

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**  
**Huntsville, Alabama Chapter**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
August 31, 2016

President Charles Clements opened the meeting at 1130 hours at the Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. 44 members and guests were in attendance.

**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain Bert Wiggers    **Pledge of Allegiance:** Lt Col Charles Clements

**Welcomes:** Lt Col Clements provided opening remarks and welcomed members and guests:

- Guests: Congressman Mo Brooks, guest speaker, and CW4 (Ret) Mike Mittlebeeler.
- New Members: None
- Past President: None

**Reports:**

- Secretary's Report: MAJ Joe Williams presented the July 2016 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the July 2016 Treasurer's Reports which were approved as written.

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
July 2016	\$9151.21	\$8601.25

Notable income included dues and fund transfer for ½ laser toner cost. Notable expenses included Council of Chapters travel, office supplies, hard copy Sentinel printing, and stamps for recruiting letters.

- Service Concerns:
  - Army: COL James Treadway: Not Present.
  - Air Force: Col Gerald Maxwell: None
  - Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik: None
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Jerry Haynes: Not Present.
- Membership: CDR Chris Downing: Not Present.
- ROTC: CDR John Inman: Not Present.
- Golf: MAJ Robinson: Not Present. CAPT West reported that the Golf Tournament preparation is on schedule and no issues noted. CAPT West elaborated on the prizes and auctioned items including Skybox tickets for the Iron Bowl game on November 26. Solicitations continue for sponsors, golfers and direct donors to the scholarship fund. Volunteer are needed to assist with the various tournament activities.
- Sentinel: MAJ Robinson: Not Present. CAPT West reported one yearly renewal. He iterated the need for new advertisers.
- Programs: COL Treadway: Not Present. Lt Col Clements informed the membership of the upcoming schedule of events and activities. See the Sentinel for a complete listing.
- Auxiliary: Mrs. Jan Camp. No Report.
- Hospitality: Mrs. Carrie Hightower reminded all to RSVP for the December Christmas Party. She also informed the membership that the Chapter breakfast venue has moved from the Golden Corral to the Royal Rose Restaurant.
- Reports from VPs and Others: No Reports.

**President's Comments:**

- HCMOAA selected for the 5 Star Level of Excellence Award.
- Trip planned for Gen. Joseph F. Wheeler home near Hillsboro, Al. on Saturday, 15 October.
- Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD) Redstone Arsenal scheduled on 22-24 September.
  - 22 Sep: Golf Tournament and Honor Walk
  - 23 Sep: Health Fair, Flu Shots, and Retiree Dinner
  - 24 Sep: Speaker Program and Exhibits
- Next Golf Committee meeting: 9 September.
- Next Board meeting: 8 September at the Summit.
- Next Breakfast: 10 September at the Royal Rose Restaurant.
- Next Membership Meeting: 29 September at the Summit.

**New Business:**

- Christmas Social: Planned on 17 December at the Overlook. RSVP deadline is on 7 December.

**Comments from Membership:** None

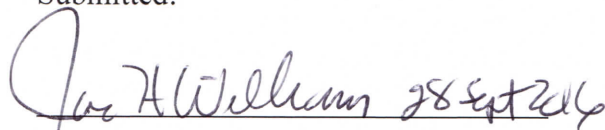
**Guest Speaker:** Congressman Mo Brooks, U.S. Representative for Alabama's 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District presented a Washington update brief addressing the following:

- Annual deficit and debt service cost, insolvency risks and solutions.
- Immigration Reform and the political implications and economic impacts of lawful immigration vs illegal aliens.
- Trade deals and partnership historical consequences.
- Q&A period. The membership questions centered around the following areas:
  - Health care
  - Supreme Court decisions
  - Syrian refugees
  - Armed Forces Budget

**Closing Prayer:** Chaplin Bert Wiggers

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 1237.

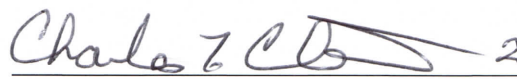
Submitted:

 28 Sept 2016

Joe H. Williams  
Secretary, HCMOAA

Date

Approved by General Membership:

 28 Sep 2016

Charles T. Clements  
President, HCMOAA

Date