

FORT RUCKER CHAPTER  
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
JANUARY 8, 2024

The meeting convened at 1200 on 8 January 2024 at the Divots Restaurant at Silver Wings Golf Course, Fort Novosel, AL and chaired by Ron Kaita. Attendees were Ron Kaita, Dennis Newton, Carolyn Wooley, Loel Ewart, Randy Godfrey, Othan Gilbert, Faye Swinehart and Susanne Bailey.

Dennis Newton opened the meeting with the invocation.  
Ron Kaita led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Old Business**

- Minutes of the 11 December board meeting were not available.

**New Business**

- The Treasurer's 8 January 2024 finance report was approved. Loel asked if anyone needed computer paper. He also reminded us that postage stamps were going up again.
- Ron Kaita gave the Ambassador Program report. New classes started this month and the next graduation will be in February.
- Ron reminded everyone to get news articles to Frank before the due date if possible.
- Othan reported that our membership is at 128. He has gotten in touch with several members that had not paid their dues. He is also featuring a board member in each newsletter. The next person to be recognized is Carolyn Wooley. He is also mailing the next newsletter to all members.
- Faye Swinehart reported that stated that 2 chapter members had died: LTC Robert Turner (Ozark) on 12/12/23 and CPT Allen Dunham (Enterprise) on 12/19/23.
- Susanne Bailey said ROWA was to meet tomorrow but with bad weather coming it was cancelled. ROWA will meet in February.
- Susanne gave the menu for our February MOAA Chapter dinner as follows: mixed green salad with assorted dressings; roast pork with a grilled scallion and citrus sauce; scalloped potatoes; green beans almandine; red velvet cake; sweet and unsweet tea, water, coffee. The cost to be \$23 a plate.
- Randy reported that he is working on a speaker for our next dinner.
- It was voted to have Susanne Bailey to join as a board member. She is to co-chair with Mary Rutkowski while she is recovering from illness.
- Ron reported that there is a zoom meeting with the Alabama Council of Chapter he will attend. He suggested that we pay for a flag (to honor wounded soldiers) that would be flown at the new lodge that is being built at the lake. This was voted on and approved.

The board adjourned at 12:52  
The next board meeting will be on 12 February.

Carolyn Wooley, Secretary