

**MLITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**  
**Huntsville, Alabama Chapter**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
February 22, 2017

President Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1133 hours at the Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. 28 members and guests were in attendance.

**Opening Prayer:** LTC Bert Wiggers

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Col Gerald Maxwell

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

- Guests: Beverly Lowe, President NAVFOC
- New Members: None
- Past President: Lt Col Charles Clements

**Reports:**

- Secretary's Report: MAJ Joe Williams presented the January 2017 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the January 2017 Treasurer's Report which was approved as written.

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
Jan 2017	\$7525.62	\$7649.40

Notable income includes individual dues, LMT dues and membership meeting meal payments.

Notable expenses included AL Council of Chapters annual dues, Chamber of Commerce annual dues, purchase of frames and plaque nametags, the January hard copy Sentinel mailing, the band for the Christmas Social, travel for the January Council of Chapters meeting, purchase of ROTC awards, RSACWC gift basket donation, and membership meeting meals.

- Service Concerns:
  - Army: COL James Treadway: NSTR
  - Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik: NSTR
  - Air Force: Col Ed Uher: NSTR
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Jerry Haynes: Jerry informed the membership that MOAA published a weekly Legislative report accessible to those that subscribe.
- Membership: CDR Chris Downing: Chapter membership is reconciled with National and now working on collecting about 40 delinquent renewals.
- ROTC: Lt Col Clements discussed the upcoming ROTC awards program schedule and solicited volunteers. He also updated the membership on the situation with MOAA National discontinuing to provide medals supporting Chapter ROTC awards program.
- Sentinel: MAJ Robinson: No discussion.

- Golf: MAJ Robinson: Kick-off meeting planned for April. Seeking volunteers for the Golf committee.
- Programs: COL Treadway: Chapter day trip planned on 21 August to view the solar eclipse. CAPT West coordinating and is researching bus transportation.
- Auxiliary: Mrs. Jan Camp: NSTR
- Hospitality: Mrs. Carrie Hightower expressed her concern with widows group membership attrition.
- Reports from VPs and Others: None

**President's Comments:**

- Sentinel sponsors continue to be needed. See MAJ Robinson with potential contacts.
- Contact Lt Col Clements if interested in being a JROTC awards presenter. Volunteers needed.
- Contact Golf chair, Maj Bruce Robinson, or Lt Col Charles Clements if interested in participating on the gold committee.
- Communications Award and LOE packets submitted.
- Next Membership Meeting: 29 February
- Next Board meeting: 9 March
- Next Breakfast: 11 March
- AUSA Military Family Forum: 14 March 0900-1100 at the VBC. Update on military health care.

**New Business:** None

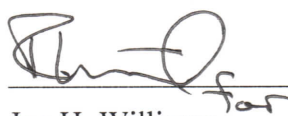
**Comments from Membership:** None

**Guest Speaker:** Charles Harriman, Certified Estate Planner, Cloud Financial presented investment, income, and retirement financial planning insight and strategies. They can be contacted at <http://cloudfinancial.com/> or by e-mail at [cloudfinancial@cloudfinancial.com](mailto:cloudfinancial@cloudfinancial.com) or at telephone 256-715-0094.

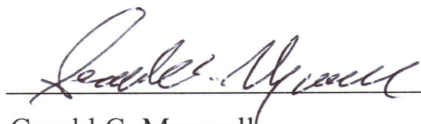
**Closing Prayer:** LTC Bert Wiggers

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 1240.

Submitted:

 3/29/17  
 Joe H. Williams Date  
 Secretary, HCMOAA

Approved by General Membership:

 3/29/17  
 Gerald C. Maxwell Date  
 President, HCMOAA