

MOAA
Coronado Chapter
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes of 19 April 2017



CALL TO ORDER: Pres Covalucci called the meeting to order at 1200 hours at the Landmark Cafe. Dep Dir Devine led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chap Day gave the invocation.

Members Present

President: Bob Covalucci
Second Vice-President: Tom Hessler
Secretary: Joe Puett
Treasurer Bob Abney
Director: Gene Fenstermacher - Legislation
Dep Dir Earl Devine - Cmty Liaison
Dep Dir: Duane Brofer–Database Mngr
Director: Terrie Gent – Personal Affairs
Chaplain: Tom Day
Director: Norm Patten – Publicity
Dep Dir: Tom Fail - Historian
Director: John Black - Scholarships
Director: George Kirmse -- Membership
Director: Joe Britton - JROTC
Dep Dir: Paul Puttkammer-Publications
Director: Jan Cole – Surviving Spouses

Members Absent

Dep Dir: Vacant Webmaster
Director: Harry Bowen – Transition/ESGR

Others attending:
None.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Bob A./ John B. made the motion to approve the agenda, the motion passed.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Tom D./John B. moved that the minutes of Mar 2017 be approved. The motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Pres Covalucci

- The President was looking for volunteers for 2 award presentations 10 May BLOC [Chap Tom Day volunteered], and 12 May WOC [Chap Day also volunteered]. Allen Rossow will cover the 26 Apr CCC ceremony.
- The Luke AFB Chapter expended over \$24K in Scholarships to 16 Students.
- The President thanked Jan C. for the great program she put together last month in awarding Surviving Spouses pins.

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer B. Abney reported:

- The Treasurer reported that the Total Unencumbered Net Worth of the Chapter was \$47,011.37.
- We are little behind from where we were last year in scholarship donations, although the fund still has approximately \$28K with \$11K due to be paid out this upcoming year.
- The Treasurer’s Report is attached to the minutes.
- George K. / Gene F. moved that the Treasurer’s report be accepted, subject to audit; the motion passed.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Secretary J. Puett reported:

- No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: Pres Covalucci.

- From last Board Meeting, Norm Patten presented his ideas for “Adopt a Street” and “Adopt a Bike Walk” as MOAA promotional initiatives, for consideration by the Board. Norm met with the commission that handles sponsorship of multi-use paths; the path that is most visible is the one on the north side of Charleston Road near Cochise College and the High School. The Chapter would need to clean it once a quarter. After 6 months we’d get a recognition ceremony; our obligation is for 2 year

period. Discussion of the issue was positive. Norm P. / Terrie G. motioned that we undertake this effort. Motion passed. Norm will start the adoption process [Norm completed the adoption process and the “Adopt a Site Agreement” is attached to the minutes].

NEW BUSINESS: Pres Covalucci.

- The President led a discussion of Weinstein Award Sponsorship. There was plenty of discussion concerning both the Pro’s and Con’s of MOAA sponsoring the award. Pro’s included the excellent association we have with the key activities on Ft Huachuca and the continuation of that association (particularly with the MI Center of Excellence). The Con’s include that this is an award to a single MI officer (not necessarily from Ft Huachuca) and also only Army specific and MI specific. Bob C. / Tom H. moved that we go back to Ted Martens and suggest that this is more appropriately handled by the MI Corp Association; the motion passed [the President responded to Ted Martins declining MOAA Chapter participation].
- Tom H. led a discussion of the Memorial Day Ceremony. Eight organizations have already committed to being involved in the ceremony; Tom is looking for about 8 more. Additionally, Tom is looking for a Flag Bearer; Pres Covalucci volunteered. Rehearsal is at 1800 on the Thursday before Memorial Day.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS: Pres Covalucci

PAST PRES: T. Hessler reported:

- Programs
 - Apr: Scholarships. 69 members are planned to be in attendance at the dinner.
 - May: State Sen Gail Griffin
 - Sep: Congresswoman Martha McSally
 - Oct: Charles Hancock SW Association of Buffalo Soldiers (SWABS)
 - Nov: Open (as a backup we may some short programs penciled in: Sherriff Assist team and AZ Hall of Fame and Joint Service Club of Sierra Vista).
 - Dec: Chorus.

2ND VP: T. Hessler reported:

- No report.

SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON: Dir J. Cole reported:

- Jan C. thanked all the club members for their support in recognizing the Surviving Spouses at the last meeting. Jan is looking to leverage that success to keep Surviving Spouses engaged in future Chapter events.

CMTY LIAISON: Dep Dir E. Devine reported the following:

- Earl D. provided numerous announcements related to community events.
- Earl will not be at the next Joint Svc Club Meeting and Southern AZ Vets Cemetery Foundation mtg, Tom H. will fill in for Earl at these events.

DATABASE: Dep Dir D. Brofer provided the following membership status:

CHAPTER MEMBERS AS OF 19 Apr 2017			
REGULAR	SURVIVNG SPOUSES	ASSOCIATE	TOTAL
182	24	9	215*/191

- *24 have not renewed, so official count is 191.
- Duane B. will provide Gene F. and George K. a list of the 24 and these 24 will be dropped from emails.

HELIOGRAM: Deputy Director Puttkammer reported:

- 29 Apr is the deadline for articles for the Heliogram.
- This Heliogram will have bios of the Scholarship winners.

HISTORIAN: T. Fail reported:

- No Report.

JROTC Affairs: Dir J. Britton reported:

- On 13 Apr the MOAA Student of Excellence Medal was presented to the Tombstone JROTC winner.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Dir G. Fenstermacher reported:

- The Strike Everything Bill related to Military Retirement pay exemption has made it through most of the legislature hoops.

MEMBERSHIP: Dir G. Kirmse reported:

- No Report.

PERSONAL AFFAIRS: Dir T. Gent reported:

- No report.

PUBLICITY: Dir N. Patten reported:

- Norm P. asked if we send Heliogram to media outlets (e.g. the Herald). He will look to take advantage of possible addition coverage for the Chapter.

SCHOLARSHIP: Dir J. Black reported:

- Thanks for those who helped in the scholarship selection process.
- The Scholarship Committee met on 24 & 27 Mar to conduct interviews; all 11 students interviewed deserved scholarships and were selected. 8 of the 11 scholarship winners will be at the Dinner tomorrow night.
- The Scholarship Report attached to the Minutes.

AZ TRANSITION LIAISON/ESGR: Dir H. Bowen reported:

- **Jobs:** During this past report period, we were able to identify and post 34 individual and 3 multiple listings (471 positions world-wide) for new job opportunities; (4 within Cochise County and 30 external to Cochise County) down from 42 for the last report period. Harry has submitted an additional 8 Teaching, 6 Medical, 3 Dental, 2 Accounting, and 6 nursing positions within Cochise County to be uploaded by 19th. The Company Multiple listings were from Booze Allen Hamilton – Fort Huachuca, Chenega – worldwide, and Canyon Ranch in Tucson. They listed 471 new positions, worldwide with 9 labor categories, multiple positions at Fort Huachuca, 453 were worldwide to include 19 at Fort Huachuca, and 9 in Tucson. Harry has informed all the chapters that he would just publish the positions, regardless of pedigree, and let the membership decide, instead of me scrubbing for more prestigious positions.
- **Expos/Career Fairs:** During this period, we were able to post 3 new career fairs in Tucson, Phoenix, and Fort Huachuca). Also, in addition, Trace Systems is also hosting a job fair 27 April in Tucson and 28 April at Fort Huachuca which is to be posted on the website.
- **Employer Support to the Guard and Reserves (ESGR):** This was a very light month as Harry was unable to get out and do as much interaction as he normally would does. He should be able to commence working on ESGR initiatives after 19 April. Harry did have the opportunity to work with several providers of veteran services in Tucson at Representative Martha McSally's Workshop who were responsive to additional information about our ESGR Activities in Sierra Vista. He will close this loop later this month.
- **Cochise Serving Veterans (CSV) and the forthcoming Resource Fair:** The Cochise Serving Veterans is off an running toward obtaining their 501C(3) certification. The association continues to search for more volunteer organizations to assist in the planning for and execution of services to needy and homeless veterans. At the Workshop noted above, was

able to identify and obtain two additional providers to come to the Resource Fair in August.
The Vet Center will also support the event and assist the CSV in their pursuit of the 510C(3).

WEBMASTER: Vacant.

- No report.

CHAPLAIN: T. Day reported:

- No Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- None.

NEXT MEETING: 17 May 2017

DEPARTING PRAYER: Chap Day provided the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: Pres Covalucci adjourned the meeting at 1304 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joe Puett, COL (R)
Secretary

Coronado Chapter MOAA
Accounts Status
As of April 19, 2017

Assets

Wells Fargo Savings Account (Scholarships)	\$28,125.92
Wells Fargo Checking Account	\$6,508.20
Wells Fargo Investment Trust	<u>\$23,377.25</u>

Total Assets

\$58,011.37

Liabilities

Scholarships (\$1,000.00 each)	<u>\$11,000.00</u>
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Total Liabilities

\$11,000.00

Total Unencumbered Net Worth

\$47,011.37

Net Worth March, 2017

\$46,776.04

Net Worth April, 2017

\$47,011.37

Annual Increase / Decrease in Net Worth -- 2016 to 2017

\$637.41

Coronado Chapter MOAA
INCOME AND EXPENSES
March 16, 2017 through April 19, 2017

Income

Meal Receipts		\$1,000.00
Scholarship Donations		\$1,228.00
Operations Donations		\$222.00
Dues Collections		\$300.00
Raffle	Proceeds (\$205.00) Split between Ops & Scholarship Funds	Note
Badge Purchases		None
Advertising		<u>None</u>

Total Income

\$2,750.00

Expenses

PDS Country Club		\$1,149.90
Joe Britton -- JROTC Medal Engraving		<u>\$20.57</u>

Total Expenses

\$1,170.47

Net Gain / Loss For the Period

\$1,579.53

City of Sierra Vista Adopt a Site Agreement

Date: 4/19/2017

Name of Participant Group: Coronado Chapter, Military Officers Association of America (MOA)

Name of Contact Person: Norman Patten, Director of Publicity

Mailing Address (city & zip code):

2775 St. Andrews Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

Phone Number(s): 520-249-7843

Emergency Contact: Norman Patten Phone Number: 520-249-7843

Assigned Adoption Area: Giulio Cesare HS Charleston 4650

Terms and Conditions

1. Subject to the City's right to terminate, this agreement shall be in full effect for two years beginning on the date shown above. The City of Sierra Vista reserves the right to terminate this agreement at any time.
2. Participants are required to read, understand, and abide by the attached Safety Guidelines.
3. Participants must abide by all City rules and ordinances.
4. Participants must commit to adopting a site for two years. Following the two years, the participants can either renew for another two-year term, adopt another site, or inform the program coordinator that they no longer wish to continue the program.
5. Participants must clean-up the site at least once per quarter totaling a minimum of 8 hours. Hours are to be reported no later than one week from the completion of the cleanup. The City documents this information, which helps our program in the following ways:
 - A. Accounts for total donated time to the program for annual reports.
 - B. Confirms the growth or decline in participation.
 - C. Helps the City provide participant awards and recognition.
6. Participants shall contain all debris within the City issued garbage bags. Place the bags in piles and locate them in designated areas at the site. Please ensure the bags are not blocking the pathways, sidewalks, or pedestrian walkways, and that the bags do not create a visual obstruction for vehicles.
7. Participants are allowed access to City property, by the City, for the purposes of the program only.
8. The participants shall develop and follow a regular schedule of maintenance for the designated site as agreed up and report ANY AND ALL HAZARDS TO THE COORDINATOR.
9. The contact person will be responsible to report all volunteer hours within 72 hours of work done by logging into the City's website.

Norman B. Patten
Director of Publicity
Coronado Chapter, MOAA
Adopt-A-Site Participant Signature

[Signature] 4/20/17
Program Coordinator

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Military Officers Association of America
Coronado Chapter
Post Office Box 1685
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85636
18 April 2017

SUBJECT: Results of Scholarship Committee Selections for 2017

TO: President and Board Members
Coronado Chapter
Military Officers Association of America

The Scholarship Selection Committee consisting of Ron Pflipsen, Bob Abney, Doris Caldwell and me conducted interviews of all Coronado Chapter scholarship applicants on 24 and 27 March 2017. The Committee found the quality of students to be outstanding. They possessed above average to very high academic standings, were active in a number of school activities, working at various jobs and were outstanding citizens in their communities. There were 11 total applications. One from a Home Schooled student, two from Tombstone High School and eight from Buena High School. All students interviewed by the committee were found worthy of being granted a Coronado Chapter Scholarship. As with previous year's experience, the Selection Committee was impressed by the high quality of all the students who applied for scholarships. The results of the selection process and student summaries are outlined below.

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Jennifer Maxwell: Jennifer will be graduating from Tombstone High School with a significant number of accomplishments. She has consistently maintained high grade point averages of 3.6 at Tombstone High School, a 3.85 in JROTC and a 3.7 at Cochise College. For the past year Jennifer has served as the Cadet Battalion Commander of the Tombstone "Yellowjacket" Battalion. Her tour of duty culminated while serving as the Commander of the JROTC Leadership Challenge Camp held in March on Fort Huachuca. The Camp involved Cadets from six JROTC Programs across the state. The Tombstone JROTC Senior Instructor, Retired Chief Warrant Officer 4 Thomas Gross stated, "Jen impressed the heck out of me...even cadre from

other schools commented on her presence and ability to lead...the best performance by a Battalion Commander at camp in the past six years.” Jennifer also excelled in other leadership situations. She has been a Varsity Cheerleader for four years and the Cheer Captain for three of those years; rebuilding a team that was of the verge of disbanding when she took over. Additionally, she served the last year as the school’s Student Body President. Jennifer was awarded the MOAA Medal last year. She is planning on attending the University of Arizona.

Caitlyn Fuller: Caitlyn is Home Schooled through the A Beka Academy. She will be graduating next month with a 4.07 GPA. She has experience supporting activities such as working for two years at the Fort Huachuca Community Thrift Shop behind the jewelry counter. She accompanies the soloist at the Immanuel Lutheran Church and teaches Elementary Sunday School. In addition to her volunteer work, Caitlyn has worked for the Hope Lutheran Church in Bisbee and the Peace in the Valley Lutheran Church in Benson by playing the piano and organ for Sunday Services, midweek services, holidays, marriages and funerals. In addition, she has worked with the Pastors of both churches to ensure music selections are appropriate for the ability of soloists and choirs. She has also served as the Chair for a worship committee and has chosen proper music for a variety of services. Caitlyn is planning on attending Cochise College earning an Associates Degree in English, followed by a Bachelors Degree in English at the University of Arizona. After earning her degrees, she ultimately plans on working as a copywriter.

Ashley Murdock: Ashley is a dedicated young woman with an impressive resume and rated in the top 15% of her graduating class. She has displayed excellent leadership by serving in numerous responsible positions in the Buena High School Key Club, Reading is Fundamental, Student Council, the National Honor Society, and the Vice President of the Senior Class. Ashley is also a student athlete playing soccer all four years of high school, earning a varsity letter and playing competitive soccer through the Pima County Soccer League. Her jobs have revolved around her athletic ability; starting as a soccer referee and evolving to working as a lifeguard at Barnes Field House on Fort Huachuca. Remaining involved in the community and well rounded throughout high school, Ashley has been active in her church and volunteered for numerous organizations and activities such as the Relay for Life, Reading is Fundamental (RIF) book distributions, blood drives, highway cleanups and children’s holiday parties. Ashley will apply her Coronado Chapter Scholarship in the pursuit of a Nursing degree from the University of Arizona.

Gabrielle Kostur: Gabrielle will be graduating from Buena High School in the top 8 % of her class of 478 seniors and with a 4.04 GPA. She has displayed leadership and organizational abilities by serving as the Student Body Secretary, the Public Relations Officer and President of the Student-to-Student organization and the Secretary of the Girl’s Tennis Team. Additional extra-curricular activities include being active in the Key Club; Reading is Fundamental, the Student Council and the National Honor Society. Gabrielle has been involved in community service locally and at Fort Gordon Georgia. While living in Georgia, she was active in the Family Readiness Group of the 551st Signal Battalion and supported both Art in the Park and Kid’s Day in Augusta. Locally, Gabrielle

supported the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) adoption program for cats and dogs. Her passion is to work in the medical field. To that end, she will be attending the College of Charleston, South Carolina, majoring in Biology, followed by attending the Medical University of South Carolina graduating with a degree in medicine.

Cadet Major Michael McFadden: Michael has served as the Tombstone High School “Yellowjacket” JROTC Battalion Operations and Training Officer S-3 for the past year. He will be graduating with a 3.6 GPA and a 4.0 in JROTC subjects and is in the top 15% of his graduating class. His JROTC Senior Instructor, Retired Chief Warrant Officer-4 Thomas Gross, stated, “I have entrusted him with complete control of the battalion training plan, meaning he is totally responsible for scheduling, planning and resourcing all of the activities for nearly 120 cadets.” In addition to being the Battalion S-3, Michael was on the Raider Team for two years and was the Commander of the Orienteering Team for one year. He was active in and excelled in the Academic Decathlon; a rigorous competitive academic program performed outside the normal classroom environment. His Academic Decathlon Coach, Mrs. Pamela Greene, stated, “Competing in the Academic Decathlon State Tournament at Arizona State University, he was awarded the Best Speech in all divisions in the state. He gave his speech in front of the entire tournament audience consisting of 360 students representing forty Arizona schools.” Michael is planning on attending Northern Arizona University.

Sean “Jake” Freeman: Jake will be graduating from Buena High School with a GPA of 4.0 and is ranked in the top 10% of his class. He has been active in school by playing on the basketball team, volunteering for the American Red Cross and working for the City of Sierra Vista. Jake has been very involved in the school’s TV and Film Productions classes and extracurricular activities. He excelled during the recent Buena Film Festival by winning the best in cinematography and the best pre-production award. Additionally, he won the audience’s choice award and came in first overall in the festival. Jake is planning on attending the University of Arizona to pursue his interest in music and film. After graduation from the university, he is planning on working in the film and entertainment industry.

Cadet Major Matisha Ramsey: Matisha has served for the past year as the Buena High School JROTC Battalion Operations and Training Officer S-3. She has served in several leadership positions: Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant and Platoon Leader. She currently she is the Captain of the Battalion’s Air Rifle Team. The Buena JROTC Senior Instructor, Retired First Sergeant Anthony Teeters, commented on Matisha’s marksmanship ability by stating, “She has displayed the discipline and hard work necessary to become one of the top 3 Junior Air Rifle Shooters in the region and participated in the 2016 National Championships in Anniston, Alabama.” She has been very active in community activities. She served as the President of the Buena Magic Club, volunteered at the Buffalo Coral on Fort Huachuca, participated in highway cleanups and car washes, and worked many hours in support of her church. Matisha in planning on attending the New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) followed by attending the University of Arizona with an ultimate goal of obtaining a Masters Degree in

Biomedical Engineering with a minor in Medical Physics. She plans on working as a Medical Oncologist in the Army and ultimately wants to conduct research in the fight against cancer.

Jennifer Ovalle-Zelaya: Jennifer will be graduating from Buena High School with a 3.75 GPA and is ranked in the top 18% of her class. She served as the President of the Graphic Novelist Association, the Vice President of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), was the JROTC Battalion S-2 last year and was selected for the Arizona Girls State. Jennifer participated in various community volunteer activities such as supporting the American Legion and the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). She has excelled in numerous competitions; winning 10 awards over the past three years in the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Computer Challenge in subjects such as oral presentation, professional interview, extemporaneous speaking and home page design. This year Jennifer won second place in Accounting in the Future Business Leaders of America Region One Conference. Jennifer's true love does not manifest itself in all her awards, achievements and accomplishments. Her love of cooking will be her motivating factor during her future academic career. Jennifer will be pursuing a double degree in Business Administration and Culinary Arts. She will start her journey at Cochise College. Her ultimate goal is to open a bakery featuring desserts from the various parts of the world.

Cadet Major Daniel Cusick: Daniel has excelled in both academic and Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) endeavors while attending Buena High School. He will be graduating with an overall academic GPA of 3.95 and a 4.0 in all JROTC subjects. During his junior and senior years, Daniel participated in the "Running Start Program" maintaining full-time status in Buena High School and Cochise College. Classes are aimed at a curriculum in "Science-Technology-Engineering and Mathematics" (STEM) with the emphasis on engineering. Daniel will graduate next month with 50 college course hours. He has been in the JROTC program four years in high school. He served as a Team Leader, Squad Leader, Battalion Logistics Officer, and Battalion Executive Officer. His Senior Army Instructor, CSM Retired Monty McDaniel stated, "I have taught JROTC for eleven years and have had the opportunity to teach and mentor many great young Americans: Daniel is simply one of the most outstanding young adults with whom I have had the honor to serve." Last year, Daniel was awarded our own Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Medal. In the fall, he will attend the Honors College at Northern Arizona University (NAU) majoring in Psychological Sciences, followed by attending the University of Arizona's College of Medicine to graduate as a Psychiatrist.

Angelica Calanog: Angelica started her high school career by attending Douglas High School, transferring to Buena in the middle of her Sophomore Year. She will be graduating from Buena with a weighted GPA of 4.27 and ranked 21st of 478 students in her class. In addition to her studies in high school, Angelica has been "dual enrolled" at Buena and Cochise College. She expects to complete an Associate of Science Engineering degree from Cochise College

when she graduates next month. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA at Cochise College. Angelica displayed excellent leadership ability by serving as the Secretary of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and the Secretary of the Science Club at Cochise College. She also has supported the community by being active in the Rotary "Rotaract" Community Service Club and the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA). Angelica is also an athlete. She earned a Varsity Letter in Cross-Country and placed first in her age group in numerous 5K, 10K and Half-Marathon races in the area. Her goal is to pursue degrees in both Biomedical Engineering and Cyber Security at the University of Arizona.

Andrea Bracamonte: Andrea has truly experienced a stellar career at Buena High School. She is graduating in the top 1% of her class with a 4.42 GPA in tough classes. She is truly a scholar/athlete. Andrea has been on the Varsity Diving and Swim Team all four years in high school. She has been the Captain of the Team and a State Dive Championship Qualifier for the past three years. Her involvement in school and community has been extensive. Andrea has been involved with the student government all four years; serving on the Student Council and as the Freshman and Junior Class President, Student Body Historian, member and President of Reading is Fundamental, three years as a member of the National Honor Society and a member of Health Occupation Students of America where she competed at the State level in Sports Medicine. In her senior year, Andrea was the Head Student Athletic Trainer treating athlete's injuries and providing first aid and rehabilitation. Throughout high school, she was very active in her church youth group, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, taught dance to younger dancers and played trumpet in the marching band. Andrea is planning on attending Gonzaga University studying Physics and Astronomy. She hopes to study abroad, specifically in Rome and eventually work with astronomers in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

I wish to thank and recognize the Coronado Chapter's Scholarship Committee of Bob Abney, Doris Caldwell and Ron Pflipsen for their dedication and interest in the entire Scholarship process. I also want to thank Ron Pflipsen for his help on the presentation certificates and for serving as our photographer. We recognize and offer special thanks to the Sierra Vista Library staff, specifically Librarian Susan Abend and the Library Manager Emily Scherrer for providing a facility for the committee to conduct interviews and deliberations in a professional environment.

Respectively Submitted,

John H. Black
COL, USA
Retired
Chairman, Scholarship Committee
Coronado Chapter, MOAA