**East -Central Alabama Chapter, MOAA**

**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**February 4, 2020**

The meeting was held at the American Red Cross Building Conference Room, 206 26th St., Opelika, AL 36801, and called to order at 1:07 P.M. by President Mike Horsefield. The following were present:

Mike Horsefield, Bill Broome, Judy Bohler & Charlie Block.

Not present: Jeff Bohler, Earl Digman, Mike Golden, Cathy Golden, Judy Bohler, & Marilyn Horsefield.

At 1:18 P.M., Mike Golden arrived and a quorum was present to conduct official business for the meeting.

Announcements:

Mike Horsefield started the meeting with the Pledge and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Vice President Report – Jeff Bohler:
a. Since Jeff was not present, Judy Bohler reported that the financial audit was still in progress.

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

3. Secretary – Bill Broome:
a. 86 Members. 75 Regular, 9 Surviving Spouse, & 2 Associate.

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

4. Past President – Mike Golden:

 a. 50th Anniversary – Mike stated that he had contacted MOAA to get on the General’s schedule and he was waiting to hear back from MOAA with a date.

5. Director, Chapter Affairs – Mike Horsefield for Marilyn Horsefield

 a. Surviving Spouse Liaison: Marilyn Horsefield. Nothing to Report.

 b. TOPS: Mike Horsefield. Nothing to Report.

 c. Membership Chair: Judy Bohler. Dues collection is still in progress with emails going out to some late payers. 3 members have not renewed. Judy reported that she was working on a few potentials. Motion was made by Charlie Block to email the annual directory to the chapter members (USPS to those w/o email) as a cost savings. It was seconded by Mike Golden, voted, and approved.

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

6. Director, Communications: Cathy Golden

 a. Newsletter: Cathy Golden. Mike Golden reported that the February newsletter was in the final editing stages and should be out shortly. He and Cathy had modified the look and content to align with MOAA’s Harris Communication Award criteria.

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

 c. Social Media: Jeff Bohler. Nothing to report.

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

7. Director, Program & Banquet: Mike Golden

 a. ROTC/JROTC Awards: Mike Golden. Mike stated that he was in the process of notifying the J/ROTC units about the medal program and banquet.

 b. Monthly Meeting Coordinator: A discussion was held about the possibility of a specialty night dinner (Italian, German, etc.). Mike Golden will investigate with MMCC.

 c. Guest Speakers: Judy reported for Jeff that the February speaker is confirmed and that Jeff was working on the March speaker.

8. Director, Legislative Affairs: Charlie Block

 a. Bylaws: Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

 b. State Council: Charlie Block. Charlie reported that state legislative information will now be included in the newsletter.

 c. Legislative Updates: Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

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

Old Business:

 a. ALCOC Eubanks Award. Mike Golden to work with Council on award and if we are to present, a program to do so. In progress. Mike will discuss with Dave Jensen, ALCOC President.

 b. The financial audit remains; Jeff Bohler has the lead.

New Business:

 a. Bill Broome stated reported that the final check from Wreaths Across was received and given to Earl Digman at the January meeting.

 b. Bill Broome reported that the annual Council dues was paid.

 c. Bill Broome stated that the website was submitted for the MOAA Harris Communication Award.

 d. Charlie Block made a motion to add Benjamin Russell High School (Navy JROTC) to the chapter MOAA Medal Program. It was seconded by Mike Golden, voted, and approved.

 e. The Mayor’s Memorial Day Breakfast was discussed. Mike Horsefield feels that it should be brought up at the February dinner meeting to gauge interest before committing to any tables.

 f. Bill Broome brought up the ASVA Golf Classic will be on April 14th. He made a motion to sponsor a Golf Tee sign like we did last year. It was seconded by Mike Golden with a not-to-exceed $150 limit, voted, and approved.
g. Bill Broome brought up that we had previously agreed to give speakers a coin and a donation (a wreath) from Wreaths Across America in their name. He is willing to coordinate. Mike Horsefield suggested that we wait until we can discuss with the Treasurer as to how he best feels to handle the transaction.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 3rd at 1 PM at the American Red Cross.

Adjournment: Having nothing further, the meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Submitted by: Approved by:

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Approved: March 4, 2020