MLITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Huntsville, Alabama Chapter General Membership Meeting Minutes

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March 30, 2016

1st VP Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1135 hours at the Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. 30 members and guests were in attendance.

Opening Prayer: Chaplain Bert Wiggers Pledge of Allegiance: Col Gerald Maxwell

Welcomes: Col Maxwell provided opening remarks and welcomed members and guests:

- Guests: COL Jim Heverin, Marty Morin and guest speaker Rodney Pennywell.
- New Members: None
- Past Presidents: Harold Hicks and Bruce Robinson in attendance.

Reports:

• Secretary's Report: MAJ Joe Williams presented the February 2016 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the February 2016 Treasurer's Report which was approved as written.

| Month | Opening Balance | Closing Balance |
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| February 2016 | \$9897.68 | \$10822.73 |

Notable income included individual dues, Sentinel advertising, Gold Bar incentive, recruiting incentive, and meeting meal payments. Notable expenses included Chamber of Commerce dues, hard copy Sentinel, P.O. Box renewal, Council of Chapters travel, and membership meeting meals.

- Service Concerns:
 - o Army: COL James Treadway: None
 - o Air Force: Col Gerald Maxwell: None
 - Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik: None
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Jerry Haynes discussed the HB313 and SB287 that are being considered, which places veteran services at risk, and the Holzclaw Hold Harmless Amendment.
- Membership: CDR Chris Downing reported that 40 members have been dropped from membership role. Chris elaborated on the next membership drive when the National membership list is received in April.
- ROTC: CDR John Inman provided a status of the ROTC program and expounded on the JROTC awards ceremonies. The April General Membership meeting is a Gold Bar Ceremony.
- Golf: The golf committee is focusing on getting sponsors for the tournament. Flyers and forms are available on the HCMOAA web site. The next golf committee meeting is planned for June. Volunteers are solicited.
- Sentinel: Again, the membership is encouraged to help identify new sponsors. Contact Bruce Robinson or Charles Clements with leads.
- Programs: COL Treadway. No report.
- Auxiliary: Mrs. Jan Camp. No Report
- Hospitality: Mrs. Carrie Hightower. Carrie reminded the membership of the upcoming June social. Details to be announced in the next Sentinel issue.

• Reports from VPs and Others: None

President's Comments:

- Sentinel Sponsors: Membership encouraged to identify potential sponsors
- JROTC: Presenters are needed
- Congressman Mo Brooks: Invited for August meeting
- Changes to Constitution and By Laws: Summary of changes to be published in July
- Next Board Meeting: Scheduled on 14 April at the Summit.
- Next Membership Meeting: Gold Bar Ceremony, LTG Patrick O'Reilly is the guest speaker
- Next Breakfast: 30 April at the Golden Corral. Changes to the breakfast schedule announced. Discontinuing the June and December breakfasts. Moving the monthly breakfast to the 2nd Saturday starting in July and will announce this change in the newsletter.

New Business: None

Comments from Membership: None

Guest Speaker: Rodney O. Pennywell, Pennywell Development Company

• Rodney is the Chief Strategist promoting business coaching, business strategy and motivational techniques for achieving collective business or personal aspirations. Rodney's theme to "Converse, Strategize and Execute" permeated throughout his motivational presentation. Details on Rodney's consultant offering can be found at www.pennywelldevco.com.

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bert Wiggers

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1225

Submitted:

Joe H. Williams Date

Secretary, HCMOAA

Approved by General Membership:

Charles T. Clements

Date

President, HCMOAA