

United States Army Warrant Officers Association

FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER

- MEETING MINUTES -

MAY 14, 2012



<u>Meeting called to order</u> at 1800 hours by the President. The members rendered the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was given by CW4R Ozier. A quorum was present. The meeting was held at Cody's Beef 'N Beans.

Secretary's Report: CW2R Curtis

The minutes of the March 2012 meeting were previously presented electronically to all members. No corrections offered, motion for acceptance was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: CW4R Lindamood

As of April 30, 2012, Checking Account Balance: \$5,394.11

Motion by CW5R Baiocchetti and seconded by CW3R Huggins to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit was accepted unanimously.

President's Report: CW2R Dickinson

The Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter has been registered with the State of Arizona as a Non-Profit organization.

Vice-President's Report: CW5R Baiocchetti

- 1. Reminders have been sent to members whose membership will soon expire.
- 2. Chapter membership total is 68. Active membership is 27. Members At Large must individually ask headquarters to change from inactive to active.
- 3. Congratulations to our newest Life Member, CW3R Ron James.
- 4. Earlier today, the website manager met with the VP. The manager, Dan, will apply for a shorter name. The current name is convoluted and makes it difficult to find on web searches. Links will be interchangeable for the foreseeable future to smooth the transition.

Unfinished Business:

1. Golf Tournament: The trophies have been ordered. This year the "hole-in-one" is being sponsored by CW3R Price and CW3R Huggins. Thank you gentlemen! A new opportunity is to be given our golfers this year. A pink ball may be purchased offering one mulligan at each hole. Members are encouraged to continue to speak directly to any and/or all of the stores and businesses that we frequent.

New Business:

- 1. CW3R Ron James presented the President with a request for chapter support for the JROTC Rifle Team to purchase up-to-date equipment.
- 2. CW5R Vinnie Baiocchetti is planning to represent our chapter at the October 29th AMM. A motion was made by CW3R Blankschen for the chapter to pay for Vinnie's travel expenses up to \$1500.00. After CW3R Price's second, the motion passed unanimously.

3. The President asked for a Motion for Support of CW5R Baiocchetti to encourage the chapter membership to get behind our Vice President and make every effort humanly possible to send in their ballots on time. CW4R Ozier made the motion, CW3R James seconded, and the membership voiced unanimous consent.

Guest Speaker:

This month's special guest was LTC John Devine, USA Retired. Colonel Devine served on active duty with the Special Forces from 1962 - 1977. His topics included Japanese Ceremonial Swords, their manufacture, markings, their meanings and the Samurai of 13-18th centuries.

Good of the Order:

Bob and Joy Ozier recommended attendance at the next MOWW meeting, Saturday, 1130 hours, June 2nd. The special speakers will be members (and former members) of the submarine USS Tucson. They will have a mockup of the Tucson in the parking lot.

Adjournment:

CW5R Baiocchetti made a motion for adjournment, seconded by CW3R Blankschen. Motion passed at 1842 hours. Our next meeting will be at 1800 hours on June 4th at Metropolitan Grill.

Members Present:

CW5R Vinnie Baiocchetti

CW3R Ed Blankschen

CW2R John Curtis

CW2R Lance Dickinson

CW3R Gary Huggins

CW3R Ron James

CW4R Harold Lindamood

CW3R Al Price

CW4R Bob Ozier

Guests Present:

LTC John Devine Jean Curtis Bette Dickinson Betty Lindamood Joy Ozier

Respectfully Submitted, CW2R John Curtis Secretary