Executive Committee Meeting
Las Vegas Hilton, Las Vegas, Nevada
June 25, 2010

MINUTES

The following members of the Executive Committee were present: National President, RADM Paul Kayye; President-Elect, Col Walker Williams; Vice President Army, BG Mike Silva; Executive Committeemen Army, COL John Davenport and LTC Chad Stoddard; Vice President Naval Services, CDR Rafael Ortiz; Executive Committeemen Naval Services, CAPT Don Grant, COL Tom Ragsdale, and CAPT David Epstein; Vice President Air Force, Col Scott Russell; Junior Vice President Air Force, Capt. Len Sobieski; Executive Committeemen, Col David Leta and Lt Col Ann Knabe; and Executive Director, MG David Bockel. Attending as advisory members were Judge Advocate, MAJ Bill Pentecost, and Treasurer, COL Terry Baggett.

Other elected and appointed National Officers present were CIOR Vice President, Col Paul Groskreutz; Chaplain, Maj Vince Cummings; Public Relations Officer, CAPT Henry Plimack; and Chairman, Department National Council Members, Lt Col Don Stockton. Invited guests in attendance included ROAL National President, Ms. Linda Veres.

Absent and excused were Immediate Past National President, COL Ladd Pattillo; Junior Vice President Army, CPT Dena Goble; Executive Committeeman Army, COL Judi Davenport; Naval Services Junior Vice President, LCDR Will Brooks; and Executive Committeeman Air Force, Col Kathy Karr. Other elected and appointed National Officers absent were Surgeon and CIOMR Vice President, MG Robert Kasulke; Dental Surgeon, LTC Cheryl Becker; and Sergeant-at-Arms, MAJ Charley Fairbanks.

A quorum being in attendance, the meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m. by Rear Admiral Kayye.

Introductory Remarks

Admiral Kayye opened the meeting by leading the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then expressed his commitment to reviewing and establishing new ExCom policies that would go into effect if the proposed C&B were to be passed in February 2011. Further, he plans to get department feedback on the proposed C&B and review it all with the ExCom at a future meeting.

Financial Update

Major General Bockel began his update by announcing the association received a clean audit for FY2009-2010 but indicated that there were two unresolved items that are currently under review by legal counsel. He then briefed the committee on the updated Five Year Balanced Budget, which included revisions and modifications to the current FY 2011 Budget, and the current building loan. He provided an informational briefing regarding a department direct mail campaign that could possibly replace dues rebates in the future. General Bockel requested that revised FY 2011 Budget be approved.

Upon a properly made motion by Brigadier General Silva, seconded by Captain Epstein, and upon a unanimous vote, the revised budget was approved.

ROAL Report

Mrs. Veres reported that ROAL is currently reorganizing and changing their meeting structure to fall in line with ROA's new meeting structure. She has charged her strategic planning committee with looking at ROAL's long-term plans. ROAL is working with younger members to find out what they want and need.

National Awards

Captain Marshall Hanson presented options and recommendations for the ROA Minuteman of the Year and Minuteman Hall of Fame.

Upon a properly made motion by Lieutenant Colonel Knabe, seconded by Brigadier General Silva, and upon a unanimous vote, it was resolved that Congressman Tom Latham (Iowa-4th District) be named the 2011 Minuteman of the Year.

Upon a properly made motion by Commander Ortiz, seconded by Colonel Russell, and upon a unanimous vote, it was resolved by the National Awards Board that Rear Admiral Daniel R. May, USCG Commander, Personnel Service Center (former USCG Director, Reserve and Training) be inducted into the Minuteman Hall of Fame.

National Meetings

National Convention 2011: Major General Bockel provided an overview of the plans for the 2011 National Convention. They event will run 30 January – 2 February, 2011 at the Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, DC. It will be billed as three events: National Security Symposium sponsored by the Reserve Officers Association (29-31 January); Reserve Component Expo (30-31 January); and ROA National Convention (1-2 February).

National Council 2011: Major General Bockel provided some options on where to hold the next National Council meeting. The ExCom asked General Bockel for more options before making a decision.

Executive Committee Policies

The Executive Committee spent several hours in informal discussion over proposed policy changes that would provide detailed guidance for the association in the event the proposed C&B is passed in February 2011. Notes from the discussion will be compiled and distributed to the ExCom for review prior to their next meeting.

Upon a properly made motion by Brigadier General Silva, seconded by Captain Grant, and upon a majority vote, it was resolved that current ExCom Policy P2 – Budget, National Officer Fiscal Year Guidance be revised as follows: "Outgoing National officers with budgeted funds shall not spend more than 90% of their new budget from 1 April to 1 February."

Upon a properly made motion by Commander Ortiz, seconded by Brigadier General Silva, and upon a unanimous vote, it was resolved that current ExCom Policy P35 – Non-Partisan Policy be revised as follows: "ROA will maintain a neutral posture regarding the advocacy of individuals who are candidates for elected

public office. Appointed public offices may be supported as authorized by the National governing body."

Upon a properly made motion by Commander Ortiz, seconded by Brigadier General Silva, and upon a unanimous vote, it was resolved that a new ExCom policy be set as follows: "As the President considers National committee appointments, every attempt should be made to include a junior officer and a warrant officer whenever possible."

Future Meeting Schedule

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held September 10-11, 2010 (Friday-Saturday) in Washington, DC. It is anticipated that the ExCom will wrap up its policy decisions and begin review of the proposed C&B amendment. The Executive Committee will also meet the Saturday prior to the National Convention, January 29, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by MG David Bockel, Executive Director.