

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**  
**Huntsville, Alabama Chapter**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
September 26, 2018

President Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1135 hours at The Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Thirty-one (31) members and guests were in attendance.

**Opening Prayer:** LTC Wiggers

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Col Maxwell

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

- Guests: Michael Ballard, Heather Minton, and Angela Inman
- New Members: None
- Past Presidents: Lt Col Charles Clements

**Reports:**

- Secretary's Report: The Acting Secretary, Lt Col Clements, presented the August 2018 General Membership Meeting minutes which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: CAPT Rick West presented the Treasurer's Report for August 2018 which was approved as written.

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
August	\$6,012.97	\$5,806.78

Notable income included individual dues, collection for membership meeting meals, bankcard payments for the golf tournament, and re-imbursement of "Bill Pay" for golf tournament items. Notable expenses for August included payments for ALCOC travel reimbursement, member lunches, "Bill Pay" for golf tournament item, and bankcard payment for the golf tournament.

- Service Concerns:
  - Army: COL James Treadway: NSTR
  - Navy/Marines: CW4 Louis Kubik: NSTR
  - Air Force: Col Ed Uher: NP
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Clements stated that there is a runoff for the District 2 seat on the Huntsville City Council. The election is set for 9 October. He also informed membership of a "sample ballot" for the General Election that is on our website. He asked membership plan to vote in the General Election on 6 November.
- Membership: CDR Downing informed membership she intends to dispatch another group of recruiting letters in October.
- ROTC: Lt Col Clements met with the new Professor of Military Science, Major George Bolton, at Alabama A&M University and learned that there will be 4 or 5 commissioning cadets in 2018. There is a potential for a Gold Bar ceremony in December.
- Sentinel: October's Sentinel will be sent out in the next few days—soft and hard copies. Advertisers are needed.
- Programs: The trip to the Helen Keller house is on 20 October. We will car pool and have lunch before returning to Huntsville.

- Hospitality: December Social menu will be in the upcoming Sentinel.
- Surviving Spouse: NP
- **Reports from VPs and Others:**
  - Golf / RAD: CAPT West shared the highlights of the golf tournament and the RAD. We had 20 sponsors, totaling \$10,800; we sold over \$1,100 in Mulligans; and the Silent Auction took in over \$1,250. We had 88 registered golfers—81 golfers played. There were issues: dirty patio and the two drink carts went unmanned. As for the RAD, we manned a table Friday morning for the Health Fair and there were flu shots. Saturday the breakfast was uneventful. The turnout for the briefing was low. The After Action Report meeting had a lot of action items—ineffective advertisement for one.
  - Open Season to sign up for new TRICARE dental and vision insurance is from 12 November to 10 December. There are 4 vision plans and 10 dental plans. Recommend you take the list to your dental and eye health care providers. Speak to the person that manages your vision and dental claims to get a recommendation as to the best provider and also which providers they will accept.

**President's Comments:**

- Next Breakfast: 13 October at the Royal Rose Diner
- Next Governing Board Meeting: 11 October at the Java Café
- Next Membership Meeting: 31 October at the Summit; speaker is Lyndon Smith

**New Business:**

- The FY 2019 budget was approved.
- Nominations of candidates for elective office were listed: President, Rick West; 1st Vice President, Pat Nash; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, John Inman; Treasurer, Charles Clements; Secretary, Mike Barron; Army Representative, James Treadway; Navy / USMC Representative, Lou Kubik and Air Force Representative, Ed Uher. Nominations are still open.

**Comments from Membership:** NSTR

**Guest Speaker:** Our speaker was Michael Ballard of Alliance Wealth Management Group. He spoke about the economy during the time of President Trump. He briefly touched on the changes to the Tax Code for 2018, commented on the Social Security and then discussed how to manage one's wealth accumulation for a lifetime. Several questions were asked.

**Closing Prayer:** LTC Wiggers

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 1230.

Submitted:

Approved by General Membership:

*Charles T. Clements* 31 Oct 18

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Acting Secretary, HCMOAA

Date

*Gerald C. Maxwell* 31 Oct 2018

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President, HCMOAA

Date