



United States Army Warrant Officers Association

## **FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER**

### **- MEETING MINUTES -**

***APRIL 14, 2014***



**Meeting called to order** at 1800 hours by President CW2R Dowdney leading the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by CW4R Ozier. The meeting was held at U Like Oriental Buffet.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Quorum requirement met; 24 members, 9 in attendance.

The electronically published March 2014 minutes, having no corrections or omissions noted, were approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Operating Account Balance as of March 31, 2014: \$11,770.31

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

**President's Report:** No report at this time.

**Vice-President's Report:** No report at this time.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Golf Tournament:** CW5 Baiocchetti provided the final totals for the income, expenses and balance derived from the April 19, 2014 Tournament. Some differences in turnout, venue operation, and golfers' reactions between former years and this year were highlighted, discussed and noted. Overall, the consensus reached was that the positives outweighed the negatives. The volunteers (Art and Jean Schmid, Al and Marsha Price, Craig and Donna Dowdney, Jim and Jeanne Montague, John and Jean Curtis) superb efforts and offering of their personal time was noted by Ron James, who oversaw the entire operation.

**Chapter/National Awards:** No report at this time.

**JROTC Medals:** CW3R Blankschen stated that his duties of communication, payment processing, inventory accountability, packaging and shipping have required an average of 6 hours per week since January 2014.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

CW5R Baiocchetti informed us that our PenFed account application is still under review. A letter was mailed to the Virginia CEO asking for expedited handling.

#### **New Business:**

CW3R James suggested that our chapter should send letters to the JROTC SAI's of Flowing Wells, Cholla, and Rio Rico High Schools early in the school year. This would be a reminder of our chapter support for their student's Awards as well as a reminder of our Scholarship Application process.

CW2R Dowdney proposed that the chapter members create some alternative fundraising ideas. One suggestion was for online throughput sales of memorabilia. Perhaps a derivative of our distinctive medal that could be marketed through our constantly growing JROTC database. Another proposal was marketing a jacket or sweatshirt with the Warrant insignia or a unique Arizona/Tucson emblem.

**For the Good of the Order:**

Birthdays: April 5<sup>th</sup> – Al Price

The benediction was given by CW3R Schmid.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn at 1945 hours made by CW3R Blankschen, seconded by CW3R James, unanimously accepted.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be at 1800 hours on May 12th at the Metropolitan Grill.

**Members Present:**

CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti  
CW3R Ed Blankschen  
CW2R John Curtis  
CW2R Craig Dowdney  
CW3R Ron James  
CW4R Bob Ozier  
CW3R Art Schmid

**Guests Present:**

Jean Curtis  
Joy Ozier  
Jean Schmid

Respectfully submitted,  
CW2R John Curtis  
Secretary