MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Huntsville, Alabama Chapter

General Membership Meeting Minutes

30 July 2014

President Bruce Robinson opened the meeting at 1130 at the Summit Club.

Pledge of Allegiance: Bruce Robinson **Opening Prayer:** Bert Wiggers

Welcomes: President Robinson welcomed everyone, especially Guests and new Members:

• Special Guests: Mr. Josh Scandlen - USAA Mrs. Wilda Szeremi

> Mrs. Kris Armitage Mrs. Mary Ann Parmentier

• New Members and First-Timers: Col David Byers, USA

31 members and guests were in attendance.

Reports:

Secretary's Report: Not Present.

Treasurer's Report: Rick West presented the June Treasurer's Report which was approved as written.

	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
June 2014	\$14922.14	\$15341.32

- o Significant sources of income included summer social and golf hole sponsorships.
- o Significant expenditures included hard copy sentinel, golf tourney printing/advertising fees, summer social, Tut Fann BBQ donation and Alabama Council of Chapters dues.
- Membership/Golf John Inman gave an update on the Golf Tourney. He emphasized the need for players to sign up and for members to donate prizes to be used for the raffles. He further stated that Membership drive efforts would restart after the tourney.
- Branch Concerns: none presented by membership-at-large
 - o Army: Arno Hoerle: nothing to report.
 - o USAF: Ed Uher: nothing to report.
 - USN/USMC: Louis Kubik: nothing to report.
- Legislative: Jerry Haynes. MOAA National is emphasizing contact with your representatives while Congress is in their August recess. He noted that our District 5 representative would be the guest speaker at our next membership meeting.
- Auxiliary and Hospitality: Not present.

President's Comments:

- Summer party results: 55 attended. Largest in years.
- 27 August membership meeting Guest speaker is Representative Mo Brooks. Food will be served in the ballroom. Meeting has been opened up to NAVFOC. \$15 meal fee - RSVP
- Golf Tournament is 29 August sign ups needed now.

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- Next board meeting 14 August
- Next breakfast 30 August at Steak and Shake
- MOAA SE Leadership Symposium 4-6 September in Jacksonville, FL. Four HCMOAA members will attend. MOAA HQ pays room and board - members pay travel.
- Oktoberfest 11-14 September
- RAD 18-20 September
- MOAA Annual Meeting 27-28 October in Washington, DC

New business:

- John Inman won the 50/50 drawing: \$17 for John and \$17 for the Chapter!
- Treasurer Rick West presented a Board of Governors' recommended Mid-Year Funding Proposal which will augment the current approved 2014 budget. Funding included support of the MOWW Youth Leadership Conference (\$50), self-insurance of golf tourney hole-in-one prize (\$500 if someone wins), augmentation of travel for Leadership Symposium attendees (\$200x4 = \$800), and purchase of a chapter color laser and supplies (\$750). The proposal was passed by a unanimous vote.

Comments from Membership:

None

Guest Speaker: Mr. Josh Scandlen from USAA discussed the following items. Significant member participation occurred during the briefing.

- USAA affiliation with MOAA
- Membership in USAA over the years
- The many financial planning services available for free through USAA
- Financial issues impacting planning and executing retirement
- Trusts and some of their pitfalls
- In-force illustrations on permanent life insurance policies

Closing Prayer / Adjournment: Norb Patla provided the closing prayer. Meeting was adjourned at 1235.

Respectfully submitted by Rick West