New River Chapter MOAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 16 June 2015

Call to Order: Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1710 hours on 16 June 2015 at the *Winner's Circle* in Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, President; Charles Knapp, 1st Vice President/Programs; Ken Lynn, Secretary/Treasurer; Barbara Sears, Personal Affairs Committee Chair; Lou Burge, Director at-Large; Mik Mikulan, Director at-Large

New Business:

President's Discussion: Doug began with an overview of the recent State Convention Meeting and discussed the three Chapter awards we had received (Unique Communication, Website, E-newsletter). He noted that at each of the three local high schools our Chapter supports, all the JROTC commanders are leaving and three new commanders are coming in. Doug also recapped the recent awarding of a \$1000.00 Sears Memorial Scholarship to a deserving JROTC cadet and the awarding of the MOAA Leadership Awards to cadets at each high school.

Old/Unfinished/Recurring Business:

Chapter Budget/Dues Report: Chapter Treasurer Ken Lynn reported the Chapter's current cash balance on hand is: \$3,753.21. A \$150.00 outlay for website hosting has been paid. The balance on hand in the Scholarship fund is: \$12, 023.28 and he has a \$315.00 check to deposit into the account.

Programs Committee Chair: Charles went over plans for hosting our July meeting at the Arts Council and the fact that we'll be opening the meeting to all county veterans and members of the High Country Chapter as we host Ilario G. Pantano, Director of North Carolina Veterans Affairs. The Ashe and Watauga County VSO are also invited.

Veterans Outreach: Lou remarked that we currently have no other prospects to recognize, but he is continuing to work with the local veterans groups to learn of potential prospects. He and Charles gave an update on their meeting with the other veteran VSO commandants concerning the stand-up of a county veterans coalition. Tentative agreement was reached that this will happen.

Scholarship Committee: Linda March was not present.

The Legislative Committee: Ron Wilsbach was not present.

Membership Committee: Vacant.

Personal Affairs Committee: Barbara Sears was present, but had nothing new to report.

Auxiliary Spouse Liaison: Vacant.

Other Business: None.

Adjournment: The president adjourned the meeting at 1740 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President