## MLITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

# Huntsville, Alabama Chapter **General Membership Meeting Minutes**

May 30, 2018

President Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1132 hours at The Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Thirty (30) members and guests were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance: Col Maxwell **Opening Prayer:** LTC Wiggers

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

o Guests: Alberta Jobczynski and Joe Baldauf

New Members: Troy Freymiller

o Past Presidents: COL Hal Hicks and MAJ Bruce Robinson

# **Reports:**

- Secretary's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the April 2018 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the April 2018 Treasurer's Report which was approved as written.

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
March	\$6919.55	\$6932.75

Notable income included individual dues, Sentinel advertising and collections for membership meeting meals. Notable expenses included Sentinel (printing and mailing), Gold Bar ceremony purchases (frames and bars) and payments for membership meeting meals.

- Service Concerns:
  - o Army: COL James Treadway: NP
  - o Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik: NSTR
  - o Air Force: Col Ed Uher: NP
- Legislative Issues: Col Maxwell reminded all that AL primaries were June 5<sup>th</sup> and that all hands should exercise their Constitutional right to vote.
- Membership: CDR Downing reported that 120 recruitment letters would be mailed in the next day or two.
- ROTC: NP
- Sentinel: MAJ Robinson reported that The Sentinel for June will be sent out tomorrow. As always, advertisers are needed.
- Golf: MAJ Robinson informed us of the next 2018 Golf Tournament Planning meeting at The Links on 22 June at noon. We can use more volunteers on the committee and sponsors / donors for the tournament.
- Programs: NP
- Hospitality: Mrs. Hightower reported that there will be no surviving spouse / widows meetings in July or August.

• Surviving Spouse: NSTR

**Reports from VPs and Others:** RAD is formally scheduled 20 to 22 September. The format will be the same as the 2017 RAD except the drive thru flu shots will not occur - Fox AHC won't have the vaccine until October. Fox is working to see if Walgreens can support the drive thru shots. MAJ Robinson provided a brief update on the new Dental / Vision program and stated that more details would be available in The Sentinel. CAPT West provided a brief update on the National MOAA "Storming the Hill", in which the AL Council President and Surviving Spouse advisor participated.

### **President's Comments:**

- Memorial Day Wreath Ceremony was cancelled due to potential inclement weather
- Tut Fann BBQ: 9 June
- Next Breakfast: 9 June at the Royal Rose Diner
- Next Governing Board Meeting: 14 June at the Java Café
- Next Membership Meeting: No Membership Meetings in June or July. The next Membership Meeting will be 29 August Congressman Mo Brooks is scheduled to speak.

**New Business:** The new "Emeritus" membership category has been implemented. Congratulations letters will be sent to 24 chapter members tomorrow.

**Comments from Membership:** NSTR

**Guest Speaker:** COL Thomas Holliday, USA (RSA Garrison Commander) discussed RSA past, present, and future development and growth issues. He fielded many questions and was very frank and detailed in his responses.

Closing Prayer: LTC Wiggers

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 1245.

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Treasurer, HCMOAA

Richard C. West

Date

Approved by General Membership:

Gerald C. Maxwell

President, HCMOAA

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