MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Huntsville, Alabama Chapter General Membership Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2019

President Gerald Maxwell opened the meeting at 1135 hours at The Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Fifty-five (55) 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: LTC Dave Jensen, USA (Ret.), Ms. Marty Linz, Ms. Pat Dosdall, Ms. Sandrah Fagar, Ms. Lana Barshinger, Ms. Mary Ann Carleton, Ms. Kristina DeBusk, Ms. Judy Haynes, Ms. Angie Inman, Ms. Ann Leide, Ms. Kelly Pardew, Ms. Brandie Ragin, and Ms. Bonnie Treadway.
- o New Members: MG John Leide, USA (Ret.), MAJ Theron Bowman, USA (Ret.), LTC Gary Flecker, USA (Ret.) and MAJ Sean Sterling, USA (Ret.)
- o Past Presidents: MAJ Bruce Robinson, USA (Ret.) and Lt Col Charles Clements, USAF (Ret.)

Reports:

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

Month	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
December	\$5,252.42	\$3,941.28
November	\$5,050.68	\$5,252.42

Notable income: Individual dues and membership meal and Christmas social payments.

Notable expenses: bankcard annual fees, payments for Christmas social and membership meeting meals, website domain name and site renewals, ROTC/JROTC medals, and sponsorship of MOWW Youth Leadership Conference.

- Service Concerns:
 - o Army: COL James Treadway: NSTR
 - Navv/Marines: NSTR
 - o Air Force: Col Ed Uher: NSTR
- Legislative Issues: A 3-week continuing resolution (CR) was passed. Navy is christening a new Destroyer named after former Alabama Senator and POW Rear Admiral Jeremiah Denton. Former HCMOAA member Casey Wardynski was confirmed as Assistant Secretary of Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs
- Membership: Delinquent renewals are coming in. Will be contacting delinquent members in February.

- ROTC: Our first JROTC Medal will be presented by Lt Col Dunlap at Sparkman HS scheduled to be presented today, but ceremony delayed due to weather. Emails have been sent to local High Schools and the University of Alabama A&M University asking for ceremony dates.
- Sentinel: Advertisers are needed. February newsletter will be distributed 31 January.
- Public Affairs: Redstone Rocket meeting information was updated.
- Programs: The February 2019 speaker is Special Agent Corey Stroud, FBI.
- Hospitality: Breakfast will be second Saturday. February 9th, at 0900 at Galen's restaurant (formerly Mullins) off Andrew Jackson Way.
- Surviving Spouse: NSTR
- Reports from VPs and Others: NSTR

New Business:

- President Maxwell introduced LTC Jensen President of the Alabama Council of Chapters.
 Elected officers were sworn in by LTC Jensen. The new Chapter officers are: President Rick
 West; 1st Vice President Pat Nash; 2nd 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.
- President West presented an \$11,000 check to the RSA Military & Civilians' Club for their Merit Awards scholarship fund.

Comments from Membership: Kiwanis club pancake breakfast is March 2, 2019 at Huntsville High School. Advance tickets are \$6; \$7 at the door.

Guest Speaker: Guest speaker was Marty Linz, EA, MBA from H&R Block. She has 8 years of experience preparing taxes and is an Enrolled Agent of the IRS. She provided an information pamphlet regarding the changes that may impact members from the 2018 tax law. She reminded the membership that although some deductions such as charitable contributions that may not be applicable to the federal return may be applicable to the state return.

Closing Prayer: LTC Wiggers

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1250.

Submitted:

Richard C. West

Approved by General Membership:

President, HCMOAA

Michael C. Barron

Secretary, HCMOAA

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