

FORT RUCKER CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2023

The meeting convened at 1200 on 14 August 2023 at the Divots Restaurant at Silver Wings Golf Course, Fort Novosel, AL and chaired by Ron Kaita. Attendees were Ron Kaita,, Carolyn Wooley, Loel Ewart, Othan Gilbert, Loel Ewart, Randy Godfrey and Mary Rutkowski.

Ron Kaita opened the meeting with the invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Old Business

- Minutes of the 10 July 2023 board meeting were approved.

New Business

- The Treasurer's 14 August 2023 finance report was approved.
- Ron Kaita gave the Ambassador Program report. He said that class 2321 will be held this Wednesday at the Museum. He stated that he signed up 71 Basic MOAA Memberships from this last class.
- Frank reminded us that we had tabled a discussion on reducing our dinner/luncheon meetings to a quarterly schedule each year which would reduce the number of newsletters accordingly. It will be on the agenda for our September meeting.
- Randy said it is a go for our speaker Mr. Robinson for this coming MOAA luncheon. Randy also announced the traveling Vietnam Wall is coming to this area on September 6 until the 11. It will be at the National Peanut Festival Fairground's in Dothan. There will be other things happening for 9/11.
- Othan reported 127 MOAA members. He reported that we lost another member COL James Earl Hyers.
- Legislative Affairs: New bills have been introduced which will allow dependents of veterans to remain under their parents CHAMVA medical coverage until age 26. COLA Watch: The May 2023 Consumer Price Index is 298.382 or 2.2% above the FY 2023 COLA baseline.
- Mary Rutkowski said ROWA 's next meeting will be 12 Sept. at the Silver Wings Golf Course.
- Mary stated she has 22 members signed up for this Thursday's lunch.
- Randy reported that he had someone in mind for the October dinner. He is hoping to get Congressman Barry Moore for our speaker at the December MOAA chapter meeting.
- Ron said that he had been approached by MOAA to give an interview as to what I do here for our chapter. He did give an interview over the phone and was surprised at some of their questions.
- Ron reminded us that he is still looking for his replacement.

The board adjourned at 12:43 hours.

The next board meeting will be on 11 Sept. 2023.

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary