

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**  
**Huntsville, Alabama Chapter**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
January 29, 2020

President Richard West opened the meeting at 1130 hours at The Summit Club, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

**Opening Prayer:** NP

**Pledge of Allegiance:** CAPT West

**Welcomes:** CAPT West provided opening remarks and welcomed members and guests:

- New Members: MAJ William Steele, USA (Ret.)
- Guests: Mrs. Michelle Nash, President RSAMCC, Mrs. Susan Sandner, Mrs. Audrey Ransom, Mrs. Bonnie Treadway, Mrs. Lana Barshinger, RSAMCC, Mrs. Kerrie Sheppard, RSAMCC, Dr. Earnest Davis, Mrs. Kristina DeBusk, RSAMCC, Ms. LeighAnne Patterson and Judge Ruth Ann Hall (guest speaker).
- Past Presidents: MAJ Bruce Robinson, Lt Col Charles Clements

**Reports:**

- Secretary's Report: CAPT West presented the November minutes, which were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: Lt Col Clements presented both the November and December reports which were approved as written.
- Service Concerns:
  - Army: COL James Treadway: NSTR
  - Navy/Marines: CWO4 Kubik: NSTR
  - Air Force: Col Ed Uher: NP
- Legislative Issues: Lt Col Clements attended a legislative breakfast with Mac McCutcheon as guest speaker. Items covered were gaming and mental health resources.
- Membership: NSTR
- LMT:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY20 report was submitted.
  - The \$5K LMT CD was renewed for 9 months.
  - LMT paid dues for all LMT members.
- ROTC: Process for 2020 has started and units are being contacted.
- Sentinel/Golf: Sentinel will be published 1 February; continue to need advertisers. First Golf Committee meeting held; looking for sponsors. New forms/letters are available.
- Public Affairs: NSTR
- Programs: Slate of speakers filled (tentatively) through May; none are required for June or July (no meetings); looking for ideas for the second half of the year.
- Hospitality: NSTR
- Surviving Spouse: NSTR

- Personal Affairs: NP
- Reports from VPs and Others:
  - o NAVFOC – Due to resignations and By-Law requirements, all new board members have been elected with exception of the Treasurer who was not up for election.
  - o ALCOC – Membership concerns being addressed with National. Created a new award for an Alabama Legislator who did the most for the Veteran Community during the Year.

**President's Comments:** CAPT West presented the Merit Award donation for \$12K to the RSAMCC.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Two new committees formed: Christmas party and Sentinel advertisers.

**Comments from Membership:**

- COL Mike Roddy informed the group of the upcoming Kiwanis “all you can eat breakfast” on March 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 0630 at Huntsville High School.


**Guest Speaker:** CAPT West introduced Judge Ruth Ann Hall, Veterans Court. Judge Hall gave an overview of the program and answered questions. Contact her assistant, Ms. LeighAnne Patterson at (256) 532-3618 option 1, for additional information.


**Closing Prayer:** NP

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 1300.

Submitted:

Approved by General Membership:

 FEBRUARY 26, 2020  
 Michael C. Barron Date  
 Secretary, HCMOAA

 2/26/20  
 Richard C. West Date  
 President, HCMOAA