

MOAA
Coronado Chapter
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes of 21 August 2019



CALL TO ORDER: Second VP Hessler called the meeting to order at 1200 hours at the Landmark Cafe. E. Devine led the Pledge of Allegiance. G. Kirmse gave the invocation.

Members Present

President: Tom Day
Treasurer: Bob Abney
Chaplain: George Kirmse
First Vice-President: Fran Kosinski
Second Vice-President: Tom Hessler
Director: Jim Clenney – Personal Affairs
Director: Norm Patten – Public Relations
Director: Harry Bowen – Transition/ESGR
Director: Merle Kilpatrick - Legislation
Dep Dir: Earl Devine - Cmty Liaison
Dep Dir: Duane Brofer–Database Mngr
Dep Dir: Harry Mallory - Publications

Members Absent

Past President: Bob Covalucci
Secretary: Joe Puett
Director: Vacant – Surviving Spouses
Director: Lori Wysong - JROTC
Director: John Black – Scholarships
Director: Dave Dolge – Membership
Dep Dir: Susan Day - Historian
Dep Dir: Kathryn Covalucci- Webmaster

Others attending: None.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Norm P/Harry B. made the motion (and seconded the motion) to approve the agenda with amendment that Old Business should include discussion re: the group that is looking into a new venue for the dinner. The motion passed.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Norm P/Harry B. moved that the minutes of May 2019 be approved. The motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Pres Day

- The discussion regarding our need (or lack thereof) of liability insurance is tabled until Sept.
- We recognize Jim Clenney as the new Membership Chair, replacing Dave Dolge. We also recognize Susan Day as the new Scholarship Chair. She replaces John Black effective immediately.
- The President encourages everyone to help with finding candidates for Surviving Spouse Liaison, Database Manager, and Director of Membership.
- The President wants to inform everyone about the Warrior Healing Center and their listing us as a supporting organization here in Sierra Vista.
- In Lori W.’s absence, the President wants folks to know that we need people to bring donations for the raffle.
- Congratulations to all on the receipt of this year’s LOE award from MOAA.
- Warrior Healing Center has a filing cabinet/desk for our use. They have listed us as available to help veterans.
- MOAA sends the Chapter President a list of new-to-area members on a monthly basis. This information will be distributed to Jim C, Duane B., and others as needed.
- New Membership form (attached) was passed around and discussed; with a request for input from Board Members. This form will be available for officers to enroll for free as a Basic Member and a member of Coronado Chapter for the first year. Tom will carry to Graduation Ceremonies and see if he will be allowed to distribute. This will make it easier to collect member applications.

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer B. Abney reported: (Report attached)

- The Treasurer reported that the Total Unencumbered Net Worth of the Chapter was \$57,367.73.
- Ellen Grombacher Bequest brought the scholarship fund up by \$2000. Bob recommended that two scholarships be named the Ellen Grombacher Scholarship. We should encourage the recipients to send Ellen Grombacher's daughter, Mrs. Betty Shane, a note of Thanks.
- Bob noted that if we are participating in the Veterans Day Parade, we need to find a person to lead the effort.
- To date we have paid out 4 scholarships and expended \$5000.
- Treasurer's report is attached to the minutes.
- Bob Went over the list of members who have not paid dues to date that Board Members had volunteered to call. Calls will continue.
- Harry B./Norm P. 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 Day.

- Fran K. gave a report on the findings of the dinner venue search group. We are paying \$22 at the Country Club (with \$4 for the speakers).
 - Knights of Columbus was immediately noted to be out of our price range.
 - 161 has a wedding hall available. Rent w/ no frills or setup or food is priced at \$31/head. Laurie Flor can provide food for \$15-\$16/head.
 - Huachuca City/Devine Creations charges \$259 for rent of the venue w/setup and tear down and water but no liquor at approximately \$16/head for food and \$8/head for the space.
 - Elks Club is approximately \$4/head with bar and bartender therefore charge would be approximately \$24/head. However, we would have to consider moving the night of the dinner secondary to a conflict with Thursday night bingo.
 - She will investigate the American Legion and VFW halls prior to publication of all options.
- Norm P recommended that Fran put out a survey piece in the October Heliogram/October Dinner that asks membership for opinions about change of location/date/liquor desires. Fran will coordinate.
- Attachment includes above info and menus.

NEW BUSINESS: Pres Day.

- None

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS: Pres Day

PAST PRES: B. Covalucci reported:

- No report

1ST VP: F. Kosinski reported:

- See Old Business above.

2ND VP: T. Hessler reported:

- Programs
 - Our September program will be on Boulder Crest Retreat. He will put an update of Upcoming Programs in the Heliogram.
 - He has received another supply of Outback Dinner Certificates and Symphony Tickets for raffling.
 - He has also received Gift Buckets from the Texas Roadhouse to had to our collection of raffle prices. He requests a certificate of Thanks for Texas Roadhouse.
- AVHOF:
 - AVHOF Class of 2019 contains three from Cochise County, two are Chapter members – Bill Bates and Lue Kuttner. We will now have 27 Chapter members of the AVHOF – 19 living and 8 deceased.

- Installation will again be at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale, but a week earlier (Friday, 18 October). Go to www.azuav.org to register for the Induction Ceremony/Luncheon. Induction reservations are \$55/person until 30 September, then \$65/person until 1630 on 7 October.
- Special Resort room rates are still available for 17, 18, and 19 October at a net of \$109/night. Book as early as possible for the rate. Call 866-877-9897 and use Rate Code Unified Arizona Veterans 18639.
- Tom D. will check to see if Bill or Lue will have space at their tables.

SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON: Vacant reported:

- No Report.

JROTC Affairs: Dir L. Wysong reported:

- No Report.
- Reminder to bring donations for raffle

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Dir M. Kilpatrick reported:

- Took position in May. Some early hiccups with email have been worked out and most are getting to their intended addresses.
- Approximately 870 emails are being sent out. Approximately 190 are currently kicked back as bad addresses. Duane will provide an updated email database to Merle.
- Tom D. will update the Board Member email/contact list and provide to Board.
- Merle K. will contact the Council of Chapters Legislative Liaison to discuss the suggestion that MOAA support inclusion of the Silver Sneaker Program under TriCare for Life.
- J. Clenney will provide M. Kilpatrick with a listing of new Chapter members since 1 April.

MEMBERSHIP: Dir D. Dolge reported:

- No Report.
- Pres Tom D. clarified that we need a replacement for this position and that this position has different responsibilities from the Membership Chair (now Jim C.)

PERSONAL AFFAIRS: Dir J. Clenney reported:

- No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Dir N. Patten reported:

- Thanks to everyone who helped with the road Cleanup this morning. The next cleanup is being scheduled for November.
- N. Patten noted that the article about MOAA Scholarships was published in the paper.

SCHOLARSHIP: Dir J. Black reported:

- S. Day will cover this position.

AZ TRANSITION LIAISON/ESGR: Dir H. Bowen reported for the period 16 May to 20 August 2019:

- **Jobs:** During this report period, we were able to post 98 individual jobs within the State of Arizona, 1 position in California. The jobs within Arizona were posted for Aquila, Bisbee, Chandler, Eloy, Flagstaff, Gila Bend, Gilbert, Glendale, Grand Canyon, Green Valley, Lake Havasu City, Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix, Scottsdale, Tempe, Tucson, Wilcox, and Wilson School District. In addition, there were four announcements for multiple positions totaling more than 30 additional jobs. No jobs were identified for Sierra Vista area.
- **Expos/Career Fairs:** There were two Job Fairs identified during this report period. this period, Maricopa and Phoenix respectively.

- **Links:** There were no new links added to the website during this report period.
- **Employer Support to the Guard and Reserves (ESGR):** This has been a quiet time for the ESGR activities during this report period with only one Bring the Boss event in Tucson.
- **Cochise Serving Veterans (CSV) and the Resource Fair:** The Resource Fair was held on 16 August at the Rothery Education Center. 84 veterans responded and attended. Of these 84, four (4) were self-proclaimed homeless, and one (1) acknowledged that he was being housed thus making him other than homeless. The rest of the data has not yet been compiled so will have to be reported next month.
- **Social Services Support:** The Social Services Support Committee was able to help eight Veterans during this report period. They consisted of placing two veterans in a hotel until housing was available, two were helped with their utility's bills, one with funeral expenses, two with back rent, and one with trash and sewer back due notice. From the petty cash account, we were able to help two with gasoline for their cars and one with an electrical bill. With some of our organizational partners, we were also able to get one veteran family moved from Huachuca City to Sierra Vista, and one cleaned one veteran's yard as he was unable to do so himself.

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

- Earl D. provided numerous community announcements.
- The Cochise Gold Star Family Memorial Dedication Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, October 5th at approximately 1000. There will be multiple dignitaries in attendance including Senator McSally, Woody Williams (last Medal of Honor awardee for WWII). Lee Greenwood has also been invited. For more info go to the website: <http://hwwmohf.org/cochise-city-az.html>

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

CHAPTER MEMBERS AS OF 21 Aug 2019			
REGULAR	SURVIVNG SPOUSES	ASSOCIATE	TOTAL
138	28	2	168

- D. Brofer noted that the two associate members are actively working on obtaining membership.
- He was able to update and correct the database secondary to a MOAA comprehensive list provided by Pres. T. Day.
- He also warned that there are several Life members who are on his database as Chapter members, yet they are dead or moved.
- D. Brofer will send the names in question to J. Clenney, who will check on the accuracy of the list.

HELIOGRAM: Dep Dir H. Mallory reported:

- There will be no Heliogram in August.
- He has created an email address for all Heliogram activity: Editor19MOAA@gmail.com. All submissions should go to this address.
- September input should be submitted no later than the 27th to the above address.
 - Needs input from Pres T. Day re: HoF inductees, M. Kilpatrick re: Legislative Affairs, and J. Clenney re: Personal Affairs.
 - Final draft will be sent to N. Patten, T. Day, and M. Kilpatrick for review. T. Day will get Board input prior to releasing to M. Kilpatrick for publication to approximately 900 members, prospective members, etc. M. Kilpatrick will verify to T. Day that the list includes State and Federal elected officials. T. Day will also provide chapter email addresses for inclusion.

HISTORIAN: Dep Dir Susan Day:

- No report

WEBMASTER: Dep Dir K. Covalucci reported:

- Kudos to Dep Dir K. Covalucci for keeping the website up to date.
- Goals need to be updated prior to the LOE review later this year. T. Day will discuss w/ K. Covalucci.

CHAPLAIN: Chap G. Kirmse reported:

- On October 11, Buena will present the All Star Review (directed by Mitzi)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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NEXT MEETING: 18 Sep 2019

DEPARTING PRAYER: G. Kirmse provided the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: Pres Day adjourned the meeting at 1317 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jim Clenney, LCDR, MSC, USN (Ret)
For
Joe Puett, COL (R)
Secretary