

Coronado Chapter
Military Officer Association of America (MOAA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes of 20 May 2020



CALL TO ORDER: President Tom Day called the meeting to order at 1200 hours at the Landmark Café and via teleconference. Pres Tom led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chap G. Kirmse gave the invocation.

Members Present (T = present via Telephone)

Members Absent

President: Tom Day Past President: Bob Covalucci (T) First Vice-President: Jim Clenney Second Vice-President: Tom Hessler (T) Treasurer: Samantha Carlson (T) Secretary: Joe Puett Director: Lori Wysong - JROTC (T) Director: Merle Kilpatrick - Legislation Director: Jennifer Venola – Surviving Spouses Director: Susan Atchison-Day – Scholarships (T) Dep Dir: Samantha Carlson–Cmte Admin (T) Dep Dir: Susan Atchison-Day – Historian (T) Dep Dir: Harry Mallory – Publications Chaplain: George Kirmse (T)

Director: Tamara Oster – Personal Affairs Director: Vacant – Membership Dep Dir: Kathryn Covalucci- Webmaster Director: Norm Patten – Public Relations Director: Harry Bowen – Transition/ESGR Dep Dir: Earl Devine - Cmty Liaison

Others attending: None

AGENDA APPROVAL: Harry M./Samantha C. made the motion (and seconded the motion) to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Prior to the meeting via email, Tom H./Norm P. moved that the minutes of April 2020 be approved. The motion passed via email vote.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Pres Tom Day

- The President summarized key notes from the AZCoC meeting. A summary of his briefing is attached to the minutes.
- We did not receive our Community Grant this year, so there is no need to pay for the MOAA insurance. Only about half of the grant submissions received a grant this year (and those that were funded seemed to be the 501c(3) organizations).

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer S. Carlson reported:

- Treasurer Samantha provided a copy of the month’s financial report; she reported that the Total Unencumbered Net Worth of the Chapter was \$60,223.56.
- Treasurer’s report is attached to the minutes.
- Joe P./George K. 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 Tom Day.

- 1st VP Jim Clenney updated the group on efforts related to hosting a membership drive reception event at Applebee’s in September. See 1st VP Jim’s report (attached for further details). Applebee’s won’t be ready to provide prices until about June. Jim is also considering Pizzeria Mimosa. Jim will reach out to the Board in June for additional guidance once he has prices from the two possible venues. Jim C./Merle K. made a motion to use the USAA \$300 potential MOAA mini-grant in September (if this is allowable), the motion passed. Jim C. will confirm if this expense is allowable by USAA.

NEW BUSINESS: Pres Tom Day.

- Pres Tom discussed the status of the next Dinner meeting to decide if one will be held in June (with a focus on Scholarship winters). 2nd VP Tom provided the following quote from PDS: “Due to the current/continuing restrictions ref Buffets/Meetings, we cannot promise a date for your next gathering. We will keep you informed if anything changes.” After discussion, it was decided that we will NOT have a dinner meeting until September.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS: Pres Tom Day

PAST PRES: B. Covalucci reported:

- Bob is not available for the 10 June MICCC graduation and the 11 June MIBOLC graduation. Jim C. will cover those graduations; Joe P. will prepare the plaques.

1ST VP: J. Clenney reported:

- See the attached 1st VP Report.

2ND VP: T. Hessler reported:

- Programs
 - 17 Sep: Dr. Linda Denno (Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army (CASA)).
 - 15 Oct: Sheriff Mark Dannels (Cochise County).
 - 19 Nov: Kelly Wilde (Arizona’s “Be Connected” program).
 - 17 Dec: S.V. Community Chorus [tentative].

SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON: Dir Jennifer Venola reported:

- No Report.

JROTC Affairs: Dir L. Wysong reported:

- No Report.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Dir M. Kilpatrick reported:

- Merle K. stated that because of the Coronavirus, if you reach out to our Legislators, you’ll probably only get a voice recording and spotty/no call-backs. These condition make it unlikely that there will be a MOAA “Storming of the Hill” this year.

MEMBERSHIP: Vacant, but Jim C. reported:

- See 1st VP report (attached).

PERSONAL AFFAIRS: Dir T. Oster reported:

- No Report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Dir N. Patten reported:

- No Report.
- President stated that Trash pickup will be in Aug (on 19 Aug).

SCHOLARSHIP: Dir S. Atchison-Day reported:

- Certificates for each Scholar were prepared and all but one were delivered in-person to students at their homes on May 19, 2020. The remaining certificate will be mailed to Amelia Hickey in Phoenix, where she will be living until the end of the COVID-19 issue.
- Two weeks ago, Susan A-D gave a press release with named photo files for each student to Norm P., who has been awaiting our decision regarding a June meeting before taking them to the newspaper. He will now be able to follow through.
- Three changes Susan A-D plans to make for next year based on this-years’ experience are:
 1. She will actively encourage counselors/schools to encourage male scholars to apply.
 2. She will contact each of the smaller schools to determine what has been getting in the way of their qualified students from applying and to help them overcome these obstacles.
 3. She will make two additions to the application form:

- a. Birthday - this is required by some of the colleges.
- b. Name of High School to front page.

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

- **Transition Liaison:** The Council of Chapters approved Harry B.'s proposed changes to the MOAATOPS.AZ WEBSITE. His son-in-law and Harry will now start to implement these changes as noted below:
 - Suspend Job Announcements and Job Fairs – link to National
 - Recommended Additions:
 - All employment and job fair information will be via a link to the National “Brazen” virtual link.
 - They will add a link to provide pertinent information resulting from membership of the Transition and Networking Webinars to a new link on the MOAATOPSAZ.ORG exclusive of career information.
 - Local information will be handled as is currently being provided

To clarify what will happen is they will send out an email, as is currently being performed, of any additions or information being uploaded to the member chapters. All of these emails will be sent to the Chapter and Council leadership and all TOPS Chapter Directors. In turn, they can share, as they see germane, to their members.
- **Links:** No new links were added during this report period as the site is now under construction.
- **Employer Support to the Guard and Reserves (ESGR):** Harry B. was able to provide one “Patriotic Employer” Award during this report period via UPS. The lock down of activities external to the homes for ESGR remains in effect. Consequently, activities like SOS and Award Ceremonies remain on hold.
- **Cochise Serving Veterans (CSV):**
 - Cochise Serving Veterans continues planning for the Resource Fair; however, the venue is in jeopardy. If the Location Coordinator cannot get resolution with the Rothery Education Center, the Fair will have to be suspended, postponed, or rescheduled.
 - The S3 Committee assisted three Veterans in need during this report period. One assist was to aid in paying a back-car payment so that the veteran can use the car to find employment. Another was food related and the third consisted of orchestrating aiding a veteran to find the services he needed within the health community. The S3 is currently starting efforts on two other Veteran problems. These referral requests precipitated changing the financial constraints to a number 4 times the current ceiling to accommodate the increased costs associated with veterans being unemployed because of the corona virus.
 - All meetings are now being performed via Video teleconferencing and this appears to be working surprisingly well.
- **Grants:** we received a surprise award of a grant for \$5,000 from Legacy Foundation so the loss of the MOAA grant did not hurt us as bad as it might have. Thanks to all for your help and support.

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

- No report.
- There will be virtual Memorial Day service Pres Tom will provide information to the members.

COMMITTEE MODULE ADMINISTRATOR: Dep Dir S. Carlson provided the following membership status:

- No Report.
- Jim will provide new member emails to Merle so that they will receive the Heliogram.

HELIOGRAM: Dep Dir H. Mallory reported:

- Input for the Heliogram is due 25 May '20 sent to editor19MOAA@gmail.com .

HISTORIAN: Dep Dir Susan Atchison-Day:

- Susan A-D provided a “thank you” to Merle, Samantha and George who all forwarded their bibliographical raw goods to her for our featured biographies in the Heliogram. Merle's bio will appear in the June Heliogram, Samantha will be in our September issue, and George will be included in the October Heliogram.
- Hopefully, seeing how nicely these are received, the rest of the Board Members will be motivated to submit thier autobiographical material, too. Below are the questions they might cover – Susan A-D will then take thier information and blend it into an article:
- All Susan A-D needs from each of submitters are the answers to a few easy questions that she can blend together for the article, and one of the submitter’s favorite photos together for the Heliogram. Here are the questions:
 1. Could you briefly summarize your work histories? (Couple of sentences)
 2. Could you share your hometowns and something about the families in which you were raised? And something about you children.
 3. What are a couple of interesting things about you and your history that we probably do not know? (Activities, accomplishments)
 4. What is something you wish you had known many years ago?
 5. Do you have a philosophy or motto that you live your lives by?
 6. Anything else you would like to add?
- The history section of the Heliogram is about 300 words, so the answers to these questions should provide plenty of material for Susan A-D to work with. Susan A-D thanked the members in advance for helping. The first volunteers are the hardest to find.

WEBMASTER: Dep Dir K. Covalucci reported:

- No report.

CHAPLAIN: Chap G. Kirmse reported:

- No Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The President received the new streamer.

NEXT MEETING: 19 Aug 2020

DEPARTING PRAYER: Chap George K. provided the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: Pres Tom Day adjourned the meeting at 1249 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joe Puett, COL (R)
Secretary

Take Aways from 1 May AZCOC Meeting

- **Recruiting Incentives – We received \$595 for recruiting 44 members**
 - Incentive Qualified: Basic, Premium, Life, and Not member in past 3 years
 - \$10 Basic, \$15 Premium, \$30 Life
 - \$50 if 100% MOAA eligible are national MOAA members as of 1 June
- Only 9 of our Officers are **Opted in at National to receive emails** (They particularly track the Pres, Vice Pres, and Legislative Chair and we are opted in)
- **MOAA Foundation - Community Outreach Grants**
 - 49 Applications submitted in 2020
 - 23 Community Outreach Grants Approved
 - Notification underway
 - \$84,800 total
 - Scoring Emphasis
 - What is the community impact?
 - How involved is the council/chapter in the project?
 - What is the MOAA brand potential?
 - In progress: COVID-19 Relief Fund Grants
- **MOAA Vacations – We will receive funds as result of some of our members participation**
- **Arizona MOAA Communications Award**
 - 4 Websites = all 5-Star: Arizona, Coronado, Luke and Superstition Mountain
 - 6 Print Newsletters = all 5-Star: Arizona, Coronado, Grand Canyon, Luke, Northern Arizona, and Superstition Mountain
- **Federal Legislation Goal this year**
 - FY 2021 NDAA – DoD Funding request – \$740B
 - President’s Budget includes 3% pay raise for troops. Keeps pace with ECI.
 - Top goal is to preserve 18K DoD medical billets and 48 MTF’s
- **2020 State Legislative Session - Session kick-off January 13**
 - UAV Top 2 Goals
 - Increase Veteran’s Benefits Counselors (VBC’s) by asking for 6
 - Full state tax exemption of military retired pay. Pushed by Gov Ducey in state of the state
 - In March, Legislature focus shifts to countering coronavirus; No significant veteran issues
- **Voted to have centralized AZCOC Meetings in Phoenix**
- **Recommended all chapters become “partners” with “Be Connected” to help maximize utilization of our chapter’s programs and services**
- **MOAA Magazine (Oct) Chapter input:** Submit stories, Photos or Newsletters
- **AZCOC voted to add Space Command in their by-laws as organization whose members can join**
- **Also discussed “hints” for Committee Module, AZCOC webpage, azcouncilofchapters.org.**

**Coronado Chapter MOAA
Accounts Status
As of May 19, 2020**

Assets		
	Wells Fargo Savings Account (Scholarships)	\$21,776.69
	Wells Fargo Checking Account	\$ 16,901.07
	Wells Fargo Investment Trust	<u>\$33,545.80</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$72,223.56</u>
Liabilities		
	Twelve Scholarships (\$1,000.00 each)	<u>\$12,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>\$12,000.00</u>
Total Unencumbered Net Worth		<u>\$60,223.56</u>
	Net Worth April, 2020	\$58,942.04
	Net Worth May, 2020	\$60,133.56
Annual Increase / Decrease in Net Worth -- 2019 to 2020		\$1,191.52

**Coronado Chapter MOAA
INCOME AND EXPENSES
April 16, 2020 through May 19, 2020**

Income		
	Meal Receipts	None
	Scholarship Donations	\$435.00
	Operations Donations	\$125.00
	Dues Collections	\$200.00
	Raffle	None
	Proceeds (\$0.00) Split between Ops & Scholarship Funds	None
	Badge Purchases	None
	Advertising	None
Total Income		<u>\$760.00</u>
Expenses		
	PDS Country Club - March Dinner	None
Total Expenses		<u>None</u>
Net Gain / Loss For the Period		\$760.00

Note:

15-May-20 Scholarship for Olivia Bertuca to UA (#1172) \$1,000
 18-May-20 Xfer from Scholarship to Checking \$10,000.00 (prep for Scholarship Payments)

1st VP Report 20 May 2020:

1. Council of Chapters Takeaways:
 - a. Sales Training including an “Elevator Pitch” video is available for Members to assist in putting “Why Join MOAA” into words when recruiting members. This video will be made available in a future publication.
 - b. We can tap into the ability to send out National MOAA email blasts. This will be useful in announcing future events (e.g., the September gathering)
 - c. Surviving Spouse Liaison Award consideration.

2. Social event
 - a. 1500-1700 (or 1800)
 - b. Applebees:
 - Happy Hour Menus being reworked/published in June/July.
 - Sectioned off area
 - Buffet provided by Coronado and/or Table Service
 - Cost result from Appetizer choice.
 - Will initiate emailings and requests for \$\$ (if needed) when menus are published
 - c. Mimosas also being considered:
 - In main dining area or party room
 - Costs being discussed now. If comparable to Applebees, will inform BOD via message.

3. Renewal Contact Listing:
 - a. Original Listing had **33** Names.
 - b. **14** Have Renewed
 - c. **10** Have been removed from Rosters due to Moved or are Deceased.
 - d. **9** Responses are below in various levels.
 - e. As of today, Below will be given one last effort prior to expiration of membership.

Ballenger, Kenneth	Jim spoke with Ken. Will send renewal	Chap MBR SINCE 2001!
Burton, William	Tom No response to two messages.	Chap MBR since 2014!
Coe, June	Jennifer.	Chap MBR since 2004!
Kirk, Timothy	Tom Contacted. Will send renewal.	Chap Mbr since October 2019.
Manning, Laurel	Earl.	Chap Mbr since 2004!
Miller, Nemiah	Tom Contacted. Will send renewal.	Chap Mbr since October 2019.
Stalman, Bernard	Jim. Sent email and called. Left message w/ wife.	Chap Mbr since 2006!
CULP, Robert	Jim. No response to email BAD PHONE NBR.	Chap MBR SINCE 2015!
HOISTION, Angela	Jim sent email. Called VOICEMAIL. BOX FULL.	Chap MBR SINCE 2016!

4. National Committee Module Membership Status is **182** Members as of 19 April 2020 :
 - a. Added Five new Members to Chapter in April.
 - b. No Recruiting Prospects received from MOAA National (new to area)
 - c. **94** Regular Life Members;
46 Regular Annual Members;
13 Regular Basic Members;
29 Surviving Spouses (including Surviving Spouse Annual Members; Surviving Spouse Basic Members; Surviving Spouse Deceased Life Members; Surviving Spouse Deceased Membership; Surviving Spouse Life Members).
 - d. Comparison and adjustment of Coronado Chapter database is ongoing.