

United States Army Warrant Officers Association

FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER

- MEETING MINUTES -

OCTOBER 8, 2018



<u>Meeting called to order</u> at 1800 hours by President Dowdney who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Ozier provided the Invocation. The Secretary verified a quorum was met.

Secretary's Report:

The September 10, 2018 minutes were read to members present.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating Account Balance as of September 30, 2018: \$7,515.90

The Scholarship Fund reserves account for \$2,000.00

Motion to accept was made by CW3R Al Price, seconded by CW4R Robert Ozier, accepted unanimously.

President's Report: No Report

Vice-President's Report: No Report

Committee Reports:

Chapter/National Awards: No Report

JROTC Medals: Inventory good. Process normal.

Unfinished Business:

The chapter President, Treasurer and Secretary will meet at JPMorgan Chase Bank to record signatures for the operational account.

The President opened nominations for the offices of President and Vice President. CW3R Ron James made a motion nominating CW2R Craig Dowdney for President, CW2R John Curtis seconded the nomination, all present unanimously approved. CW4R Harold Lindamood made a motion nominating WO1 Noel Cavazos for Vice President, CW3R Ron James seconded the nomination, all present unanimously approved. CW3R Ron James made a motion to close the nominations and CW4R Harold Lindamood seconded his motion. However, the President stated that the nominations must remain open through the November meeting per Chapter By-laws.

New Business: None

President Dowdney asked CW3R Ron James to introduce our guest speaker. Mr. Richard Robbins, was asked to speak to our chapter members and guests. He is the Board President and Coordinator of **Honor Flight of Southern Arizona**.

Mr. Robbins said there are a total of 143 hubs across the U.S. Since its establishment in 2006, Honor Flight has been responsible for transporting 750,000 veterans to Washington, D.C. The southern Arizona hub has refined their flights to leave "early" Saturday mornings, tour D.C. on Sundays and return Monday evenings. This schedule allows for a full night's sleep Saturday in Alexandria before completing a very full day of touring the

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National Memorials on Sunday. And following a restfull night's sleep, returning all veterans to Tucson International Airport Monday evening to a "Welcome Home" celebration.

Due to this summer's extended rainy season, the next flight scheduled was postponed until May with a charter flight for 150 veterans. May 2019's flight will continue to be routed through Dallas and destined for Baltimore. Mr. Robbins explained that all World War II applicants have been honored and Korea War veterans who have applied are being so honored. Vietnam War veterans should also apply now for upcoming flights.

Not only are Korean and Vietnam veterans encouraged to apply to https://honorflightsaz.org/, but so should any person who wishes to be a "guardian". Our President thanked Mr. Robbins and presented him with a Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter mug in recognition for his excellent presentation and service to all veterans.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 1920 hours made by CW3R Price, seconded by CW4R Ozier was unanimously accepted.

For the Good of the Order:

The Catalina Chapter of the Military Order of World Wars will hold their "Massing of the Colors" and "Service of Remembrance" at 2:00pm on November 4th at the Tucson Woman's Club, 6245 E. Bellevue Street. All veterans, family and friends are invited. Uniform is not required, however appropriate civilian attire is recommended.

The next meeting will be held November 12th at Mimi's.

Members Present:	Guests	Present

CW2R John Curtis

CW2R Craig Dowdney

CW3R Ron James

CW4R Harold "Lindy" Lindamood

CW4R Robert Ozier

CW3R Al Price

Mrs. Eileen Biaocchetti

Mrs. Jean Curtis

Mrs. Donna Dowdney

Mrs. Betty Lindamood

Mrs. Joy Ozier

Mrs. Marsha Price

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Mr. Norm James

Mr. Hayden James

Total Active Chapter membership = 59; Chapter Member (non-officer) signed proxies = 13

Respectfully Submitted,

CW2R John Curtis CW2R Craig Dowdney

Secretary President