**East -Central Alabama Chapter, MOAA**

**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**April 12, 2021**

The meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference due to the COVID-19 virus and the State of Alabama, Stay-at-Home Order. It was called to order at 1:02 P.M. by Vice-President Jeff Bohler. The following were present:

Jeff Bohler, Charlie Block, Judy Bohler, Mike Golden, & Bill Broome

Not present: Mike Horsefield, Marilyn Horsefield, Cathy Golden

Bill Broome started the meeting with the Pledge.

A quorum was present.

Mike Horsefield arrived at 1:20. Cathy Golden arrived at 1:44.

Announcements: None.

**Old Business:**

 **a.** COVID Status – Jeff Bohler stated that the trends across the state have lowered and are steady. The vaccine is available and the Alabama Department of Public Health has published the priority list. There are new strains appearing that are more contagious.

 **b.** March Zoom Meeting Feedback – Jeff Bohler stated that the meeting went very well. The video was posted to the Chapter’s Face Book page.
**c.** Good Deeds/Charitable donations – We received a donation request from Central High School Navy JROTC. There was some discussion and tabled for May’s meeting.

 **d.** Treasury Audit – Jeff Bohler stated that he, Dick Phelan, and Bob Cochran met by videoconference and reviewed the Treasurer’s books and found everything in order. The final letter will be sent to Mike Golden for inclusion in the next newsletter.

**Reports:**

1. **Vice President Report – Jeff Bohler:**
**a.** Nothing to Report.

2. **Treasurer – Mike Golden:**
**a.** Current account balance is $5771.86.

3. **Secretary – Bill Broome:**
**a.** 79 Members. 63 Regular, 14 Surviving Spouse, & 2 Associate as of March 31, 2021.

 **b.** Motion was made by Bill Broome to accept the March minutes. It was seconded and approved by vote.

4. **Past President – Mike Golden:**

 **a.** Nothing to Report.

5. **Chaplain – Mike Golden:**

 **a.** Nothing to Report.

6. **Director, Chapter Affairs – Marilyn Horsefield**

 **a. Surviving Spouse Liaison:** Nothing to Report.

 **b. TOPS:** Mike Horsefield. Nothing to report.

 **c. Membership:** Judy Bohler. Judy reported that a Life member died at the end of 2020. His spouse is eligible for continued Surviving Spouse membership and she reported it to national. Mike Golden brought up the possibility of a virtual membership for discussion.

 **d. Personal Affairs:** Marilyn Horsefield. Nothing to report.

7. **Director, Communications: Cathy Golden**

 **a. Newsletter:** In progress and will be available soon.

 **b. Webmaster:** Bill Broome. Website up and running, no problems.

 **c. Social Media:** Jeff Bohler. LinkedIn and Facebook are up and growing

 **d. News Releases:** Bill Broome. Nothing to Report.

8. **Director, Program & Banquet: Mike Golden**

 **a. ROTC/JROTC Awards:** Mike Golden. Slow responses so far.

 **b. Monthly Meeting Coordinator:** Mike Golden. Mike stated that he will make an appointment with Moore’s Mill Club for COVID follow up and to see about scheduling some meeting dates, including the 50th Anniversary.

 **c. Guest Speakers:** Jeff Bohler. The April speaker is LTC Rick Diggs, USA (Ret) who will speak on how COVID has affect DOD education. For May, Mr. Stan Blankenship is scheduled to speak on corporate responsibilities.

9. **Director, Legislative Affairs: Charlie Block**

 **a. Bylaws:** Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

 **b. State Council:** Charlie Block. The next meeting will be on April 27 by Zoom videoconference.

 **c. Legislative Updates:** Charlie Block. Future budgets will probably be flat. Discussion on a second location to Arlington National Cemetery is gaining traction.

 **d. Monthly MOAA Update:** Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

10. **New Business:**
**a. Mercer/USAA Monies:** Bill Broome stated that he had applied for the Mercer ad campaign money in January and that a check should have been received. Mike Golden reported that no check had been received. Bill to reach out to Mercer.

 **b. LOE:** Mike Golden and Mike Horsefield agreed to discuss 2020 and make a submission.

 **c. 2021 Recruiting Guide:** This was sent out to the BOD for review. Most changes are at the Membership Chairperson level.

**Round Table Discussion: Mike Horsefield.**

 **a.** The Auburn Student Veteran Association is having their 2021 Golf Tournament Tuesday, April 13th. Mike Golden agreed to attend and take a picture of the tee sign that ECAC sponsored..

Next meeting: Monday, May 3rd at 2 PM by Zoom video conference.

Adjournment: Having nothing further, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 P.M.

Submitted by: Approved by:

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Secretary President

Approved: May 3, 2021