



Executive Committee Meeting

Crystal City Marriott at Reagan National Airport
Arlington, Virginia

October 2, 2022

Minutes

The following members of the Executive Committee were present: President, Capt. Robert H. Carmack; Immediate Past President, Col. Judi A. Davenport; Army Vice President, Lt. Col. Vincent A. Cummings; Army Executive Committee Members, Col. Anthony K. Atlas Sr., Lt. Col. McKinley Williams, and Col. Monti G. Zimmerman; Air Force Executive Committee Members, Lt. Col. Susan E. Lukas, and Col. Barbara Ortiz; Naval Services Vice President, Capt. Henry E. Plimack; Naval Services Executive Committee Members, Cmdr. John Leonard, and Capt. Samuel Wright; and Executive Director, Mr. Jeffrey E. Phillips.

Appointed national officers present were Historian, Lt. Col. William B. Pentecost Jr.; Judge Advocate, Col. James R. Sweeney; and Public Relations Officer, Capt. Henry E. Plimack. Also, in attendance were Board of Trustees Chair, Col. Tom Hueg; Budget and Finance Committee Chair, Lt. Col. Hazel Robinson; Insurance and Financial Services Committee Chair, Col. Darren Venters; national staff, Ms. Diane Markham; and guests Dr. Marc Lemmerman and Brig. Gen. Irene Zoppi.

Elected and appointed officers absent were President-Elect, Lt. Col. Layne Wroblewski; Naval Services Junior Vice President, Lt. Cmdr. Bill Kozlowski; Naval Services Executive Committee Member, Col. Scott Willis; Air Force Vice President, Lt. Col. Layne Wroblewski; Air Force Junior Vice President, Capt. Zohe Quintero; Air Force Executive Committee Member, Col. Paul L. Bailey; Chaplain, Brig. Gen. Robert Pleczkowski; Health Services Officer, Maj. Gen. Peggy Wilmoth; International Programs Officers, Capt. David M. Epstein, and International Programs Officer, Lt. Col. Beverley A. Houghton; Treasurer, Lt. Col. Layne R. Wroblewski; and Sergeant-at-Arms, Lt. Col. Joseph Snel.

Ms. Diane Markham, recording secretary, took roll. With a quorum in attendance, President Carmack called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Call to Order

President Carmack opened the meeting by asking Lt. Col. Robinson to provide the invocation.

International Presentation

Col. Sweeney introduced ROA convention guest, Dr. Marc Lemmerman from the German reserve organization. Dr. Lemmerman said his association is dealing with the same issues as ROA. He said membership is about personal connections. He congratulated ROA on its 100th anniversary and presented a plaque to President Carmack.

Executive Director's Comments

Mr. Phillips gave congratulations to all the newly-elected Executive Committee members. He committed to being available to assist as needed.

Committee Reports

Committee reports were provided by Lt. Col. Hazel Robinson, chair of the Budget and Finance Committee; Col. Tom Hueg, chair of the Board of Trustees; and Col. Daren Venters, chair of the Insurance and Financial Services Committee.

UPORFA Chief U.S. Delegate

Maj. Gen. Smith briefed the ExCom on what UPORFA is and what it does as an organization. He went on to explain that he has been the Chief U.S. Delegate to UPORFA for 12 years and it is time for him to step down. He nominated Brig. Gen. Irene Zoppi to replace him.

Upon a properly made motion by Lt. Col. Cummings, seconded by Lt. Col. Williams, and upon a unanimous vote, it was resolved to appoint Brig. Gen. Irene Zoppi, USAR, as the Chief U.S. Delegate to UPORFA.

Wrap-Up and Adjournment

President Carmack set the following dates for upcoming ExCom meetings: October 26, 2022, November 30, 2022, and January 25, 2023. Each meeting will be held virtually at 7:00 p.m. eastern time. He wrapped up the meeting by asking Lt. Col. Cummings to provide a benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeffrey E. Phillips, Executive Director.

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