

UNITED STATES ARMY WARRANT OFFICER ASSOCIATION  
STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

**MINUTES FROM THE CHAPTER MEETING**

**15 February 2006**

1. The meeting was brought to order by Mr Billy Robinson, Chapter 0306 President, at 1130 hours at 506 Roeder Circle, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

2. The following members were in attendance:

Mr Billy Robinson	President
Mr Howard Lundin	Treasurer
Mr Dale Shepard	Secretary
Mr John Ulrick	Member
Mr Gary Talbot	Member

Proxy representation for the following members:

Ms Frances Bergren-Kienlen  
Mr Dennis Ahrens  
Mr Robert Billings  
Mr Michael Danberry  
Mr Lyle Fridlund  
Mr Gary Gaffner  
Mr Nick Goodwin  
Mr Richard Hathaway  
Mr David Karels  
Mr Wayne Koski  
Ms Connie Payette  
Mr Timothy Vreeman  
Mr Thomas Wilharber  
Mr Dale Wippler

Non-Member and Visiting Warrant Officers:

Mr Timothy Burrow  
Mr Daniel Felten  
Mr Ron Robbins

3. The members Pledged Allegiance to the Flag. Mr Robinson provided the invocation.

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4. President Robinson confirmed that we had a quorum to conduct business. Minutes from the 18 January 2007 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr Lundin to accept the minutes and seconded by Mr Gary Talbot. Motion Carried.

5. Mr Howard Lundin provided the Treasurer's Report. The available checking account balance is \$434.06. The bank charged the \$2.00 checking account fee again. The bank waived the fee for the previous month however, has charged the account on the last statement as well. Mr Lundin will ensure that the bank honors the waiver. Mr Felten motioned to accept the report and Mr Talbot seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

### 6. Announcements:

a. President Robinson spoke of the need for us to expand our recruiting efforts to create new members in the organization. President Robinson also requested a discussion at the next meeting to consider a strategic meeting place that will be in a closer proximity to members in outlying areas. Mr Talbot proposed a directorate disposition List to be sent out via e-mail. Mr Lundin suggested a Warrant Officer Meeting announcement on the Announcements and Top News Items page of the 88<sup>th</sup> RRC Intranet.

b. President Robinson said that all Warrant Officers are invited to our meetings regardless of membership. President Robinson suggested members consider having representation of family members for an evening meeting in the future.

### c. School Attendance:

Mr Robbins	WOBC
Mr Pitts	WOCS
Mr Morresey	WOCS

7. Membership Report: 53 Active Members and 28 unaffiliated members is a total of 81 members strong. Mr Lundin will provide a more detailed membership report next month.

### 8. Old Business:

a. Website. The Star of the North Chapter web site posts the meeting minutes, dates, times and a link to membership applications.

b. Golf Tournament. President Robinson stated that Mr Schlosser was compiling information to provide the chapter with past coordination of this fund raiser. President Robinson encouraged members to volunteer to take the lead for this fund raiser. Approximate dates could be the second, fourth or fifth week in May.

c. Adopt a Highway. President Robinson stated that Mr Appel contacted MNDOT and our designated location is off of Highway 610 in Eagan. The contract is up for renewal and will be discussed at the next meeting.

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d. Membership: The members agreed that our activities and meetings need to attract more participation by the National Guard and out-state Warrant Officers. Action needed: Mr Robinson and Mr Fridlund will contact the membership to determine what locations / times would be more conducive for them to participate in and encourage them to attend our functions. Teleconferences also may be an avenue to get involvement

### 9. New Business:

a. President Robinson read an e-mail from Ms Kimberly Friday concerning the JRTC Academy's May Award Ceremony. Ms Friday is looking for a sponsor for the ROTC Medal. Mr Felten will research the quantity of metals and cost.

b. Fund Raisers for discussion at the next meeting: Raffles, Memorabilia sales, National Guard Armory Car wash.

c. President Robinson will contact Mr Lafferty for information on a flag and memorabilia. There will be a need for a guide-on staff.

d. Publicity Table and Display. Mr Robinson expressed his desire to come up with a quality WOA display for upcoming events in May and for the Warrant Officer Birthday on 9 July. AUSA upcoming event schedule 18 May 07 Spring General Membership at the Sheraton in Bloomington, 18-20 May Fort Snelling Military Expo. 1 June is the 232<sup>nd</sup> Birthday of the Army.

10. Conclusion: At 1235 hours, a motion was made by Mr Howard Lundin to adjourn and it was seconded by Mr Felten. The next meeting will be held at 1130 hours on Thursday, 15 March, outside of the Blue Devil Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

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DALE R. SHEPARD  
Star of the North Chapter  
Secretary, USAWOA