New River Chapter MOAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 18 May 2010

Call to Order: Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1830 hours on 18 May 2010 at the Coffee Shop on the Backstreet in West Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, President; Charles Knapp, 1st Vice President; Ken Lynn, Secretary/Treasurer; Porter Hicks, Legislative Committee Chair; Scott Sears; Lee Eldreth; Jerry Lafferty; Barbara Sears; and Lee Lafferty.

Old/Unfinished Business:

Chapter Budget/Dues Report: Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Ken Lynn reported that 29 of 39 members have paid their \$20.00 2009/2010 annual dues and the current cash balance on-hand is \$1,282.70. As discussed at the March BoD meeting, Doug will personally call the members who are in arrears.

Give Me 10 Update: Ken reported there's been one life member upgrade and one new member who has joined the Chapter.

Committee Reports: Porter Hicks gave a quick rundown on legislative actions with respect to healthcare. Discussion then ensued on obtaining a speaker for next month's program and Doug is taking the lead on this. The Personal Affairs and Programs and Membership Chairs were unable to attend.

Ashe County High School JROTC Support: Doug announced that he, Charles and Ken were meeting with the high school principal on the morning of the 19th to introduce our Chapter and to lay the foundation for support of the local detachment. (**Update:** The meeting was very productive and the Chapter has been invited to the Detachment Awards Ceremony on 2 June at 1830 hours in the high school auditorium. The Chapter will present the MOAA Leadership Award.)

Fundraising: Lengthy discussion took place concerning the "Scenes of Ashe County" lithograph. Charles briefed that he'd made contact with the Ashe Arts Council and there are some copyright and other business actions that must be reviewed before we can proceed. Charles is vigorously working on this initiative and will have a suggested way ahead in the near future.

New Business:

Program Planning for the June Membership Meeting: Doug will work on obtaining a speaker while he attends the N.C. Quarterly Council of Chapters meeting later this month.

August Picnic Social: A decision was made to reserve the pavilion at Mount Jefferson State Park on a Saturday afternoon in August. Once the reservation is finalized, more detail will be forthcoming.

MOAA Chapter "Levels of Excellence" Award Program: Doug reviewed the requirements to obtain 4- and 5-star chapter recognition by MOAA National. It was agreed that throughout this year, the New River Chapter should work towards meeting the requirements so that we can submit our Chapter for 5-star recognition next year.

Other Business:

Special Presentation: Scott and Barbara Sears made a special flag presentation to the BoD. The Board graciously accepted and asked that Barbara explain the significance behind the flag to the entire membership at the June meeting.

Adjournment: The president adjourned the meeting at 2020 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President

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Coffee House on the Backstreet

Agenda

- Old Business
 - o Budget/Dues report Treasurer, Ken Lynn
 - o Give Me 10 Status report
 - Legislative Committee Report Chair, Porter Hicks
 - o Support for ACHS JROTC Program Discussion
 - o Fundraising Discussion
- New Business
 - Barn Quilts Lithograph Fundraising Project Status report and discussion
 - o June Regular Membership Meeting Program
 - August Picnic Reservation Request for Mount Jefferson Park Picnic Area
 - o North Carolina Council of Chapters Meeting
 - March Meeting Winston-Salem, NC (report)
 - May Meeting Goldsboro, NC
 - o MOAA Chapter "Levels of Excellence" Award Program
- Other Business Items, as required