



STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

United States Army Warrant Officer Association

Chapter Meeting Minutes 12 March 2009

1. Following a pre-meeting lunch of pizza the meeting was called to order and opened by the Chapter President, CW2 Shawn Pitts at 11:55, 12 March 2009 in Building 506, Fort Snelling, MN. Mr. Pitts led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Attendees:

a. The following members and guests were in attendance:

President: CW2 Shawn Pitts
Vice President: CW2 Gretchen M. Pitts
Secretary: WO1 Joseph P. Lyons
Treasurer: Excused
Member: CW2 James M. Fraser
Member: CW4 Gary G. Gaffner

b. The following members were represented by proxy on file with the Chapter Secretary:

Member: CW4(Ret) Dennis A. Ahrens
Member: CW5(Ret) Paul Amacher
Member: CW5 James G. Anderson
Member: CW5 Marilyn Anderson
Member: CW3 Kevin E. Appel
Member: CW5 Frances U. Bergren-Kienlen
Member: CW3 Nickolas E. Goodwin
Member: CW5(Ret) Richard W. Hathaway
Member: CW5(Ret) Bruce J. Hedblom
Member: CW3(Ret) Donald C. Korstad
Member: CW4 Wayne M. Koski
Member: CW4(Ret) Donald Neshiem
Member: CW5 (Ret) Galene Schlosser
Member: CW3(Ret) Kenneth L. Schumann
Member: CW5 (Ret) Howard Lundin

3. **Secretary's Report:** Mr. Lyons confirmed that a quorum of chapter members were present or represented by proxy enabling the chapter to conduct official business. Copies of the Chapter Minutes for February 2009 were provided to all attendees. A motion was made by Ms. Pitts, seconded by Mr. Fraser and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as written.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Gaffner submitted the results of the financial audit to the Chapter President & Vice President for review.

5. **Membership Report:** Mr. Lyons stated that Mr. Lundin contacted national in February and received an updated roster. Our chapter now has 59 members.

6. **Committee Reports:**

a. Adopt-a-Highway: Ms. Pitts is going to take charge of this and sign the contract with MNDOT and notify everyone of the dates.

b. Memorabilia: Mr. Lundin said he had not yet contacted our previous memorabilia provider to determine if we could re-activate our previous arrangement to procure shirts., but will do so prior to next month's meeting.

c. 4-H Volunteer Event: Mr. Fraser brought up the idea of the Chapter volunteering to help the 4-H group in Scott county this summer. The 4-H group is looking for volunteers to participate in Shooting Sports & Wildlife Leader Training. Mr. Fraser passed out materials on this opportunity to the members that were present. More information can be found at www.forth.umn.edu/programs/shootingsports/. I mandatory certification class is being held on March 28/29 that volunteers must attend to participate.

7. **Unfinished Business:**

a. WO1 Lyons needs to be sworn in as the Chapter Secretary.

b. Chapter members participated in the 10 Feb 09 Red Cross Blood Drive at the 934th Airlift Wing.

8. **New Business:**

a. The Chapter President and Vice President will develop a 2009 Chapter Activity Schedule.

9. **Announcements and Discussion Items:**

a. The Chapter Vice President brought up the idea of a Chapter BBQ this coming summer.

10. **Adjournment and Next Meeting:**

a. At 12:48 a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn.

b. The next chapter meeting will be held on 16 April 2009 at 1100 HRS at Famous Dave's. Famous Dave's is located at 1930 West 7th Street, St. Paul, MN 55116.

Respectfully submitted,

s/ Joseph Lyons
JOSEPH LYONS
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Secretary