

Minutes of the 14 May 2026 MOAA Council of Chapters Meeting

The monthly meeting of the MOAA NCCoC was called to order at 1000 hours on Thursday 14 May by President Capt. Donna Culp USAF (Frm). All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present. There were 10 voting members present with a total of 18 attending.

***Secretary Report:** Frankie presented the minutes from 9 April. The motion was made to accept the minutes, seconded, and passed.

President's Report Capt. Donna Culp, USAF (FMR):

***Treasurer Ken Hillman USMC (Ret)** presented the 2025 Treasurer's Report, noting the checking account has a balance of \$9,572.23. The savings account shows \$11,836.95. 2026 revenue (YTD): \$4,963.62. 2026 expenses (YTD): \$1,181.53, Net Budget Remaining: \$35,782.09. Non-profit tax return filed with IRS (no tax owed, but filing required)

***1st Vice President Frankie Groff, SSL,** Frankie provided updates on the CM Project. Frankie was unable to determine why the membership numbers on the National MOAA site were so high and Donna explained that a recent webinar addressed the confusion, which may include deleted members still counted in the overall total, and noted that MOAA is working to resolve this bug. The group agreed to focus on updating chapter rosters rather than immediately addressing the national numbers. Frankie again asked chapters to make sure the Officer Reports and Semester Reports are up to date on the North Carolina Council website.

2nd Vice President Col Dana Tucker, USA: Dana provided an update on federal advocacy efforts in North Carolina, highlighting recent meetings with legislators regarding four key topics: the Guard bill, Major Richard Starr Act, shutdown fairness, and the CARE Act. The team met with several representatives and senators, including Representative Davis who agreed to sponsor the CARE Act after reviewing it during the meeting. Dana also discussed MOAA's push for nine provisions to be included in the NDAA, encouraging chapter members to contact their representatives about issues of personal interest through the Legislative Action Center.

***3rd Vice President COL Herb Segal, USA Chapter Legislative Liaisons:** Herb provided an update on the June 2nd North Carolina Veterans Council legislative day, noting that several proposed issues either clashed with federal initiatives or had been resolved through other legislation. He expressed concerns about pursuing property tax relief for veterans while the legislature addresses a larger reassessment issue and questioned the need for parallel state legislation on veterans' claim exploitation when federal initiatives already exist. Dana explained that local governments are

carefully monitoring property tax discussions due to revenue concerns and clarified that state-level predatory veterans service officer legislation might be pursued while national legislation remains in flux due to competing bills.

Legislative Outreach and Veterans Issues

The meeting focused on discussing why Richard Hudson was not visited during recent legislative outreach efforts. Dana explained that Hudson was not on National MOAA's priority list, which is determined based on factors like committee assignments and proximity to military bases. Gregory questioned this decision given Hudson's representation of Fort Bragg and large veteran population. The group also discussed the status of veteran's home issues, with Herb reporting that while progress was promised by Secretary Millett, the legislative office has been unresponsive to follow-up attempts.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1100 hours.

Next meeting to be the workshop in Raleigh on June 5 and 6, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Frankie Pennington Groff