

MOAA BOARD MEETING MINUTES – November 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order @ 0904 HRS. at the Clearwater Country Club by President Jeff Doll, those present stood, faced the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

In Attendance: Jeff Doll, Gary Williams, Rob Risberg, Jane Belson, Pat Hughes, Jim Souders, and Steve Hodges.

Secretary's Report: The October minutes were reviewed that were prepared by Secretary, Sandy Behm. A motion was made by Pat and seconded by Jim to accept the minutes; all approved, The Minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Belson presented the Treasurer's report. Checking Account \$13,181.68, Charitable Account \$13,834.59, **TOTAL \$27,016.27**. A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Steve to accept the Treasurer's report; all approved. The Treasurer's report was accepted as submitted.

Membership Report: Rob reported 106 Members, 60 Regular Members, 33 Spouse Members, 13 Surviving Spouse Members for a Gain of 2. We advised Rob at the meeting that Ellen Rodnite passed away so he will make the notation on the next report of her death and notify Council.

Drumbeat Report: NSTR.

Web Report: Rob Risberg reported that all seems to be working except for a small glitch which he is working on with the webmaster to try to correct.

Members in Distress: Bob sent a sympathy card to Jack Rodnite on the loss of his wife.

Surviving Spouse/Spouse Report – Nothing to report at this time.

ROTC Scholarship - Nothing to report at this time. Dave Apt, Bob Behm, Steve Hodges and Dave Mason have conducted the interviews at Clearwater High School in the past of the Cadets recommended by the ROTC instructor for our consideration to receive the Scholarships offered by our Chapter. Jeff suggested that all cadets compete and we then select the three best from the field. That is something we can discuss with the Instructor and pursue further as we get closer to selection time.

Old Business:

Bob Behm is continuing to work on Form 990-N or 990-PF with the IRS. He is going to call the IRS office and attempt to set up an in person appointment to try to resolve this once and for all.

The benches have been purchased by K9P4P and they have closed on the property for their new location. Clearwater MOAA will need to set up a date and time to go there and officially present the benches and help them offload them and set them up so that we have a hands on relationship with our charity and not just a money relationship. This way when we apply for the grant again we can show we are working with the organization and not just a check writing donor.

New Business:

Pearl Harbor Luncheon: Skip Hartnett has agreed to do the invocation for this function. Gary volunteer Diane for the November 17 Luncheon.

Presentation of colors has been confirmed; the drill demonstration is still TBD. We will be feeding the members of the Color Guard and the Instructor burgers, chips and soda in the Grille. A \$100 donation will also be presented to Clearwater H.S. for their participation.

Steve and Dave Mason will conduct the POW Table presentation

Steve will do the Toast to the Flag.

The Presidents of the three Chapters will do the Candle Lighting Ceremony.

Gary Williams will play TAPS

Leadership awards have been submitted and sent in to Benny Blackshire. They will be reviewed and approved at the FCOC Seminar in Orlando and presented at the January Luncheon.

FCOC – We ordered 12 Jr ROTC medals which will be distributed at the January Leadership Seminar

Gary Williams attended a MOAA Luncheon at Sun City Center. All members were wearing a Casual Shirt with the MOAA Logo and the name of their Chapter on it. He was also given a Tri-Fold Booklet and a Notepad with the name of the Chapter and a Pen attached with the Chapter Name and Logo as a Welcome Gift. He suggested that we look into something like this to give to Guests who attend our meetings from another Chapter or a First Time Guest. A discussion ensued regarding looking into having shirts made and possibly seeing if there is an interest among the membership to purchase shirts to wear to meetings. This was tabled for further discussion and interest among the membership. We could then remain casual for most meetings and reserve Jacket and Tie for the Installation of Officers and our Pearl Harbor Luncheons.

Jeff advised that I should be on the lookout for our yearly \$50 recruiting incentive bonus to be deposited into the checking account.

We were advised that George Smith is going to be honored at halftime during the December 19, 2021 Bucs game as the Outstanding Veteran of Tampa Bay.

Future Speakers:

November 17, Luncheon – Homeland Security

December 7 Luncheon – Gary Williams

January 26, 2022 Luncheon – Linda Moore –Trauma Nurse

February 23, 2022 Luncheon –Guy Roberts Pending MOAA National Visit

With all business being concluded the meeting adjourned at 1025 HRS.

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