

UNITED STATES ARMY WARRANT OFFICER ASSOCIATION STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

MINUTES FROM THE CHAPTER MEETING 19 July 2007

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

Billy Robinson	President
Lyle Fridlund	Vice President
Howard Lundin	Treasurer
Dale Shepard	Secretary
Don Nesheim	Member at Large
David Conrad	Member at Large

Proxy representation for the following members:

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

3. President Robinson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Robinson provided the invocation.

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4. President Robinson confirmed that we had a quorum to conduct business. Minutes from the 17 May 2007 meeting were read by Mr. Shepard. A motion was made by Mr. Howard Lundin to accept the minutes and seconded by Vice President Fridlund. Motion Carried.

5. Treasurer's Report:

a. Mr. Lundin provided the Treasurer's Report for the months of June and July. The Treasurer's reports are submitted as an enclosure to this report. The account active for online accounting. Mr. Shepard motioned to accept the report and Vice President Fridlund seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. Announcements:

a. President Robinson will be sending out a copy of the Bylaws with recommended changes via email to all chapter members requesting "concur/no concur" within 2 weeks of email distribution. No response will be considered a concurrence with recommended changes.

b. Mr. Lundin has drafted a request for access to the Fort Snelling area. The Bylaws are needed prior to requesting Installation support. Once the Bylaws are in place the Installation Coordinator can approve the request.

7. Membership Report:

a. Mr. Howard Lundin provided Membership Information. There are 57 Active Members and 29 unaffiliated members for a total of 86 members. Recent renewals are: Mr. Hedblom, Mr. Przbylski and Mr. Rasmussen.

8. Old Business:

a. Awards: President Robinson will provide Mr. Nelson a recommendation for MSG Raines nomination for the Fort McCoy USAWOA Mentor of the Year Award. Mr. Nelson will deliver the recommendation to the Fort McCoy Chapter.

b. Mr. Nelson presented each member with a Warrant Officer Eagle magnetic button that reads "The Eagle will rise again!"

c. Mr. Schlosser motioned to accept the corporate donation for the Golf Tournament. and cancel the Golf Tournament due to only a small amount of RSVP's received due to the Memorial Day holiday. Mr. Lundin motioned to present our corporate sponsors with a certificate of appreciation. The motion was seconded by President Robinson. Motion carried.

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d. President Robinson unveiled the new Star of the North Flag for the members. Mr. Nelson suggested that grommets be attached to the flag on three corners in order to be displayed on a staff or the wall. President Robinson is researching the ability of the 322nd Maint. Co. to sew the eyelets to the flag.

9. New Business:

a. On July ninth, the Star of the North Chapter 306 celebrated the 89th anniversary of the Warrant Officer Corps. The celebration included members and nonmembers.

b. President Robinson, VP Fridlund, Mr. Apple and Mr. Lundin presented the JROTC class at Saint Thomas Academy in St. Paul, MN with the USAWOA ROTC medals. The recipients were C/CPL David Drake – Freshman, C/SGT Elliott Mitchem – Sophomore, C/SFC Kevin Frederick – Junior, and C/1LT David Smith – Senior.

c. The Chapter will schedule a cleanup day at our next meeting for our adopted Highway.

d. 36th Annual Meeting of the Members is 15-20 October 2007 in San Antonio, Texas.
<http://www.usawoa.org/AMM2007.htm>

e. Mr. Schlosser will present a certificate of appreciation to Schleck – Griffith Foundation, Corporate Sponsor of The Star of the North Chapter 306 USAWOA.

10. Adjournment:

a. At 1228 hours, a motion was made by Mr. Lundin to adjourn and it was seconded by Mr. Shepard. Motion Carried. The next meeting will be held at 1800 hours on Thursday, 16 August at the Fort Snelling Officers Club. The Star of the North will be sponsoring a social at the Officers club from 1830 – 1930hrs Spouses' and Families are cordially invited.

Respectfully submitted,

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