

Kuwait Chapter  
Association of United States Army  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - MINUTES  
10 July 2010 at the CSM Don Harbin's Residence

Attendees: by Board Members

Randy Williams, Don Harbin, Patricia Patrick, SGM Russell Christiana, Tom Schneider, June Schneider, Velinda White, Jeremy Howard, John Homerin, and Frank Molinari (new OMCK Liaison). We were also joined by George Brooks, Mrs. Harbin and her mother Suzie,

**I. Old Business**

**A. Review July 2010 Minutes**

John made motion to accept May minutes, Pat seconded and all members approved.

**B. Treasurer Report**

John Homerin gave brief treasure report. We spent about 100 KD last month for clothing locker. John will reconcile the books.

**C. Review of AUSA Point Status**

Currently have 1,054 National AUSA points and we have 191 members ending the AUSA year. The President's goal for next year is to reach 1200 points. AUSA have two hotels, Movenpick will join and Rotana will rejoin as sponsors. Randy congratulated Ms (Dr.)Rania whom received her PHD this month.

**D. Newsletter.**

Randy e-mailed the new version this week and will notify general members when the AUSA National system is restored on 23 July. Patricia Patrick has pictures of the Memorial Day BBQ on CD. Please contact Pat if you will like to purchase a copy of disk. All funds will go to the clothing locker.

**E. AUSA 2010 Training, Annual Meeting & Exposition**

AUSA Leadership (bench) training will be held in Heidelberg Germany from 26-28<sup>th</sup> August. Randy is seeking to send Jana, John, and Ziyad ( vice present, treasurer, and corporate sponsor VP) to attend the three day training sponsored by AUSA.

**F. National Convention**

October 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> - Annual Convention and Expos in Washington, D.C. President needs to know who is planning on attending ahead of time to reserve the rooms and tickets.

## **II. New Business**

**A. Kuwait Army Education Center** will hold their First Graduation Recognition Ceremony today, 10 July 10. Mr. Mazen Al-Essa of the Amiri Diwan contracted Casper & Gambinis and Sha Sha Floriist to provide refreshments for 125 and three large fresh flower arrangements for the ceremony. Randy will be a quest speaker for the ceremony.

**B. US Embassy Walk For the Fallen Event.** We described last year's event for COL Molinari and asked him to bring information to our next meeting so we know how to support for the event in September. AUSA will support by providing money to MWR for T-shirts and arrange some of the food for the BBQ if needed. The Board will need to lock in the funds at Aug 10 meeting, for this event.

**C. Membership Issues.** New membership: Randy reminded members to inform new members with local address, there is an additional fee of \$15.00 per year if you are applying and using a local Kuwait address. Instructions are on the application.

**D. AUSA presentation to ABCK** on 22 June. They may help us as a sponsor for Thanksgiving. Annual Thanksgiving event is just around the corner. The chapter need sponsors this event. Currently we are short 1900kd for the year budget and ABCK could help with this.

- Randy, Nola and CSM Harbin are looking at different hotels to sponsor the Thanksgiving event this year. Randy has asked for a security okay to use the Movenpick as an option.

- Gaelyn asked Randy to write an article about AUSA in the ABCK magazine..

**E. Future Events.** Randy asked the team to relook the dates for the Golf events, and vote at next meeting members should look at MWR events and the local national holidays and events before making a decision.

Tom Schneider announced his departure so Randy arranged a farewell gift and dinner for him. Also, he asked George Brooks to step in as the VP for Golf.

**F. Soldier & NCO of the Year.** AUSA will purchase dress blues for the two ASG Soldiers of the year. CSM Harbin will make arrangements for this. The soldiers will attend the UASA convention in October.

**G.** Randy goes on vacation in late July for 3 weeks.. John Homerin will host the 7 Aug Board meeting.

**III. Next Meeting** –7 Aug, 2010 at John Homerin Residence