

Fort Campbell MOAA Executive Committee Meeting

Date: 24 Aug 2017

Location: Kandahar room, Commons, Ft Campbell, Ky

Attendees: Ann Clarke, JT Smith, Howard French, Monroe Gildersleeve, Eddie Sumbler, Bill Summers, Ivan Adames, Tim Powers, Tom Borlund, Sherry Pickering

Meeting called to order CDR Adames at 12:03 local

Chaplain Sumbler conducted the opening prayer.

Adames: Old business – none, Noted that Secretary Singleton was absent and Tim Powers would take notes for the minutes.

Reviewed minutes from August Membership meeting. Corrections and omissions noted for revision of the draft. Revised minutes approved (motion by Powers, 2nd by Smith, motion carried unanimously).

Treasurer's report was next presented by Powers. Balances are General Fund: \$4,088.60, Scholarship Fund: \$7,035.00, Directory Fund: \$0.00, Total: \$11,123.60. August lunch meal: Receipts \$1,026.00, cost \$600.00. pending debits: \$65.00 to M. Crain; \$262.5 to I. Adames for J. Daniels Distillery facility rent. Pending credits: None. 93 members have paid a total of \$1100.00 in dues for 2017. Treasurers report motion to approve by Bill Summers, 2nd by J.T. Smith, motion carried unanimously

Liability insurance quotes were presented as follows: Dunn's \$453.00, Mercer \$320.00, Sills \$397.00. Discussion followed about need for local agent. Committed recommended checking with Mercer for ease of communication with the company and if found acceptable, proceed with purchase of the Mercer policy.

Cdr Adames announced the October speaker as Cindy Stonebreaker. No speaker is lined up for the November (business) meeting. The Montgomery County Library is being sought for the December meeting with the Realtors building as backup location.

Monroe Gildersleeve reported he had purged the membership roster and now 225 names were on it. He will contact members not on the roster and expects 250 to be the final count. Tom Borlund questioned how members are dropped and commented that some members may not be aware of the need to pay national dues.

Gildersleeve reported on the Sidney Brown issue that the house bill renaming the facility was approved and rep. Pitt and Green will be present at the Veterans Service Office on Sept 26 (tentative) for the announcement.

Gildersleeve commented on the veteran's home and reported that now spouses and Gold Star parents are eligible for the home. Acceptance procedures were summarized. He also reported skilled nursing care is now available at the home and the time frame was discussed.

CDR Adames mentioned Retiree Appreciation Day is Sept 30 and MOAA will have a table at the event. Marsha Blackburn will be guest speaker. No food is available at the event. Opening ceremony is 0900.

J.T. Smith commented that he needs names of new members for the newsletter. He has requests to add links to other organizations to the website and expressed concern that this could get out of hand. After discussion he said he would add the links requested now and monitor the situation.

Smith reported that information on the September meeting is on the website. Extra tickets are available on the website. Use the table discount to get the \$20.00 price. Tickets may be available at the door for \$22.00. Adames reported that Nancy Mullen has a luncheon ticket to give away.

Howard French requested the committee members listed on the web site be checked and updated as necessary.

Ann Clarke reported on the health of Polly Nagy. The next ladies luncheon is Sept 14 at Harbor Café. Erika Mitchell passed away last month. The recent 5 and 4 star chapter awards will be added to the history.

Adames requested from Gildersleeve the awards streamer from the MOAA flag. The streamer is needed for the Regional MOAA meeting in Memphis next month.

Tom Borlund reported on the officer nominations progress. They are still seeking a treasurer. He discussed the situation with John Shuler and Monroe Gildersleeve. Both of them being very busy with other organizations, school and local government obligations. He reviewed John Schuler's decision to opt out of consideration for Chapter President. He reported discussions with Bryan Lynch as a potential candidate and noted the Lynch is also very busy and travels frequently. He noted that while an officer being absent is a problem, the officer's quality and attitude are more important. Smith asked if Steve Singleton could move up to 2nd vice and Lynch be Secretary. Borlund stated that Singleton has expressed that he is happy where he is now. Dewey Browder may be asked if he is interested. Bill Summers stated that he would probably run for political office next year which could be controversial.

Adames reported Joe Shakeenab will be recognized as the APSU outstanding alumni at the Oct 21 luncheon at Morgan Center. Dave Loos will also be recognized then. APSU military Alumni Chapter dinner will be on Oct 20 at 6 pm. MOAA will get a table.

Veterans Day parade on Nov 11, Ivan will get entry form from the VSO.

Bill Summers reported he will be the speaker at Lincoln Memorial University on Nov. 11.

Adames reported that the Chapter average age is 62 and most chapters average over 70 years.

MOAA recruiting video will be shown in November.

Welcome Home Vets: events schedule passed out to committee. 25 tentative tickets sold/reserved for luncheon. Events on handout were discussed and needs for volunteers noted. The Welcome Home committee meets on Sept 6 and more guidance may be forthcoming.

Sherry P. updated health condition of Bill Gray.

Smith noted the need for tickets for many of the welcome home events. All but luncheon are free. Bob Hope tribute tickets are either \$39 or \$46. May involve AARP discount. Order form available on MOAA-FTC chapter website. Need for tickets will be on website and in newsletter.

Sherry P reported that press releases start tomorrow and may clear up tickets issue.

Bill Summers asked if MOAA was committed to supply volunteers for Welcome Home. Adames answered no, but many will be needed for the Wall. Sherry P. stated that a list of volunteer needs by number is coming.

Sherry P. discussed how the Wall event will work. And look. Adames commented that several volunteers will be needed for the Wall. Adames requested members email him if willing to volunteer. Sherry P. will send volunteer needs list to Adames as soon as known. The list will be total volunteers by event, not just from MOAA.

Chaplain Sumbler conducted the closing prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 13:47