New River Chapter MOAA Meeting Minutes 17 July 2012

Call to Order: Following a meal and playing of the National Anthem, Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1855 hours on 17 July 2012 at the *Coffee House in* West Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, Charles Knapp, Ken Lynn, Ron Schuette, Louis Burge, Mac Hunt, Lee Eldreth, Robert Burgess, Steve Tucker, Bill Horner, Jerry Lafferty, Karen Strickland, Ron Wilsbach, Jim Dunne, Linda Marsh, Betty Schuette (member-spouse/auxiliary /spouse chair), Lee Lafferty (member-spouse), Frances Hunt (member-spouse), Betty Dunne (member-spouse), Cathy Ehrhardt (member-spouse) Monica Madden-Lynn (member-spouse).

Old/Unfinished Business:

Old Business: Doug briefly reviewed the work of the Board of Directors who met immediately prior to the general membership meeting (see the Board meeting minutes same date for a summary).

New Business:

Chapter Budget/Dues Report: Chapter Treasurer Ken Lynn reported that the Chapter's current cash balance on hand is: \$2,385.66 and the Scholarship Fund balance is \$8,319.84.

New Business:

Upcoming Meetings/Programs: The annual picnic will be held at the Jefferson Landing pavilion on 11 August. The September program is still TBD and the Annual Membership Meeting will take place in October.

Fundraising Opportunity/Scholarship Committee Update: Linda Marsh reported that the RADM Scott L. Sears Memorial Walk and Picnic scheduled to take place on 14 July at 1030 hrs at Price Lake was rained out. A make-up date is planned for Saturday 21 July same time and location. Participants will pay \$15 to walk and support the Sears Scholarship Fund. Also, the Scholarship Committee is finalizing the award criteria for the awarding of scholarships and is meeting on 30 July.

Joint NRC/HCC Hosting of NC Council of Chapters: Doug reiterated the committal of the two chapters to jointly host the NC Council of Chapters next year during the July/Aug/Sep timeframe.

5th District Congressional Debate: A motion to consider hosting another congressional debate in October was put forward. No decision was made either

way...but the Board is looking to see if there's interest in someone volunteering to take this on as project POC.

Guest Speaker: Jason Pratscher, the local area outreach coordinator for the Wounded Warrior Project, gave an outstanding presentation on WWP.

Other Business:

50/50 Raffle: Jerry Lafferty was the lucky recipient of the 50/50 raffle.

Adjournment: The president adjourned the meeting at 2030 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President