

AABC MOAA  
Minutes of Board Meeting  
14January2017

Attendance: Jim Morfeld, President; Mark Menich, 1<sup>st</sup> VP & Program; Mark Lindon, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP & Membership, Gary Reid, Treasurer; Veronica Hebert, Secretary; Dick Smith; CCoC VP and AABC Former President; David Lovering, Chairman & Editor of Newsletter

Reviewed Mission as outlined in our bylaws.

Most of the meeting was spent in a lively brain storming session on membership:

- Compliments to Mark Menich for the excellent programs he has arranged; programs draw members & guests to our meetings.
- The majority present appear to feel the best way to obtain new members is through our existing members with expectations of slow growth. Younger military veterans are faced with very busy schedules and are not as available for membership. This makes filling chapter positions and sharing workload more difficult as our membership ages.
- Suggestion made that Mark Lindon work on recruiting another chapter member to be part of the membership committee; names were suggested but this could be difficult as the Chapter's older membership is not as active.
- There are general MOAA business cards that many of us did not know about. **Gary** is going to look into ordering cards for Mark Lindon & other Board members.

Financial Status: Gary reported we are in good shape financially.

This is the 45<sup>th</sup> year of the AABC Chapter's existence:

- We appreciate Bob Brockish' s reminder.
- We will celebrate the 45<sup>th</sup> at the Chapter Meeting 11March2017, when a MOAA Representative will present a 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary certificate.
- There will also be a dinner Friday 10March2017, for the Board, CCoC/MOAA visitors, Chapter Chairmen and Former Chapter Presidents. **Mark Menich** is coordinating the location.

Discussed File Maker Database:

- Our older version is working fine; impractical to spend money on upgrade. However newer version may have better security. Also discussed and discarded idea of converting to Excel.
- **Gary** will use File Maker to report our chapter membership to National.

Newsletter:

- Important to emphasize programs and legislative updates.
- The Chapter Calendar distributed at each meeting includes due dates for articles.
- **Veronica** will also publish a reminder to Board/Chairmen two weeks before the due date.

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