## FORT RUCKER CHAPTER MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING OCTOBER 9, 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, Frank Estes, Ray Collins, Faye Swinehart 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 11 September 2023 board meeting were approved.

## **New Business**

- Ron announced that we have the monies for the food bank and scholarship fund in our treasury.
- Ron Kaita gave the Ambassador Program report. Yesterday he held a briefing with the candidates, class of 2326, the last class of this fiscal year and recruited 64 new MOAA members.
- Frank was congratulated for a great job on our newsletter.
- Ron said that our speaker for the October chapter dinner was changed. Lt. Col Garrett Holt will be our speaker.
- Othan reported to Ron that our membership remained the same at 130.
- Ray gave a report on Legislative Affairs and Retiree Council. House Bill1413 is determined to keep National Cemetery availability honoring the nation's promise to the military community.
   COLA Watch: the July 2023 Consumer Price Index is 2.7% above the FY 2023 COLA baseline.
   The Lyster Clinic will have an all-day shutdown Oct 18. Dueling piano's will be 20 October.
   Trick or treat in scheduled for 31 Oct.
- Mary Rutkowski said ROWA 's next meeting will be 10 October at the Silver Wings Golf Course. There are 8 reservations.
- Mary asked for reservations for our next chapter dinner.
- Ron reminded us that the Retiree Appreciation Day will be 27 October. There will be a lunch afterwards. The cost is \$16 and requires a reservation.
- Ron reminded us that he is still looking for his replacement and for vice president.
- Ron mentioned that he will bring up changing meeting and newsletter date at our coming dinner.

The board adjourned at 12:34 The next board meeting will be on 13 Nov.

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary