

MLITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
Huntsville, Alabama Chapter
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 29, 2017

President Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1132 hours at the Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. 25 members and guests were in attendance.

Opening Prayer: Lt Col Jerry Haynes

Pledge of Allegiance: Col Maxwell

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

- Guests: Judy Haynes, Janet Page
- New Members: None
- Past President(s): MAJ Bruce Robinson

Reports:

- Secretary's Report: For the Acting Secretary, CAPT Rick West presented the October 2017 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the October 2017 Treasurer's Report which was approved as written.

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
October 2017	\$6691.42	\$6064.49

Notable income included individual dues and membership meeting meal payments. Notable expenses included NAVFOC dues, hard copy Sentinel printing and mailing, stamps for potential members mailing, social door prizes, ALCOC travel, and membership meeting meals. In addition, CAPT West briefed the format for the upcoming (January) ALCOC Strategy Session (in concert with the quarterly meeting). He stated that payment of the overnight stay cost for 2 members would be presented to the Governing Board for approval.

- Service Concerns:
 - Army: COL James Treadway: N.S.T.R.
 - Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik thanked those who participated in a very successful Heroes Week.
 - Air Force: Col Ed Uher: N.P.
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Jerry Haynes: Reminded all of the upcoming election in Alabama.
- Membership: CDR Chris Downing: N.S.T.R.
- ROTC: Lt Col Clements N.P. Of note, there will be no ROTC commissionings this fall/winter.
- Sentinel: MAJ Robinson reported that the Sentinel will be published tomorrow. CAPT West reported that 1 advertiser has renewed for a year.
- Golf: MAJ Robinson reported that the golf committee will resume meetings in January.
- Programs: COL Treadway reported that we have speakers lined up through May.

- Auxiliary: Mrs. Jan Camp: N.S.T.R.
- Hospitality: Mrs. Carrie Hightower reminded us of approaching Christmas Party RSVP deadline.
- Reports from VPs and Others: CAPT West provided a summary of the Chapter's Veterans Day parade actions. He also provided details regarding the March membership meeting which will be held at Nick's Ristorante on 28 March 2018.

President's Comments:

- Sentinel sponsors continue to be needed. Continue to seek new members!
- It is time for annual members to renew. Contact CDR Downing or see the Sentinel if you are unsure you need to renew.
- Next Governing Board Meeting: 14 December at the Java Café.
- Christmas Social: 16 December at the Overlook on Redstone Arsenal.
- There is no breakfast social in December; next one will be 13 January at the Royal Rose Diner.
- Next Membership Meeting: No meeting in December due to the Christmas Social. Next meeting will be 31 January 2018. It is not too early to RSVP!
- Gift wrapping fundraiser will be 24 December 1000-1800. Volunteers are still needed!

New Business: MAJ Robinson and CAPT West reviewed many of the TRICARE changes coming in January 2018. Make sure you review information put out by TRICARE and by MOAA. Online websites are good sources. Impact on TFL is minimal.

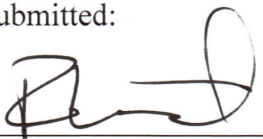
Comments from Membership: None.

Guest Speaker: The guest speaker was our own Chapter member, COL John Olshefski – Huntsville Utilities Vice President for Customer Care. COL Olshefski briefed us on Huntsville Utilities' plans for the future, improvements made/being made in operations, service, and technology. Additionally, he provided details on the install of Google Fiber and "Smart Meters" for electricity and water.

Closing Prayer: Lt Col Haynes


Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1231.

Submitted:


 Richard C. West
 Treasurer, HCMOAA

1/31/18
 Date

Approved by General Membership:


 Gerald C. Maxwell
 President, HCMOAA

31 JAN 2018
 Date