

Coronado Chapter
Military Officer Association of America (MOAA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes of 16 December 2020



CALL TO ORDER: Pres Tom Day called the meeting to order at 1202 hours at the Landmark Café and via teleconference. Merle Kilpatrick led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chap George 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
Treasurer: Bob Kellock (T)
Secretary: Joe Puett (T)
Director: Harry Bowen – Transition/ESGR
Director: Merle Kilpatrick – Legislation
Director: Lori Wysong – JROTC
Director: Susan Atchison-Day – Scholarships
Dep Dir: Susan Atchison-Day – Historian
Chaplain: George Kirmse (T)
Accountant: Samantha Carlson (T)

Director: Jennifer Venola – Surviving Spouses
Director: Vacant – Membership
Director: Norm Patten – Public Relations
Director: Tamara Oster – Personal Affairs
Dep Dir: Kathryn Covalucci – Webmaster
Dep Dir: Earl Devine – Cmty Liaison
Dep Dir: Harry Mallory – Publications

Others attending: None

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

MINUTES APPROVAL: Harry B./Lori W. moved that the minutes of November 2020 be approved with correction (Pres Rpt should be “Communications Award” not “LOE), the motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Pres Tom D. covered these items

- Pres Tom highlighted an article in the MOAA Magazine (pages 46-48) where Chaplain Sam Boone was celebrated in the article as a “Change Maker;” Sam was Pres Tom Day’s mentor.
- Pres Tom is working on the Communications Award. He will send out the items that needs to be updated before submission of our Comm’s Award Packet.
- We are now members of the Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce (CoC). Pres Tom will provide username and passwords for the CoC website to appropriate BOD members.
- IVP Jim C. will provide Bob C. updated LOE banners for the Chapter flag.
- Chapter Member Gaille Moore passed away recently (obituary was in the Herald Review).
- Maureen Pryor (Chapter Member) was inducted into the AZ Veteran’s HOF.

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer B. Kellock reported:

- Treasurer Bob K. provided a copy of the month’s financial report; he reported that the Total Unencumbered Net Worth of the Chapter was \$62,608.33.
- Treasurer’s report is attached to the minutes.
- Pres Tom will provide Bob K. the annual Post Office Box invoice so that it can be paid.
- Susan A-D./Jim C. 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 D led this discussion

- Via email between last meeting and this meeting, Pres Tom asked the Board to consider membership levels for Surviving Spouses (similar to those approved at our last Board Meeting for Regular Chapter Members).

Joe P./Tom H. motioned to offer the Surviving Spouses three tiers of membership: 1) one-year membership for \$10; 2) five-year membership for \$40; and 3) Life membership for \$100; the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: Pres Tom D. led the discussion on these items:

- None.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS: Pres Tom D. led discussions:

PAST PRES: B. Covalucci reported:

- Bob C. has received 5 responses for ballots for this year's BOD election; Pres Tom has received 12 ballots (total of 17 responses). Pres Tom will attach blank ballots again to this month's Heliogram for those who have not yet voted.

1ST VP: J. Clenney reported:

- The BOD will undertake its January meeting via Zoom to test out Zoom with the idea that if it works well, we'll do a full Membership meeting in February via Zoom.
- An Audit of our Chapter Treasury records will be done by Wendy Breen in the upcoming months; the date will be selected to correspond to MOAA National audit requirements.
- There is a UPS shipping benefit available to MOAA Life members; Jim C. will put information as to how to take advantage of this program in this month's Heliogram.

2ND VP: T. Hessler reported:

- Programs
 - All programs are in limbo due to corona virus.
 - Pres Tom, and VIP Jim C. are our official representative to the Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce.
 - Our MOAA Chapter has nominated the Tombstone High School JROTC program for the Organization-of-the-Year award, sponsored by the Joint Service Clubs of Greater Sierra Vista. Tom H. will place our vote for them.

SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON: Dir J. Venola reported:

- No Report.

JROTC Affairs: Dir L. Wysong reported:

- No report.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Dir M. Kilpatrick reported:

- No Report.

MEMBERSHIP: Vacant, but Jim C. reported:

- National Committee Module Membership Status is **197** Members as of December 2020:
 - **94** Regular Life Members;
 - **57** Regular Annual Members;
 - **17** Regular Basic Members;
 - **29** Surviving Spouses (including SS Annual; SS Basic; SS Deceased Life; SS Deceased; and SS Life)
 - There are 3 pending additions (recent Honor Grads).
- The "Chapter Membership Tier" initiative is receiving positive responses from our membership.
- So far there have been no requests to delay payment of Dues due to COVID hardships (an initiative approved at the last BOD).
- 1VP Jim C. is working our informational tri-fold brochure.

PERSONAL AFFAIRS: Dir T. Oster reported:

- Pres Tom stated that Tamera O. is moving in January or February.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Dir N. Patten reported:

- Norm P. is working a CSV Grant request again this year.
- Our next Road cleanup will be 20 Jan 2021.
- Norm P. is willing to stay in his position as Public Relations Director until we find a replacement for him.

SCHOLARSHIP: Dir S. Atchison-Day reported:

- Considering the likely ongoing COVID complications in spite of immunizations, changes in thinking seem prudent. Currently, the thinking is that photos of each applicant can be taken when they are interviewed, and releases signed at the same time. Notification of selection can be made by telephone, and certificates either mailed or hand delivered, as circumstances dictate at the time.

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

- **Transition Liaison:** The job links are functional; however, the one still needed to be validated is the one for National. We are still working this issue. Still having issues with the Transition Information Tab. The data can only be displayed in text format and does not allow folders.
- **Employer Support to the Guard and Reserves (ESGR):** The ESGR is now being de-energized. Due to the increased number of COVID 19 cases and deaths, The National Guard has suspended any travel or contact again.
- **Cochise Serving Veterans (CSV):**
 - **CSV:** The elections for the next term were held in November at the Warrior Healing Center. All leadership positions were open for election. Elected were:
 - **CSV:** Chair – Justine Marshall, Vice Chair – Melany Sebastian
 - **S3:** Chair – Carol Welsh, Vice Chair – Trish Thomson
 - **VRF:** Chair – Mary Martinez, Vice Chair – Vicki Briggs
 - The CSV is dark during the month of December, so no additional information is provided.
 - **Veterans Resource Fair (VRF):** No Report.
 - **Social Services Support (S3):** No Report.

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

- No Report.
- Pres Tom related that the Veteran's Administration will notify folks when it is their turn to get COVID Vaccine.

HELIOGRAM: Dep Dir H. Mallory reported:

- Input for the Heliogram is due 19 Dec '20 sent to editor19MOAA@gmail.com .

HISTORIAN: Dep Dir Susan Atchison-Day:

- Susan A-D needs more BOD member bios (see previous minutes for details).
 - January will be Tom Hessler.
 - February will be Susan A-D.
- **Moment in History:** Susan A-D provided an account of the Battle of the Bulge. In late 1944, during the wake of the Allied forces' successful D-Day invasion of Normandy, France, it seemed as if the Second World War was all but over. On Dec. 16, with the onset of winter, the German army launched a counteroffensive that was intended to cut through the Allied forces in a manner that would turn the tide of the war in Hitler's favor. The battle that ensued is known historically as the Battle of the Bulge. The courage and fortitude of the American Soldier was tested against great adversity. Nevertheless, the quality of his response ultimately meant the victory of freedom over tyranny



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Today, we recognize the anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge, one of World War II's most significant conflicts. This victory by the Allies in the Ardennes region of Belgium concluded Nazi Germany's last major offensive strike of the war and foreshadowed Germany's surrender several months later.

The battle claimed the lives of thousands, and many more were injured in the hopes of defeating the Nazi agenda and liberating those that were interned.

We honor the service of all Veterans who served during the Battle of the Bulge.

WEBMASTER: Dep Dir K. Covalucci reported:

- No report.

CHAPLAIN: Chap G. Kirmse reported:

- No Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Our Organization and many others are affiliated with Southern Arizona Veteran Memorial Cemetery; for information, our very own Harry Bowen was selected as the incoming Board President starting in January.
- 1VP Jim C. provided a summary of Paul Puttkammer's Memorial held by Zoom; Pres Tom passed on a word of thanks to all that attended.

NEXT MEETING: 20 Jan 2021 [via Zoom]

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

ADJOURNMENT: Pres Tom D. adjourned the meeting at 1240 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joe Puett, COL (R)
Secretary

**Coronado Chapter MOAA
Accounts Status
As of December 14, 2020**

Assets

Wells Fargo Savings Account (Scholarships)	\$	24,267.04
Wells Fargo Checking Account	\$	5,793.52
Wells Fargo Investment Trust	\$	33,547.77

Total Assets

\$63,608.33

Liabilities

Ten Scholarships (\$1,000.00 each) - Ten Paid to Date	\$0.00
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Total Liabilities

\$0.00

Total Unencumbered Net Worth

\$63,608.33

Net Worth November, 2020

\$62,081.86

Net Worth December, 2020

\$63,608.33

Increase / Decrease in Net Worth -- 2019 to 2020

\$1,526.47

**Coronado Chapter MOAA
INCOME AND EXPENSES
November 18, 2020 through December 14, 2020**

Income

Meal Receipts	\$0.00
Scholarship Donations	\$1,360.00
Operations Donations	\$76.00
Dues Collections	\$275.00
Raffle	\$0.00
Badge Purchases	\$0.00
Advertising	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.47

Total Income **\$1,711.47**

Expenses

PDS Country Club - Dinner	\$0.00
Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce Membership Dues	\$185.00

Total Expenses **\$185.00**

Net Gain / Loss For the Period **\$1,526.47**

Note: