

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING Thursday, September 2, 2010

Meeting was called to order by Exec Vice President Jim Cunningham at 0900 hrs. A quorum was present and acting throughout the meeting.

Attendees: Col Irene Collier, Col Al Cote, Col Janice Edgerson, Col Kerry Green, Col David Patrick, LTC Randy Hoff, LtCol Fred Koechley, LtCol Cheryl Smith, Chaplain James Taylor, Maj Jim Cunningham, Mavis Cleary, Susie Tolman, Trish Meserve.

Invocation by Chaplain Taylor and pledge by Jim Cunningham.

Additions to agenda: None

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

President: LtCol Ed Marvin - Absent. No report.

Treasurer: Vaughn Caudill – Absent. No report.

Executive VP Operations: Maj Jim Cunningham – Caterer has been finalized for Oktoberfest picnic. Chapter to provide servers. Irene to make dessert. Fred Koechley, Susie Tolman and Barbara Patrick volunteered. Josh Welch will be approached and asked to Emcee. Planning meeting tbd.

Advised Board member LTC Sumner Hudson currently experiencing health issues. Wants to set up substantial scholarship program with national MOAA for the benefit of the San Antonio catchment area. Jim Cunningham looking into how that can be achieved.

Vice President Administration: (Open) No report.

VP Membership: LTC Randy Hoff – Thanks to David Patrick's TOPS program and Kerry Green's assistance at the recent Extravaganza the current membership numbers are 1242 (Active 326, Aux 249, Retired 667). Membership forms are located in the office.

VP Programs: (Open) – Jim Cunningham advised a speaker for the October business meeting is being sought. Need volunteer help for Retiree Days at Lackland Sept 24 (confirmed by Fred Koechley) Randolph Oct 30, and Ft Sam Nov 6. Jim Cunningham has started working on lining up programs for 2011 and plans to having all locations and menus locked down soon. Will be enlisting input from North Com and South Com for programming ideas.

Task Review:

- 1) 50th Anniversary Committee. Cheryl Smith. Awaiting task list from national.
- 2) Corporate Sponsorship. Ed Marvin. Per Trish Meserve awaiting address listing from Ed.
- 3) Marketing: Car magnets. Work in progress.
- 4) Volunteer Coordinator. Program needs revitalizing. Jim Cunningham and David Patrick to meet with Dale Vande Hey to discuss.
- 5) Advertising. David Walker. Absent, no update.
- 6) Recruitment: Randy Hoff. No update.
- 7) Chapter Activity. Fred Koechley. Discussed supporting and advertising any current plan not producing one.
- 8) Marketing/PR. Cheryl Smith. No update.
- 9) Retiree Appreciation Days. Fred Koechley. All dates confirmed.
- 10) Ft Sam P.O. Box. Fred Koechley. Box has been rented. Jim Cunningham to have extra keys made and put forwarding order on old box.
- 11) Chapter Scholarship. Jim Cunningham. Needs to speak with Dan Cummings.

Buddy Program Status: No update.

Staff Reports

Special Activities Representative: Susie Tolman – VA Volunteers meeting today at 1pm and should find out the date for decorating the VA hospital for Christmas. Need to do inventory on existing decorations stored in Red Cross Garage. No word yet on rescheduling VAC meetings.

AFV Satellite: Lt Col Ginny Alloway – Absent. No report.

Advertising Coordinator: Lt Col David Walker – Absent. No report.

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

Solitaires: Mavis Cleary – Thanked Irene Collier for heading up Solitaires during her extended vacation.

VP Personal Affairs: Col Dave Padden – Absent. No report.

Chaplain: Chaplain Taylor – Only had one call from a Duty Officer to counsel a widow. Per Susie “Join MOAA, live longer”!!

PR & Marketing: LtCol Cheryl Smith – One volunteer particularly anxious to get started volunteering. Jim to call him. Suggested building up 50th anniversary in each Lariat issue beginning in January. Also looking into the possibility of a MOAA cruise.

VP Legislative Affairs: Col Al Cote – Bob Flaughner is potential recruit for the legislative team. Jim Cunningham to send Al the presentation given at TCC meeting to assist in his efforts in recruiting for Stormin’ the Hill. Jim and Al to meet regarding crafting the new legislation for 2011.

VP Logistics: LtCol Fred Koechley – Confirmed Retiree Appreciation Day dates. Will meet with Jim Cunningham regarding picnic logistics. Fred gave Jim a copy of Lackland’s Casualty Assistance checklist to compare to MOAA’s.

Duty Officer: Col Irene Collier – LtCol Jim Cuskey now on board as Wednesday duty officer. Will be closed Friday and Monday. Keys for new P.O. Box will be provided to regular Duty Officers, not the part-timers.

Editor: Col Kerry Green – Col Lisa Skopal is in charge of marketing at Air Force Village and as our Board member this may assure AFV’s continuing to advertise in The Lariat. VGSAA did not have a meeting in August, next one slated for September.

Webmaster: Col Bill Hudson – Absent. No report. David Patrick suggested sending items to him to be added to the chapter website.

Administration: Trish Meserve – Noted calendar revisions to the calendar. Sent 5 new volunteer names to Dale Vande Hey. Reminder email for July has been sent. 2nd request for Aug and notice for September dues are in the works.-

Historian: Col Janice Edgersen – Reminded all of her project to capture the chapter’s history and asked anyone with memories of specific events to email her. It was suggested she contact Ed McCarthy and Sumner Hudson.

Consultant: Maj Len Mull – Absent. No report.

TOPS: Col David Patrick – No report.

Old Business:
None.

New Business:
None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, October 7 at the MOAA-AC Offices at 0900. **MEETING ADJOURNED at 10.00 am.**



Col David Patrick, USAF (Ret), Secretary