

FORT RUCKER CHAPTER  
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
JULY 19, 2021

The meeting convened at 12:40 on 19 July 2021 at the Divots Restaurant at Silver Wings Golf Course, Fort Rucker, AL by Ron Kaita. Attendees were Ron Kaita, Russell Smith, Carolyn Wooley, Loel Ewart, Frank Estes, Othan Gilbert, Dennis Newton and Faye Swinehart.

Dennis Newton opened the meeting with prayer.

**Old Business**

- Minutes of the 14 June 2021 meeting were approved.

**New Business**

- The Treasurer's 19 July 2021 finance report was approved. Loel said our checkbook is in good shape.
- Ron Kaita gave the Ambassador report. He said there was one graduation for the Warrant Officers this month. Ron stated that he was back in the business of recruiting. He will be at The Landing for the next three days for the Aviation Industrial Days. He has put up our banner and flag. He has plenty of recruiting information.
- Frank Estes wants information for the newsletter by noon this Wednesday. Ron said he would write an article on the Eagle Raising Ceremony.
- Russ Smith reported that he wants the speaker for our October dinner to be the Garrison Commander. Ron plans asking the Director from the Dothan Botanical Gardens or Landmark Park for future dinner speakers. Ron has ordered eight pen sets as a speaker gift.
- Othan said that the current chapter membership stands at 143. Othan had been trying to get information on the Dothan Chapter that is not meeting anymore from MOAA National. He finally got in touch with the Senior Director of Chapter Affairs, Erin Stone, who gave him a list of the members. He proposed to send an invitation to the members to ask if they would like to join our chapter. He will draft a letter and seek to have it approved by Ms. Stone and the President of the Alabama Council of Chapters, Dave Jensen. He will then have it professionally printed. The board voted and approved \$200 for the printing and postage.
- Faye Swinehart had no report.
- Russ Smith reported that he had some good reports on the Eagle Rising Ceremony. The MOAA Facebook page was bought up for discussion, whether to keep it or cancel. Russ volunteered to take control and keep it current.
- Ron asked about the zoom meeting with the Alabama Council of MOAA Chapter. Dennis reported that it was not well attended. They did vote on the by-laws and approved them. It was decided that there would be a face-to-face meeting in October to install new officers
- Ron mentioned that the MOAA store should be online in October.

The board adjourned at 1336 hours.

The next Board meeting will be on 13 August 2021

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary