



United States Army Warrant Officers Association

FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER

- MEETING MINUTES -

JANUARY 13, 2014



Meeting called to order at 1807 hours by President CW2R Dowdney leading the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by CW4R Ozier. The meeting was held at the Old Pueblo Grill.

Secretary's Report:

Quorum requirement met; 24 members, 9 in attendance.

The minutes of the December 2013 meeting were distributed to all members electronically. There were no corrections or omissions noted.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating Account Balance as of December 31, 2013: \$4,372.03

A motion was made by CW3R Blankschen to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit, and seconded by CW4R Lindamood. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: None at this time.

Vice-President's Report: Chapter Members: 24 Active, 11 Life; 39 Affiliated

Committee Reports:

Golf Tournament: There were 83 letters mailed to previous donors. All previous golfers were sent e-mails with the Tournament Announcement including details and a registration form. The agreement with the Tucson El Conquistador will be finalized this week.

Chapter/National Awards: None at this time.

JROTC Medals: School requests have started to arrive this month. The transfer of the current balance of medals was completed between CW3R James and CW3R Blankschen. The schools who request help with downloading the Certificate are walked through the process, including asking for their students assistance.

Last year, the chapter ordered medals that were invoiced at \$2047. Due to the National JROTC publication of these medals, a doubling of demand is anticipated. Because the manufacturer gives a discount to Flowing Wells School District, CW3R Blankschen made a motion to authorize CW3R James to order a quantity of medals that would total \$2000, tax and shipping included. The motion was seconded by CW4R Ozier and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

CW5R Baiocchetti presented options of investing the chapter's CD's to obtain a reasonable return. PenFed, Vantage West and other institutions were compared and discussed. It was agreed to obtain further specifics in order to accurately compare the benefit that these institutions would provide. Because the maturity date for one of the CD's is this month, CW3R James made a motion to have the treasurer transfer the full CD amount to the operating account until a suitable investment option is decided upon by the membership. CW4R Ozier seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. The Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter has been invited to participate in the Retirement Appreciation Day at Davis-Monthan Airforce Base on February 5th. While assisting the organization with passing out their information, we are authorized to present information concerning the US Army Warrant Officer Association and our chapter. The volunteers to participate this year are CW4R Harold Lindamood and CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti. They will man their post between 0900 and 1500 hours.
2. The membership authorized CW5R Baiocchetti to contract, expend, invoice and be reimbursed for any Golf Tournament expenses necessary without receiving advance dollar specific authorization.

For the Good of the Order:

Birthdays in January: Ted Cogut, 86 (also celebrating 68 years of marriage to Marie)

Birthdays in February: Craig Dowdney, 52; Ron James, ??; Dave Koch, ??

The next meeting of the Chapter will be at 1800 hours on February 10th at the Metropolitan Grill.

The benediction was given by CW3R Schmid.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn at 1927 hours made by CW5R Baiocchetti, seconded by CW3R Ozier, unanimously accepted.

Members Present:

CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti

CW3R Ed Blankschen

CW2R Ted Cogut

CW2R John Curtis

CW2R Craig Dowdney

CW3R Ron James

CW3R Lindy Lindamood

CW4R Bob Ozier

CW3R Art Schmid

Guests Present:

Jean Curtis

Donna Dowdney

Betty Lindamood

Joy Ozier

Jean Schmid

Respectfully submitted,

CW2R John Curtis

Secretary