New River Chapter MOAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 17 April 2012

Call to Order: Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1730 hours on 15 May 2012 at the *Coffee House* on the Backstreet in West Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, President; Charles Knapp, 1st Vice President; Ken Lynn, Secretary/Treasurer; Ron Schuette Director at Large; also attending were Karen Strickland Personal Affairs Committee Chair; Betty Schuette Auxiliary/Spouse Representative; Linda Marsh, Scholarship Committee Chair.

Old/Unfinished Business:

Chapter Budget/Dues Report: Chapter Treasurer Ken Lynn reported that the Chapter's current cash balance on hand is: \$2,218.35 and the Scholarship Fund balance is \$7,914.79. The IRS filings for both the Chapter and Scholarship fund have been submitted for 2011.

New Business:

June Program: Doug announced that Christina Wagoner, our Chapter CPA, will speak on estate planning at the June meeting.

Fundraising Opportunities: Doug reported the Blue Ridge Marathon event was well supported by our Chapter and we'll receive a future cash payment for our volunteer efforts. Linda Marsh announced the RADM Scott L. Sears Memorial Walk and Picnic will take place on 14 July at 1030 hrs at Price Lake located off the BRP near Blowing Rock. Participants will pay \$15 to walk and support the Sears Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship Committee will begin meeting soon to formalize the planning.

E-newsletter: Doug again discussed the intent and purpose for the newly created e-newsletter to serve as a quick means of notification to members in-between releases of the print newsletter.

Call for Inputs: The MOAA Level of Excellence Award submissions are due NLT 1 June and Doug called for inputs.

RADM-Ret Sears Interment: The interment will be held on 15 June at the Arlington National Cemetery at 1400 hrs.

JROTC Leadership Awards: Awards were presented to cadets at both Ashe County High School and Wilkes Central High School. We've also picked up a third high school in Wilkes County that we'll begin supporting next year.

Adjournment: The president adjourned the meeting at 1825 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President