PIEDMONT CHAPTER

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

SEPTEMBER 2019 DINNER MEETING MINUTES

19 SEPTEMBER 2019

The dinner meeting was held at Occasions and called to order at 1830 by President Wayne Watson who welcomed all members and guests. Guests included Dale and Megan Andrew and Janelle's sister.

Chaplain delivered the invocation including comments on the passing of Fred Schwerdtfeger. His service will be held at 1:00 on Wednesday at the Shiloh Methodist Church in Piedmont.

After the Pledge of Allegiance dinner was served.

President Watson's comments:

- 1. The Federal Widow's Tax is not expected to pass.
- 2. The South Carolina Military Retirement Pay Tax Exemption is expected to pass.

3. The South Carolina Legislature approved the construction of two veteran nursing homes with a third expected to be approved soon.

Past President Steven Ford introduced Air Force Cadet Captain Brent Wilken. He received the MOAA Outstanding Cadet Award. Brent reviewed his military and personal history, which included law enforcement duties in 47 different countries, a wife and four young children. He is currently a senior and on scholarship at Clemson University studying criminal justice. He is in an inactive reserve status.

President Watson introduced Clemson Mayor of eight years Mr. J. C. Cook. Mayor Cook spoke to his challenges of running a small city, surrounded by a large, rapidly growing university along with a rapidly growing community. His service as mayor has been a rewarding experience as he watched the city progress.

Chaplain delivered the Benediction.

A voice vote approved the admission of qualified non-commissioned officers into the Piedmont Chapter of MOAA.

Al Sloan won the door prize.

The meeting adjourned at 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Jacobs, Secretary

Agenda for 21 November

Call to order

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Introduction of guests

Introduction of guest speakers

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Program

Capt Sharperson

Art

Conclude

Benediction