**East -Central Alabama Chapter, MOAA**

**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**May 13, 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 1:08 P.M. by President Mike Horsefield. The following were present:

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

Not present: Earl Digman.

Mike Horsefield started the meeting with the Pledge.

Announcements: Mike Horsefield is thinking about and looking for ideas to capitalize on the COVID events and how can we maintain contact with the membership.

1:15 P.M. Earl Digman joined the meeting.

Old Business:

a. 50th Anniversary – Mike Golden stated that with the COVID restrictions we are not sure if or when National MOAA will be visiting. He will call and try to find out more.

b. Mayor’s Memorial Day Breakfast. This has been cancelled. There will be a small ceremony at the park. The breakfast may be done on Veterans Day in November.

c. With the April ROTC Banquet cancelled, Mike Golden has 7 medals and certificates to mail to cadets. This is to be completed by May 22.

d. Levels of Excellence (LOE). Mike Golden submitted the award package to MOAA.

New Business:

1. Vice President Report – Jeff Bohler:   
a. Nothing to Report.  
b. Suggested the possibility of a Board video message that can be sent to the membership.

2. Treasurer – Earl Digman:   
a. The present bank balance is $5,452.29.

3. Secretary – Bill Broome:   
a. 80 Members. 68 Regular, 10 Surviving Spouse, & 2 Associate.

b. We had one loss, the passing of LTC Mike Kosolapoff.

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

4. Past President – Mike Golden:

a. The 2019 Level of Excellence Award package was submitted.

5. Chaplain – Mike Golden:

a. Mike stated that he attended and spoke at the service for LTC Mike Kosolapoff.

6. Director, Chapter Affairs – Marilyn Horsefield

a. Surviving Spouse Liaison: Marilyn Horsefield. No Report.

b. TOPS: Mike Horsefield. No Report.

c. Membership Chair: Judy Bohler. Looking for any new leads.

d. Personal Affairs: Marilyn Horsefield. No Report.

7. Director, Communications: Cathy Golden

a. Newsletter: Cathy Golden. A newsletter will go out mid-month with some information on what the Board is doing and updating members on the status of future meetings.

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

c. Social Media: Jeff Bohler. LinkedIn and Facebook are up and static. If someone has time to spend on these, Jeff is happy to relinquish them.

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

8. Director, Program & Banquet: Mike Golden

a. ROTC/JROTC Awards: Mike Golden. Mike stated that he had 7 certificates and awards ready to mail. He will meet with Mike Horsefield by May 22 to complete what has been submitted so far.

b. Monthly Meeting Coordinator: Nothing to Report. We are basically in a holding pattern until things return to normalcy.

c. Guest Speakers: August-Luau; September-National MOAA?; October-Billy McDonald?; November - Bingo?; December-Christmas Party.

9. Director, Legislative Affairs: Charlie Block

a. Bylaws: Charlie Block. Nothing to Report.

b. State Council: Charlie Block. April Q2 meeting was cancelled. Next meeting is in July.

c. Legislative Updates: Charlie Block. Expect tight budgets with no increase in benefits.

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

10. Round Table Discussion: Mike Horsefield

a. Mike Horsefield is looking at the MOAA scholarship as an incentive to attract new members.

b. Mike Horsefield is looking for ideas about how we can reach out to members to let them know that we are still here and on the job.

c. The prospect of a short video from the BOD, with each member having about 20 seconds with a script, to piece together and send to members.

d. Earl Digman asked that we look around for a new treasurer.

11. Deliverables:

a. Mike Golden: Complete ROTC Awards by May 22nd.

b. All: Newsletter input to Cathy Golden by May 22nd.

c. All: Video script thoughts.

d. All: Mike Kosolapoff Award thoughts.

e. All: Look for new treasurer.

f. Mike Golden: Confirm date for National MOAA visit/50th anniversary.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 7th at 1 PM at the American Red Cross or by teleconference.

Adjournment: Having nothing further, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Submitted by: Approved by:

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Approved: July 7, 2020