

STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

United States Army Warrant Officers Association



MINUTES MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING

18 May 2015

American Legion Post #435 in Richfield, Minnesota



1. The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Howard Lundin, President at 18:05 hours at the American Legion Post #435 in Richfield, Minnesota. Mr. Lundin led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and confirmed that a quorum was available to conduct business.

2. The following members/guests were in attendance:

CW5R Howard Lundin	President
CW2 Jessica Campbell	Secretary
CW2 David Bendickson	Vice President
CW4 Brent Jensen	Treasurer
CW5R Marilyn Anderson	Member
CW4R Barbara Fici	Member
CW4R Donald Nesheim	Member
CW2R David Nelson	Member

The following members were representative by proxy:

CW5R Lyle Fridlund	Member
Mr. Michael Surface	Associate Member

3. Chapter Secretary's Report:

a. The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Lundin and seconded by Mr. Nelson to approve the minutes as written. No one being opposed, the minutes were approved.

4. Chapter Treasurer's Report:

- a. Balance in checking/savings accounts as of 21 April 2015 Financial Statement: \$736.68
- b. Motion was made by Mr. Lundin and seconded by Mr. Nelson to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried and approved.

5. Announcements:

- a. Mr. Lundin mentioned that he had sent out an email to chapter members about contacting their state representatives and senators about supporting the exemption of military retiree pay from state tax.
- b. CW3 Keith Schweitzer (MNARNG) was nominated as a mentor of the year for the 88th RSC WOA Mentor of the Year recognition.
- c. Phones with screens for service members and civilians who are hard of hearing are available for free. The model is the CapTel 2400i. More info can be found at:
<http://www.captel.com/captel/2400i>

6. Reports of Officers:

- a. Mr. Lundin provided a chapter membership update: 36 members, one renewal, zero losses, and ten non-affiliated members. There have been three new members added to the chapter since the last meeting.

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.
- c. The group confirmed that we will support the WOCS class at CRTC. Mr. Bendickson will look into the details of their upcoming events so the group can support.
- 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). As of now, the event is on hold pending a budget approval at the state.

8. New Business:

- a. Mr. Nesheim and Mr. Lundin will stop in and visit John Frick (former DEERS rep at Ft. Snelling) as he has fallen very ill.
- b. Brainstorm new event ideas, in particular revenue generating events.
- c. American Legion Post #435 will be the new meeting location for now. They are receptive to us holding our meetings there and provided a private meeting room.
- d. The 2015 AMM will be in Orlando Florida and the 2016 AMM will be in Texas. Start thinking about attending now.

9. Next Chapter meetings/events will be:

- a. Monday, June 15, 2015 – American Legion Post #435 – 1800-1900.
- b. Sunday, July 12, 2015 – Ruck March and Picnic for WOCS – TBD.
- c. Monday, July 20, 2015 – American Legion Post #435 – 1800-1900.
- d. Monday, August 17, 2015 – American Legion Post #435 – 1800-1900 (in the event MNARNG WOPD does not occur)

10. There being no additional business at 19:11, a motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Nesheim and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

S/ Jessica Campbell
JESSICA L. CAMPBELL
Chapter Secretary

S/ Howard Lundin
HOWARD LUNDIN
Chapter President