

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
Huntsville, Alabama Chapter
General Membership Meeting Minutes
26 February 2014

Vice President Charles Clements opened the meeting at 1128 at the Summit Club.

Opening Prayer: Bert Wiggers

Pledge of Allegiance: Charles Clements

Welcomes: Vice President Clements welcomed everyone, especially Guests and new Members:

- Special Guests:

Dr. Sarah Jacobs	Hillary Palmer	Nancy Robinson
Heather Robinson	Linda Burttram	Chris Hill

- New Members and First-Timers:

Capt Stephen Cecil, USMC (Ret.)	CDR Steve Middleton, USN (Ret.)
CDR Paul Morin, USN (Ret.)	LTC Joe Velasquez, USA (Ret.)

- Total Attendance: 35

Reports:

- Secretary's Report: (Secretary not present) Charles Clements presented the General Membership Meeting minutes for January which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: Rick West presented the January Treasurer's Report which was approved as written. Additionally, he reported that payment from USAA for an entire year's advertising in the Sentinel had been received.

	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
Jan 2014	\$9884.34	\$13647.09

- Significant sources of income were annual dues, LMT dues, recruiting incentive award from MOAA, and Sentinel advertising.
- Significant expenditures were NAVFOC annual dues and Sentinel hard copy.
- Membership: John Inman reported that 121 recruiting letters had been sent to MOAA National members who reside in area. John, Charles Clements, and Rick West briefed details of the March evening general membership meeting.
- Branch Concerns: none presented by membership-at-large
 - Army: Arno Hoerle - not present.
 - USAF: Ed Uher - not present.
 - USN/USMC: Louis Kubik - no issues.
- Legislative: Jerry Haynes - not present.
- Auxiliary and Hospitality: Carrie Hightower reminded everyone that the Summer Party would be June 21 and that a theme was being evaluated with the club.

Vice President's Comments:

- Applications for the RSACWC scholarships (including HCMOAA's) are being evaluated. Rick West is our representative on the Scholarship Committee this year.
- Last call to renew annual Chapter memberships
- Vacant positions – Sentinel Editor & Programs
- JROTC awards are on-going – need volunteers still for Butler, J.O. Johnson, and E. Lawrence High Schools.
- Golf Tournament kick-off meeting coming soon – need volunteers

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- Speakers
 - March – COL Barry Wright – MOAA National (evening meeting)
 - April – COL William Marks – Garrison Commander (Gold Bar Ceremony)
- Upcoming Events:
 - Next board meeting – 13 March
 - Next membership meeting – 26 March (evening meeting)
 - Next breakfast – 29 March
 - Summer Party – 21 June – save the date

New business:

- Heather Robinson won the 50/50 drawing (\$23 for Heather - \$23 for the Chapter).

Comments from Membership:

- None.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Sarah Jacobs, chiropractor and owner/operator of HealthSource of Huntsville. Dr. Jacobs discussed arthritis types and new treatments/diets that help limit their damaging effects.

Closing Prayer / Adjournment: Bert Wiggers provided the closing prayer. Meeting was adjourned at 1240.

Respectfully submitted by Don Kimminau