

UNITED STATES ARMY WARRANT OFFICER ASSOCIATION STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

MINUTES FROM THE CHAPTER MEETING 15 March 2007

1. The meeting was brought to order by MR Billy Robinson, Chapter 306 President, at 1130 hours at 506 Roeder Circle, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.
2. The following members were in attendance:

Mr Billy Robinson	President
Mr Lyle Fridlund	Vice President
Mr Howard Lundin	Treasurer
Mr Dale Shepard	Secretary
Mr Galene Schlosser	Member at Large
Ms Jane Sammon	Member
Mr John Ulrick	Member
Mr Kevin Appel	Member
Mr Nelson	Ft. McCoy Member
Mr Daniel Felten	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

3. Mr Robinson led the members in the Pledged of Allegiance. 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 February 2007 meeting were read by Mr Shepard. A motion was made by Mr. Lundin to accept the minutes and seconded by Vice President Fridlund. Motion Carried.

5. Treasurer's Report:

a. Mr Howard Lundin provided the Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's report is submitted as an enclosure to this report. The bank waived the Image Statement Fee for this account. Mr Shepard motioned to accept the report and Mr Appel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. Announcements:

a. President Robinson reiterated the need for us to expand our recruiting efforts in order 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. President Robinson spoke of a nightly meeting to include family members with a date to be determined.

b. Mr Lundin informed the members that a request for access needed to be sent to the Installation Coordinator in order to request the Historians Office for the USAWOA local chapter 306 meeting place.

7. Membership Report:

a. Mr Howard Lundin provided the Membership Report. There are 54 Active Members and 28 unaffiliated members for a total of 82 members. The Membership Report is submitted as an enclosure to this report. Mr presented the President with a renewal recommendation letter to forward to Warrant Officers who have reached their renewal date. President Robinson signed the renewal recommendation letters.

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 10th or 24th of May 2007. Vice President Fridlund offered to head this committee. Mr Felten motioned to accept the Golf tournament as a member supported function with a date to be determined. Mr Appel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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- c. Fund Raisers for discussion: Raffles, Memorabilia sales, National Guard Armory Car wash.
- d. Mr Lundin issued Mr Nelson, representative of the Ft. McCoy chapter, a check for \$125.00 to purchase a Chapter Flag.
- e. 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. 14 June is the 232nd Birthday of the Army.

9. New Business:

- a. Special Olympics. Vice President Fridlund motioned to participate in the Special Olympics. Mr Felten seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- b. Awards: Mr. Felten researched the cost of Four ROTC Medals and presented President Robinson with the information. Mr Felten motioned to accept the cost of the medals and Mr Appel seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Mr Lundin made a recommendation to nominate MSG Raines for the Fort McCoy USAWOA Mentor of the Year Award. Mr Nelson will discuss the recommendation at the Fort McCoy Chapter Social.
- c. Adopt a Highway. Mr Appel contacted MNDOT and our designated location is off of Highway 149. The contract is up for renewal. Vice President Fridlund motioned to renew the membership of the adopt a highway program. Mr Felten seconded the motion. Motion carried.

10. Adjournment:

- a. At 1245 hours, a motion was made by Mr Appel to adjourn and it was seconded by Vice President Fridlund. Motion Carried. The next meeting will be held at 1130 hours on Thursday, 19 April, outside of the Blue Devil Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

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