

STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

United States Army Warrant Officers Association



MINUTES MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING

28 April 2015

Fort Snelling Officers Club, St Paul, MN



1. The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Howard Lundin, President at 1811 hours at the Fort Snelling Officers Club, St. Paul, MN. Mr. Lundin led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and confirmed that a quorum was available to conduct business. Mr. Lundin confirmed that Mr. Jensen and Mr. Bendickson were excused from the meeting.

2. The following members/guests were in attendance:

CW5R Howard Lundin	President
CW2 Jessica Campbell	Secretary
CW5R Marilyn Anderson	Member
CW2 Michael Begley	Member
CW4 Robert Gunderson	Member
WO1 Bradley Lange	Member
CW2R David Nelson	Member
Linda Lewis	Guest Speaker

The following members were representative by proxy:

CW5R Lyle Fridlund	Member
Mr. Michael Surface	Associate Member

*We had one guest speaker who made a presentation on health benefits available to service members. Ms. Linda Lewis from United Healthcare a Beneficiary Education Representative, spoke on the benefits available to servicemembers, families, and retirees. She covered a wide range of topics from different types of health care plans, eligibility requirements, and timelines for coverage. Ms. Lewis' contact information is as follows:

Linda Lewis
Beneficiary Education Representative
Phone: 952-202-9050
Linda_A_Lewis@uhc.com

3. Chapter Secretary's Report:

a. The minutes from the March meeting was reviewed and accepted. A motion was made by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mr. Begley to approve the minutes as written. No one being opposed, the minutes were approved.

4. Chapter Treasurer's Report:

- a. Mr. Jensen was unable to provide an updated treasurers report due to being on TDY. An update will be provided at the prior to the next meeting.
- b. The only transaction was the deposit of the 4th quarter rebate of \$18.00 bringing the total of the accounts to \$736.68.

5. Announcements:

- a. Medals for the JROTC award ceremony are on the way. The presentation of the medals and certificates will be held May 20, 2015.
- b. There is a possibility that the 934th Officers Club will be closed and the Star of the North WOA Chapter will have to find a different meeting location. Mr. Nesheim will be attending a meeting and will report back to the chapter with what is discussed.
- c. CW3 Keith Schweitzer (MNARNG) was nominated as a mentor of the year for the 88th RSC WOA Mentor of the Year recognition.

6. Reports of Officers:

- a. Mr. Lundin provided a chapter membership update: 35 members, two renewals, one loss, and nine non-affiliated members. There has been one new member added to the chapter since the last meeting.
- b. Ms. Campbell requested the names of the cadets for adding to the certificates for the upcoming award ceremonies. She will also buy more award folios for the presentation.

7. Unfinished Business:

- a. The JROTC Award Ceremony will be held 1000 on 20 May 2015 at American Legion Post #1 in Minneapolis. Members of the chapter will present medals to JROTC awardees for various areas of military and academic excellence. A request for certificate presenters has been sent to chapter members per Mr. Lundin.
- b. A second ROTC-related event has been scheduled for 1900 on 20 May 2015 at the Saint Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights, Minnesota. A request for certificate presenters has been sent to chapter members per Mr. Lundin.

- c. The group confirmed that we will support the WOCS class at CRTC. They will be having a ruck march and picnic on July 12, 2015. August 15, 2015 is the WOCS dinner and October 25, 2015 is graduation which the chapter will also support in some fashion.
- d. The group discussed having a table at the Annual MNARNG WOPD held at Camp Ripley August 15-16, 2015. Additionally, the group hopes to support the annual golf outing event (14 August 2015).

8. New Business:

- a. It was suggested by Mr. Lundin that next year the chapter have representation at the MNARNG Officers Convention. It is typically held the last weekend in April.

9. Next Chapter meetings/events will be:

- a. Monday, May 18, 2015 - Chapter Meeting at Fort Snelling Officers Club – 1800-1900.
- b. Wednesday, May 20, 2015 – JROTC Award Ceremony at Minneapolis American Legion Post #1 – 1000.
- c. Wednesday, May 20, 2015 – Cadet Award Ceremony at Saint Thomas Academy – 1900.
- d. Monday, June 15, 2015 – Chapter Meeting at location TBD – 1800-1900.
- e. Monday, July 20, 2015 – Chapter Meeting at location TBD – 1800-1900.

10. There being no additional business at 1910, a motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Lange and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

S/ Jessica Campbell
JESSICA L. CAMPBELL
Chapter Secretary

S/ Howard Lundin
HOWARD LUNDIN
Chapter President