

FORT RUCKER CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
JULY 11, 2022

The meeting convened at 1220 on 11 July 2022 at the Divots Restaurant at Silver Wings Golf Course, Fort Rucker, AL and chaired by Ron Kaita. Attendees were Ron Kaita, Carolyn Wooley, Loel Ewart, Othan Gilbert, Ray Collins and Lisa Bailey.

Ron Kaita opened the meeting with prayer. Followed with Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Old Business

- Minutes of the 13 June meeting were approved.

New Business

- The Treasurer's 11 July finance report was approved. Loel reported that the audit was completed and he mailed it by registered mail to Ft. Rucker.
- Ron Kaita said that he recruited 77 of the 2218 class of the warrant officer college. Ron plans to recruit this coming Saturday.
- Ron stated that he was working on getting our speaker for our next chapter lunch, hopefully the Director of the Botanical Gardens
- It was mentioned that Frank needs newsletter articles by 20 July.
- Othan reported that we have 134 chapter members. Othan has requested a copy of all MOAA Premium and Life members in our area. He plans to send a letter asking them to join our chapter.
- Ray Collins reported on the Legislative Affairs. The military pay raise of 4.6% is far from "in the bank" and even if finalized authorized it will be 2.6% behind. COLA Watch: The Consumer Price Index for April was up 6% above the FY 2022 COLA baseline.
- Frank reported for Mary Rutkowski on our next chapter luncheon. The menu: Choice of chicken salad croissant with lettuce and tomato or hot roast beef and swiss sandwich, pasta salad, kettle chips, lemon squares and cookie platter for each table, unsweet and sweet tea, water and coffee. The cost will be \$15.00.
- Othan said that he forwarded the pictures from our post chapter dinners to Dennis Newton and they are now on our web site.
- Ron reported on The Eagle Rising Ceremony that took place on July 7. COL (Ret) O'Brien attended from MOAA National. CW5(Ret) Charles Poulton was the recipient of this award. Ron got the cake from Sam's for \$40.00.
- Ron asked if we had noticed in the MOAA Officer Magazine that MOAA has been ranked as the top military advocate/lobbyist organization for 15 years.

The board adjourned at 1310 hours.
The next board meeting will be on 8 Aug.

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary