

MOAA Executive Committee Meeting Notes.

Date: Feb 21, 2019

Location: Cole Park Commons, Ft Campbell, KY

Attendees:

Monroe Gildersleeve

Howard French

Ivan Adames

Dick Noggle

Bill Summers

Jeff Yaeger

Thomas Ross

JT Smith

Chuck Webster

Tom Borlund

Tim Powers

President Monroe Gildersleeve called the meeting to order at 1212 pm.

President Gildersleeve called the roll of chapter officers and declared a quorum present.

President Gildersleeve asked if the committee had read the minutes of the previous meeting and if there were any corrections. Hearing no objection, Tim Powers moved that the minutes be approved; Jeff Yeager seconded. Motion approved.

Sick and Distressed: President Gildersleeve under sick and distressed announced Dave Marr in the VA home, first floor room 211; Gary Ezell is also in Vets Home for rehab and appreciates visitors.

Scholarships: Jeff Yaeger discussed scholarships. Application information is out and response is good. Four applications have been received. Cutoff is March 1. Jeff Yaeger stated he understood he could award up to \$8,600 this year. Dick Noggle stated that only \$4,000 was allocated and approved this year. President Gildersleeve confirmed the 4,000 figure.

Jeff Yaeger discussed the upcoming Turkey Hunt. Date is 5-6 April. Dinner is on 5th and Hunt, lunch and awards on 6th at Wohali pavilion. Invitations ready and go out March 8. Operations order is out to military units. Jeff Yaeger's goal is soldiers pay nothing for the event; sponsors pick up cost. MOAA members must let Dick Noggle know if attending the dinner and/or the lunch. Cost is \$15.00 for each event. Donations welcome. Jeff Yaeger will need head count for caterer. MOAA members can hunt if invited— must let Jeff Yeager know. This a closed hunt by invitation only. RSVP for the hunt will go to MOAA PO box, then Dick Noggle then Jeff Yaeger. Jeff Yaeger stated plans are to invite some younger civilians such as grandsons of Jack Turner to expose the hunt to that generation and establish continuity. Hunt produced \$450 profit last year. Some of that will be used for coffee and donuts. President Gildersleeve stated Jack Turner will be invited to Golf Tournament.

Jeff Yaeger stated 70 to 80 hunters and guides will be in the field. Last year, due to snow and weather only one turkey was taken. Two years ago, 18 birds were harvested. Allocation is for 45 soldiers and other hunters. Some will require guides. Liability insurance was discussed. Dick Noggle and Tim Powers stated that Mercer would cover the Chapter for this event. No Certificate is required for the MWR office.

Treasurer's Report: Dick Noggle distributed the treasurers report and financial statement. The directory printing bill is paid. Some advertising fees are still being collected.

Dick Noggle agreed to make a new financial statement line item to segregate the expected Community Outreach Grant to be passed to the Veterans Treatment Court.

A discussion was held by various members on the potential for placing the \$4500 scholarship funds in an interest paying 12 month CD. Dick Noggle will investigate and report.

Bill Summers inquired if the scholarship grantee paid interest on the scholarship funds. Dick Noggle clarified that the Chapter scholarship were a pure grant and no repayment was required as opposed to the National MOAA scholarship which are loans.

JT Smith inquired the status of the \$250 club and where the money goes. Jeff Yaeger stated that he donated to the club each year. Dick N. stated that 4 persons have done so this year. These funds will be identified to go to the MOAA national scholarship program.

H. French asked for a contact for the Welcome Home event. President Gildersleeve said to contact Phil Harpel at the Clarksville Chamber office.

Reports:

First VP: Tim Powers ran down the status of the venues and speakers arranged for the remainder of the year. I Adames suggested we consider Knockum Hill BBQ for the May meeting. They have nice pavilion we can use.

Second VP: Absent. M Gildersleeve stated we are in good shape on membership. One new members so far this year.

Legislative: Bill Summers reported Vets Day on Hill went off with no hitch. Had good turnout. MOAA insurance coverage was big help. Saved \$200 for the TVETS. Now planning for next year. Mission BBQ appreciated. Rep. Jason Hodges paid for school bus himself. TVET will visit Veterans Legislative Caucus in March. MOAA remains the linchpin of the Vets Day on the Hill event.

ROTC:

Van Chase absent. M. Gildersleeve reported a list is posted online of the representatives and the schools they will go to.

Special Programs:

Golf: T. Ross is soliciting donations now. Has two business now and will contact more this summer. She is also arranging prizes now and will report to President Gildersleeve monthly. M Gildersleeve stated that Bloodworth may chair the golf event. M Gildersleeve has visited the local car dealers and will do so again. He stated his hopes that sponsors will pay entry fees for soldiers and thus they can participate at no cost. He also needs volunteers and a vice chair for the event.

Announcements:

Ivan A. Tennessee National Guard convention at Embassy Suites in Murfreesboro on Mar 29-30. Need volunteers to assist Tn Council of Chapters with recruiting. Need to let Doug Minton know by March 4. Volunteers are needed 1 to 5 pm on Friday and 6 to 10 on Saturday. Volunteers will help with filling out membership applications.

Ivan A. New Montgomery County VSO is Andrew Kester.

Ivan A. Reception for new 101st and Ft. Campbell CG is March 5. RSVP required.

President Gildersleeve: Chamber Business After Hours tonight.

Ivan A. Memorial and Gratitude project is 11-15 March

Dick N. suggested email be sent to attendees for Mont. Co. Vets Coalition dinner. Tim Powers will do.

Tim Powers announced a name tag order is being prepared.

Tom Borlund spoke about his role in making black history presentation each February at the Chapter luncheon. He received compliments and accolades from the committee for his performance last Saturday. He announced that Joe Britton will be making this presentation in future years, but he (Tom) will be available if needed.

Thomasa Ross is working a grant from USAA for \$300.

I. Adames The Montgomery County Veterans Coalition gave training this week on the use and application of NARCAM for drug overdoses. He showed a NARCAM kit he received at the training.

Tom Borlund stated he is avoiding too many commitments, but suggested the Chapter might seek the MOAA Chapter of the Year award. The exact selection process is unclear to him, but with the status, strength and activities of our chapter, we should be competitive.

I. Adames: Tennessee Council of Chapter meets April 17. MOAA national president will be there.

I. Adames: Ft Campbell Retirees Appreciation Day is 18 May.

President Gildersleeve gave the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 1320