

FORT RUCKER CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
APRIL 10, 2023

The meeting convened at 1200 on 10 April 2023 at the Divots Restaurant at Silver Wings Golf Course, Fort Novosel, AL and chaired by Ron Kaita. Attendees were Ron Kaita, Randy Godfrey, Carolyn Wooley, Loel Ewart, Frank Estes, Othan Gilbert, Mary Rutkowski and Faye Swinehart.

Ron Kaita opened the meeting with the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Old Business

- Minutes of the 13 March 2023 board meeting were approved.

New Business

- The Treasurer's 10 April 2023 finance report was approved.
- Ron Kaita stated that he just gave the President report to the Alabama Council of Chapters on the Ambassador Program. He said that between February and March almost 400 candidates have signed up for basic membership in MOAA national.
- Frank Estes had several excellent comments on the newsletter. We liked the extra page on the past Presidents.
- Randy Godfrey announced that April's luncheon is being held at the Terrace, Oak Grove Park next week. He said he hopes to get someone from MWR to speak at the June luncheon on Freedom Feast.
- Othan reported that we have 129 chapter members at this time. He also said that we had gotten around 7 members from the Dothan MOAA.
- Ron read Ray Collins report on Legislative Affairs and Retiree Council meeting. Ray reported that there are lots of budget cuts for the military. One bright spot in the 118th Congress 97 of the 535 seats will be filled with veterans.
- Ray's report on Retiree Council is that The Landing is now closed; the commissary will have a case lot sale May 25-28 Day; at the Lake is on May 20; several tournaments are planned for the golf course; and Equestrian Center is under new management.
- Mary Rutkowski said that ROWA will meet tomorrow here at the Silver Wings Golf Course at 11. She has 8 reservations.
- Mary took reservations for the Chapter Lunch. It was decided that Othan would do a Calling Post Call on Saturday.
- Randy said this morning was the rededication and we are now on Fort Novosel. On 12 April, the Headquarters Building will be named McNair Hall. On April 15 will be the 40th anniversary Aviation Branch Ball.
- Ron reported that there was a zoom meeting with the Alabama Council of Chapters. It was not well attended. I can say that the state of Alabama is doing great things for our service personnel.

The board adjourned at 12:42 hours.

The next board meeting will be on 8 May 2023.

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary