New River Chapter MOAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 20 May 2014

Call to Order: Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1735 hours on 20 May 2014 at the *Coffee House* on the Backstreet in West Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, President; Charles Knapp, 1st Vice President/Programs & Membership Chair; Ken Lynn, Secretary/Treasurer; Barbara Sears, Personal Affairs Committee Chair; Ron Wilsbach, Legislative Affairs Committee Chair; Linda Marsh, Scholarship Committee Chair, Lou Burge, Director at-large

Old/Unfinished/Recurring Business:

Chapter Budget/Dues Report: Chapter Treasurer Ken Lynn reported the Chapter's current cash balance on hand is: \$3,311.71. Expenses since the last meeting included meals for the guest speakers. The balance on hand in the Scholarship fund is: \$11,375.93. The scholarship IRS filing was completed earlier in the month.

New Business:

Programs & Membership Committee Chair and Chapter Recruiting: Charles spent several minutes going over the plans and itinerary for the upcoming July meeting where Col Mike Hayden, USAF-Ret and MOAA's Government Relations Director, will be speaking. Plans are to invite the High Country and Tar Heel Chapters as well as other local VSOs. A Press conference will be held and the venue for the actual presentation/meeting will be at the Arts Council.

Personal Affairs Committee: Barbara reiterated her motion that all members provide her with a military biography that the committee could keep on file to help with crafting obituaries and for use in other matters in the event of a member passing away. Bios are slowly coming in.

Scholarship Committee: Linda announced the scholarship committee has selected a recipient at ACHS who will receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship. A future meeting is to be held to review the awarding criteria for future scholarships.

The Legislative Committee: Ron reported on MOAA's reaction to the VA scandal.

Auxiliary Spouse Liaison: Betty Schuette was unable to attend.

Other Business:

NCC: Doug briefly reviewed the outcome of the Council's recent "Boot Camp" Training for Council officers.

Veterans Recognition Program: Doug briefly spoke on finding a volunteer to head up this initiative the Board had discussed last month.

MOAA Presidents Symposium: The symposium will be held in Jacksonville, FL 4-6 September.

JROTC Leadership Award: The Board briefly reviewed the procedures for the upcoming presentation to ACHS JROTC Cadet Captain Joshua Goodman.

Adjournment: The president adjourned the meeting at 1825 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President