**East -Central Alabama Chapter, MOAA**

**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**December 1, 2020**

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 1:09 P.M. by President Mike Horsefield. The following were present:

Mike Horsefield, Jeff Bohler, Bill Broome, Judy Bohler, Charlie Block, Marilyn Horsefield, Cathy Golden, & Mike Golden.

Not present: Earl Digman

Marilyn Horsefield started the meeting with the Pledge.

A quorum was present.

Announcements: None.

Old Business:

a. COVID Status – Jeff Bohler stated that while we are still under restrictions, the trends are starting to move up in Alabama. He reminded us that we are not out of the woods yet.

b. November Zoom Meeting Feedback – Jeff Bohler stated that while the meeting went well and his follow up with the presenter was positive.

New Business:

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

2. Treasurer – Earl Digman:   
a. Not present.

b. The Account balance is $4,472.36.

c. Mike Horsefield stated that he had 2 names to call about taking over as Treasurer. Mike Golden offered to fill in *temporarily*, if needed.

3. Secretary – Bill Broome:   
a. 81 Members. 66 Regular, 13 Surviving Spouse, & 2 Associate.

c. Motion was made by Bill Broome to accept the November 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 Chair: Judy Bohler. Judy reported she was working on 2 new members. It was noted that long-time former member, Col. Sarkis Kavookjian, USAF (ret) recently passed away.

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

7. Director, Communications: Cathy Golden

a. Newsletter: Cathy Golden stated that the newsletter in progress and that she is waiting on some parts.

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

c. Social Media: Jeff Bohler. LinkedIn and Facebook are up and growing. Jeff has posted the Zoom meeting to the Facebook page.

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

8. Director, Program & Banquet: Mike Golden

a. ROTC/JROTC Awards: Mike Golden. Mike reported that he has started reaching out to the high schools and universities for the J/ROTC awards. Mike further stated that the 40th Anniversary event should wait until we can meet in person. All we in agreement.

b. Monthly Meeting Coordinator: Mike Golden. Nothing to Report. We are still in a holding pattern until things return to normalcy. Mike will maintain contact Moore’s Mill for status updates.

c. Guest Speakers: Jeff Bohler. Jeff has a lead with the new Auburn librarian and will discuss him for January.

9. Director, Legislative Affairs: Charlie Block

a. Bylaws: Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

b. State Council: Charlie Block. The next meeting will be on January 12 by Zoom videoconference. There is a special meeting on December 8th.

c. Legislative Updates: Charlie Block. The hot topics right now are the National Defense Authorization Act and the Continuing Resolution. He is working on information on the state assisted living and nursing homes for distribution.

d. Monthly MOAA Update: Charlie Block. The Arlington National Cemetery comments have closed and with 300K+ members, only a small percentage commented.

10. Round Table Discussion: Mike Horsefield

a. Mike Horsefield discussed the virtual MOAA workshop on Membership.

b. Wreaths Across America: Bill Broome stated that 13 wreaths had been purchased which will return $65 to the chapter. This year’s wreath laying at Fort Mitchell is going to be a closed event.   
c. Discussion was made about the December Zoom meeting and it was decided that it would be at 1 PM. It will include light interactions, games, raffles, and songs.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 5th at 1 PM by Zoom video conference.

Adjournment: Having nothing further, the meeting adjourned at 2:13 P.M.

Submitted by: Approved by:

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Approved: January 5, 2021