

05 Mar 2014

Minutes of the 04 March 2014 Kings Bay Chapter of MOAA Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting

The BOD meeting was held at Ray Crouch's home, 229 Harbor View Dr, Woodbine, GA. It was attended by Ray Crouch, Harry Lewis, Keith Johnston, Joe Lodmell, Fred Boyles, Jack Briggs, Tom Richter, and guest Kelly Alexander. Absent: Neal Moore.

Call for Officer Reports: - Ray Crouch called for reports, and noted he would save comments for end of meeting.

Membership – Neal Moore – No report (absent).

Secretary- Jack Briggs – Noted that flyer for March meeting has been e-mailed. He will provide dinner count to Club and Guest Attendance Roster to Osprey Cove Security if Neal is unavailable.

Treasurer – Harry Lewis – Harry provided information on a Coast Guard Luncheon and on Camden Partnership membership. Current Chapter balance is \$4016.30. Two bills are outstanding against that balance. Order was placed for ten cups to be used for MOAA speaker gifts. Ray needs reimbursement of \$46 for plaque purchase for outgoing Chapter President. A motion was made and approved for the Chapter to join the Camden Partnership at a cost of \$100.

TOPS - Harry Lewis – No new information to report.

Legislative Committee. Joe Lodmell – Gov't proposals affecting members are in flux. Latest info will be provided for March meeting.

Publicity – Keith Johnston – Brought the new Chapter Display Board and stickers. 125 Chapter stickers provided to Richter for use on Hunley event; Chapter to reimburse Keith for 500-sticker purchase @ \$138.24. Suggestion to use a removable writing surface on the Display Board.

Programs – Fred Boyles - Fred has asked John Morissey and Sheila McNeil to be speakers at the April meeting, with possible topics the Washington Fly-in, the Ohio Class sub replacement, the spaceport, and Cumberland Island. For May, have contacted the commanding officer of VP-16 (NAS JAX), Cmdr William Pennington for talk on the new plane replacing P-8s and ASW in general. No firm commitment at this time. Will see if another officer from VP-16 can speak if Pennington unavailable. For June, Dr Aloia still on tap.

Old Business: KBMOAA hosting the 2015 annual TGMOAA Conference, 15-17 Oct 2015. Suggestion to use Angela Wigger, St Marys Tourism Bureau, as resource for the event.

Hunley Submarine Restoration Fund -Tom Richter. Tom needs reimbursement of \$55 for the hotel room for March speaker from Charleston, NC, and a \$250 check for the Hunley Fund, as previously approved.

FLETC Tour – Neal Moore. No report (absent).

New Nametags from MOAA – Neal Moore No report (absent)

New Business:

Ray discussed making a donation of \$850 to enable a Georgia (Fort Gordon) Wounded Warrior and spouse to attend the 2014 GAMOAA annual meeting onboard a cruise ship Oct 20-24. Details on the cruise are available on the GAMOAA website, which is accessible from our Chapter website. Ray & Dee are going on cruise at own expense. A motion was made and approved to make the donation. It was then suggested that to help the Chapter with it's membership/publicity, that Ray have his picture taken on the cruise with the recipient, for later publication.

Ray offered his vision for the Chapter as the following three priorities:

1. Support National MOAA
2. Promote speakers that enlighten our membership
3. Participate in local military related organizations and engage the community

A discussion ensued on how we can connect better with local officers from Kings Bay. It was noted that it is unlikely that junior officers would join the chapter. Maybe Boat commanders would be a better target of membership efforts.

Guest Speakers:

- a. Mar 2014 – Frederick Tetor, Hunley Restoration
- b. Apr 2014 – working Morissey & McNeil
- c. May 2014 – working VP-16
- d. Jun 2014 - Dr. Aloia, President of College of Costal Georgia
- e. Jul/Aug – no meetings for summer

Next BOD meeting: 01 April 2014