent golf tournament. Surveys are being sent to Military spouses from the Military Family Initiative. Webinar regarding the costs of burial at Arlington Cemetery will soon be available on moaa.org. The next Board meeting in July will be on-line.

### **Staff Reports**

VP Logistics: (Open) - No report.

Editor/VGSAA Rep: Col Kerry Green, USAF (Ret) - No report.

Webmaster: Col Bill Hudson, USAF (Ret) – Absent. Working some website glitches.

Administration: Trish Meserve – Reviewed calendar for updates. Numbers for renewals consist of June 40, May 16, Apr 9, Mar 14, and to be deleted Feb 4. Chapter Level of Excellence Award application was submitted. Fire Marshall stopped by and we need to have fire extinguishers serviced (has to be done every 6 years – last time was 2007!). MOAA and Mercer insurance are again offering chapters \$100 per year to run their business card size ad – submitted and received. Passed around Thank You card from scholarship recipient Matthew Smith. Sent out mass email to Vicente Gonzales constituents looking for a member rep and another to Surviving Spouses providing information on the Virtual chapter for Surviving Spouses being formed. Minutes from recent VGSAA meetings attached as Appendix A.

Historian: LTC Kerry Reyna USA (Ret) - Absent. (TDY in Knoxville, TN) No report.

**Chapter Affairs Officer/ARC Representative:** Col Irene Collier, USAF (Ret) – New CEO Steven Fuller started June 1<sup>st</sup>. Luncheon was very well received – many MOAA national members attended.

Transition Liaison Officer: LtCol Kitty Meyers USAF (Ret) – Nothing to add to earlier report.

**Scholarship/JROTC:** Col Peter Hunt, USAF (Ret) – Nothing to add to earlier report.

**Special Activities Representative:** Susie Tolman (Auxiliary/Surviving Spouse) – Need additional bakers for Treats for Troops.

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

Blue Skies West Liaison: (Open). No report.

**VS&V:** Lt Mary Priddy, USN (Frmr) – Absent. No report.

**Advertising Coordinator:** Col Rafael Paredes, USA (Ret) – Tracking and communicating with Trish on existing renewals. Has contacted Tina Pierce of First Command and will follow up. Has meeting set with another potential advertiser Tim Hodge on June 20.

**Volunteer Coordinator**: Col Pete Schaub – Absent. Food Bank Volunteer Day only had 10 folks sign up, two of which backed out at the last minute due to health issues. The remaining 8 helped sort 19,805 lbs of food that will provide 15,844 meals!

MOAA-AC has another opportunity to do Blazing Gavels with KLRN on June 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9:00pm. So far has 2 volunteers.

**Solitaires:** Pat Shecter (Auxiliary) – Absent. Needs new coordinator.

**VP Personal Affairs:** Col Stu Myers, USAF (Ret) – 2 deaths in May, one Surviving Spouse and one officer.

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

VP Public Relations/Marketing: LTC Charles Poole, USA (Ret) – Absent. No report.

#### **Old Business:**

1) Task List was reviewed.

2) What Has The Chapter Done for You Lately updates will need to be submitted to Trish for the August Lariat article (covering May, June).

# **New Business:**

1) None

### **MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:30am.**

Next Board meeting Thursday 7 June 11:45am Next Golf Planning Cmte meeting Monday 11 June 2pm & Monday July 9 2pm Next Staff meeting Thursday 2 Aug 10am

Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret), Secretary

# Appendix A



# Beterans of Greater San Antonio Area

### FOUNDED 1973 5804 Babcock Road #193, San Antonio, TX 78240

### MINUTES of April 24, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1335 hrs by Tom Earnest, President, who then led the pledge of allegiance. Those present were: David Cuellar, 141<sup>st</sup> Inf Reg; Tom Earnest, MERV; Kerry Green, MOAA; Trish Martin, WOSL; Karen Nauschuetz, DAR; and Wendy Weller, MOWW.

The treasurer's report is \$9,451.08, plus another \$100 in dues received today.

#### Committee reports

### **Cemetery Committee-**

For Memorial Day 2018 program, plans are being discussed. The Army band will be providing the music that Day, and there has been funding for the band to stay in existence. Three speakers have been contacted but none has accepted as yet. The Alamo Metro Chorus of the Sweet Adelines International will provide musical selections. The new cemetery assistant director, Roshanda Bost, will provide remarks. Sergeant Major Bob Masten, USA (Ret) & Eagle Scout Luke Estes of Boy Scout Troop 911will finish reading names of the deceased veterans buried at the cemetery in 2018. The main gate will be open and traffic routed in the cemetery and then out thru the back gate. The Veterans Day program will now possibly have a WWI theme. The 11th of November falls on a Sunday, so there will be more information about the date of the ceremony. There will be a Missing in America ceremony on June 1, at 1300 hrs, for the burial of 4 veteran cremains. The public information office is settled into the renovated office upstairs.

MSD committee - The website for MSD <u>www.msd-honorguard.org</u>. The new bus is working just fine, and their equipment has been relocated into the bottom floor of the information building.

### **Unfinished Business:**

The next Honor Flight will be on May 4, and will leave the airport at 0400 hrs. They will return on 5 May at 1830, de-embarking at the Southwest terminal. Please let Tom know if you know someone who wants to go, or wants to be an escort. There will be a band from USAA.

#### **New Business:**

Reminder- Those attending VGSAA meetings can have those minutes added to their organization's volunteer time by making arrangements thru the VAVS office. See Trish for info.

Announcements- There will be a ceremony for veterans who donated their bodies to the UTSA Medical School on May 2, 5pm, in the medical center graveyard on Floyd Curl. June 12 will be Women Veterans day in Texas. More info will be sent as it is received. A memorial service for the veterans of the USS Nitro will be held June 22 at Dodd Field Chapel.

Next meeting will be May 29 at 1330 hrs.

Respectfully submitted Wendy Weller, secretary



# Veterans of the Greater San Antonio Area

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5804 Babcock Rd #193, San Antonio, Texas 78240

# MINUTES of May 29, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1335 hrs by Tom Earnest, President, who then led the pledge of allegiance. Those present were: David Cuellar, 141<sup>st</sup> Inf Reg; Tom Earnest, MERV; Kerry Green, MOAA; Trish Martin, WOSL; Karen Nauschuetz, DAR; and Wendy Weller, MOWW.

The treasurer's report is \$9,576.08in the bank, plus the receipt of a certificate of appreciation from the American Cancer Society.

### Committee reports

### Cemetery Committee-

The Memorial Day 2018 program was discussed. Program itself was great and finished at 1035, but the main problem was the traffic. There was one person redirecting traffic at the light at Winans into the next lane on Harry Wurzbach, which meant that the left lane turning into the main gate was hopelessly snarled. There was no person at all directing traffic at the flashing light into the main gate, so traffic going out of Fort Sam Houston was not stopped to allow people into the main gate. The Fort Sam Security police would not let the bus carrying the JROTC students to enter at the back gate, even though three retired officers were on the bus with ID cards. More meetings will be in order to coordinate traffic control efforts now that the main gate is open.

The Veterans Day program will have a WWI theme. The City of San Antonio wants to have a separate event

on November 9 at the Fort Sam Houston Cemetery, but that is a day which has scheduled burials and the traffic would overburden both staff and volunteers, who will be preparing for Veterans Day November 11, which is on a Sunday. The parking at the Paso Hondo Cemetery is very limited. More info will be forthcoming as more meetings are held. There will be a Missing in America ceremony on June 1, at 1300 hrs, for the burial of 8 veteran cremains.

The public information office is settled into the renovated office upstairs and has staffing for Mon-Fri 0800 to 1630, and from 1000-1400 on weekends.

**MSD committee** - The website for MSD <u>www.msd-honorguard.org</u>. The new bus is working just fine, and their equipment has been relocated into the bottom floor of the information building. Two members have died, but new volunteers are applying.

Announcements- June 12 will be Women Veterans day Texas.

A memorial service for the veterans of the USS Nitro will be held June 22 at Dodd Field Chapel.

Next meeting will be June 26, at 1330 hrs.

Respectfully submitted Wendy Weller, secretary