Military Officers Association of America El Paso Chapter



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 2014

A meeting of the Military Officers' Association of America (MOAA) Board of Director's, El Paso Chapter, for August 2014 was held on 23 August 2014 at 1000 in the Candlewood Suites conference room, El Paso, TX.

Attendance:

COL(R) Lennie Enzel, President

COL(R) Steve Barrett, 3rd Vice President

COL(R) Bob Pitt, Programs

COL(R) Forrest Smith, Immediate Past President

LTC(R) Bill Moore, Editor/Webmaster LTC(R) John Rasmussen, Chaplain MAJ(R) Ed Stone, Legislative Chair Mrs. Lenae Rasmussen, Treasurer Mrs. Judy Stone, Public Relations

Ms. Elma Smith, Guest Mrs. Connie Sullivan, Guest

1.Administrative

The meeting was called to order at 1010. LTC(R) John Rasmussen provided the invocation. COL(R) Enzel led a discussion on the positive remarks she received from the membership regarding the August Luncheon—"A good time was had by all in attendance." She further stated that Mr. Ken Hudnall would provide his bio and photo for use in the October Border Bulletin.

2. Old Business

- A. <u>Secretary</u>: The minutes from the July 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved with the exceptions that Bill Moore will correct.
 - B. <u>Treasurer</u>: Lenae Rasmussen explained the July and August (thru 23 August) expense reports. The BOD approved both reports. The BOD approved the allocation of \$240.00 to update the OuickBooks software.
 - C. Recruiting/Membership: No report.
 - D. <u>Programs</u>: COL(R) Bob Pitt stated that the August luncheon went well. The October luncheon is being planned, and the guest speaker will be Mr. Ken Hudnall. Mr Hudnall will provide insight on the "Ghost of Fort Bliss." An invitation was sent to Congressman O'Rourke to be the December Guest Speaker. MG Twitty will be invited if Congressman O'Rourke is not available. Bob presented the prize table report for Julie Pitt.
 - E. <u>Legislative</u>: Ed Stone provided the legislative report. There have been no changes since the last report. He does not believe much will change attributable to congressional vacations and the upcoming elections. Forrest Smith requested that Ed present the "Top 2" legislative issues in the Border Bulletin and to the membership at future membership meetings. Ed agreed to the

suggestion. Ed also agreed to put a legislative score card at each luncheon table to further educate the membership

- F. <u>Bulletin Editor</u>: LTC(R) Bill Moore reminded everyone that articles for the October Border Bulletin are be due by 03 September 2014. He further stated that the October Border Bulletin would be distributed to high school counselors and JROTC chiefs in the El Paso Community (86 additional copies).
- G. Webmaster: Nothing to update.
- H. Public Relations: Judy Stone gave report on the publicity for the October luncheon
- I. <u>JROTC/ROTC</u>: COL(R) Steve Barrett discussed inviting UTEP ROTC cadets to the October luncheon. Steve will contact the PMS for the number and names of cadets who will attend.
- J. Outreach Foundation: No report.

3. New Business

- A. Judy Stone suggested that we do another food drive at the October Luncheon. She will provide Bill Moore with input for the Border Bulletin and a mass mailing.
- B. The September BOD meeting date changed to 20 September because of Retiree Appreciation Day conflicts on 27 September.
- C. COL(R) Forrest Smith inquired on the work and coordination being done on building 127 which will become the new Fort Bliss meeting site for the chapter. Chaplain Rasmussen stated he is working with the Garrison Chaplain on sponsorship and that Bldg 127 was no longer available for our use. The building was given to another organization.
- D. COL(R) Enzel reported that LTC(R) BJ Jackson volunteered to assume the final 501(c)(3) processing.
- E. Steve Barrett will follow-up with LTC Lee, UTEP ROTC reference monetary support for UTEP's participation in the Army 10-miler.
- 4. There being no further business John Rasmussen gave the benediction, and the meeting was adjourned at 1133.

Respectfully submitted by: LTC(R) Bill Moore, Acting Secretary

> LENORE ENZEL COL(R), USA MOAA President, El Paso Chapter