

STAR OF THE NORTH CHAPTER

United States Army Warrant Officers Association



MINUTES MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING

21 September 2015

American Legion Post #435 in Richfield, Minnesota



1. The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Howard Lundin, President at 18:00 hours at the American Legion Post #435 in Richfield, Minnesota. Mr. Lundin led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance, a Prayer and confirmed that a quorum was available to conduct business.

2. The following members/guests were in attendance:

CW5R Howard Lundin	President
CW2 David Bendickson	Vice President
CW2 Jessica Campbell	Secretary
CW4 Brent Jensen	Treasurer
CW5R Lyle Fridlund	Member
CW5R Marilyn Anderson	Member
CW4 Tina Podratz	Member
CW2 Michael Begley	Member
CW4R Donald Nesheim	Member

15 additional members were represented by proxy.

3. Chapter Secretary's Report:

a. The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Neshiem 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. Balance in checking/savings accounts as of 21 September Financial Statement: \$729.68
- b. Motion was made by Mr. Begley and seconded by Mr. Fridlund to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried and approved.

5. Announcements:

- a. Mr. Lundin reminded the group the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Members was coming up in October (12-16). He encouraged everyone to fill out and mail in their proxy form.

6. Reports of Officers:

- a. Mr. Lundin provided a chapter membership update: 42 members, two new members, one renewal, zero losses, plus there are ten non-affiliated members.
- b. Mr. Lundin provided a report from the recent chapter officials' election. Re-elected officers included Mr. Jensen, Mr. Bendickson, and Ms. Campbell. Ms. Podratz was elected as the new Chapter President. All chapter officials were sworn in at the meeting.

7. Unfinished Business:

- a. Community Service events: Last year the Chapter provided volunteers for an event in November and the USMC "Toys for Tots" toy distribution in December. It was recommended that we continue the same support this year. The group decided to support "Feed My Starving Children" at the Chanhassen, Minnesota site. Mr. Bendickson stated he would make 20 reservations. The group also decided to continue "Toys for Tots" at the Eagan, Minnesota warehouse location, but Mr. Bendickson would confirm the site.

8. New Business:

- a. Ms. Podratz notified the group that the NG WOCS Graduation will be held at 10:00 on October 25th at Camp Ripley Training Center. Exact details to follow at the next meeting.
- b. Mr. Fridlund suggested a fundraising option of purchasing custom made bean toss boards with the warrant officer emblem on the boards and selling them to WOA and area warrant officers. It was suggested that a prototype be made to "test" with the warrant officers at the next Minnesota WOPD in August 2016 and generate interest for purchase by hosting a bean toss tournament during social events.

9. Next Chapter meetings/events will be:

- a. Monday, October 19, 2015 - American Legion Post #435 – 1800-1900.
- b. November 2015 – Feed My Starving Children Community Service event – Time and location TBD.
- c. December 2015 – Toys for Tots Community Service event – Time and location TBD.

10. There being no additional business at 19:15, a motion was made by Mr. Begley, seconded by Mr. Fridlund and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

S/ Jessica Campbell
JESSICA L. CAMPBELL
Chapter Secretary

S/ Howard Lundin
HOWARD LUNDIN
Chapter President