# Military Officers Association of America El Paso Chapter



## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 2017

A meeting of the El Paso Chapter of the Military Officers Association (MOAA) was held on 18 November 2017 at the Candlewood Suites, El Paso Texas.

#### Attendance:

President: COL (RET) Forrest Smith

Treasurer: Ms. Elma Smith

Immediate Past President/Legislative Liaison: COL (RET) Lennie Enzel

Programs: Col (RET) Bob Pitt

Publications/Newsletter Editor: LTC (RET) Bill Moore

Membership: CPT (RET) Steve Mendoza

ROTC/JROTC Programs: LTC (RET) Dave Powell

El Paso Chapter Outreach Foundation: BG (RET) Jack Kotter

- 1. <u>Administrative:</u> The meeting was called to order at 0800. LTC (RET) Dave Powell provided the invocation.
- 2. <u>President's Remarks</u>: COL (RET) Forrest Smith welcomed everyone and reminded everyone the October Outreach Foundation meeting will commence immediately after the conclusion of this meeting.

### 3. Old Business:

- A. <u>Acting Secretary</u>: LTC (RET) Moore provided a copy of the October 2017 BOD minutes which were approved as submitted.
- B. <u>Treasurer:</u> Ms. Elma Smith provided a review of the October 2017 Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss statement. The report was approved as submitted.
- C. <u>Immediate Past President</u>: COL (RET) Lennie Enzel reported receipt of MOAA legislative update. She attended Representative O'Rourke's Veteran Town Hall meeting. Veterans presented three health related issues. There were no issues at the 17 November Veteran Service Organizations (VSO) meeting.
- D. <u>Membership</u>: CPT (RET) Steve Mendoza reported he is actively recruiting ANG members for chapter membership.
- E. Programs: Col (RET) Bob Pitt reported the following.
  - 1. Net income from the dinner was \$243.81 with another \$159 raised at the door prize table.
  - 2. The Golf Course is reserved for 10 February Membership meeting.
  - 3. Judge Argie Barrill, 346TH State District Court, will be the guest speaker. Judge Barrill started the El Paso Veterans Court in 2012. Judge Barrill's bio and photo will be emailed to LTC (RET) Bill Moore.

- F. Legislative Liaison: See Paragraph C above.
- G. <u>Publications/Webmaster</u>: LTC (RET) Bill Moore indicated the December Border Bulletin was mailed to the membership. He stated he would mail the Installation Script to BG (RET) Kotter. He further stated that MonteVista was on schedule for the December luncheon and finally added that input for the February 2018 Border Bulletin would be due on 3 January 2018.
- H. <u>Public Relations:</u> LTC (RET) Martha Caldwell was absent; luncheon announcements have been distributed to the standard outlets (EP Times, EP Inc., and The Bugle)
- I. <u>JROTC/ROTC</u>: LTC (RET) Dave Powell reported a need to order new MOAA ROTC/JROTC medals. The BOD approved the request to purchase new medals. Dave will purchase the medals and submit a voucher for reimbursement.
- J. Auxiliary/Surviving Spouse Liaison: Ms. Connie Sullivan was absent.
- K. <u>Door Prizes</u>: LTC (RET) Caldwell was absent but did report door prizes will be available for the next luncheon.

#### 4. New Business:

- A. <u>Proposed Scholarship to first year ROTC students:</u> LTC (RET) Dave Powell presented a proposal for The El Paso Chapter Military Officers Association of America Annual Scholarship for an El Paso JROTC cadet. The BOD forwarded the request to the Outreach Foundation for approved and funding at a value of \$500.00 annually.
- B. <u>2018 USAA/MOAA Council Chapter Sponsor Application (\$300)</u>: LTC (RET) Bill Moore stated he would complete the application for the chapter.
- C. <u>December Luncheon:</u> The December Brunch will be held at the MonteVista at Coronado on 2 December 2017. A gift exchange will be held; wrapped gifts should be \$20 or less and there will be a maximum of 2 exchanges for each selected gift.
- D. <u>Army-Navy Game:</u> Annual rivalry game will be held on 9 Dec 2017. The Chapter voted unanimously to donate \$350 to the annual gathering at the Centennial Club.
- E. MOAA Day at the Races: The BOD voted to cancel the 2018 event.
- F. MOAA Electronic Support Message: LTC (RET) Bill Moore stated he would complete the application for the chapter. Request would be submitted in such time to be in the hands of area non-chapter members two weeks prior to the February 2018 luncheon.
- 5. The meeting was adjourned at 0910.

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

> FORREST SMITH COL, USA, Retired MOAA President, El Paso Chapter