



United States Army Warrant Officers Association
FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER



- MEETING MINUTES -

APRIL 9, 2018

Meeting called to order at 1800 hours by CW2R Craig Dowdney who led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by CW4 Ozier. The Secretary verified a quorum was met.

Guest Speaker:

Ben Buehler-Garcia spoke of his Tucson history with the University of Arizona and various military organizations. After introducing us to his current passion of hosting the “American Warrior Radio”, Ben explained that because he never served in the military, he considers it his duty to support those who do. That eventually led him to take over the American Warrior weekly radio show when the program’s founder passed away.

He described the creation of American Warrior Radio by local media icon Dave Sitton. Dave wanted to be a Marine but injured his shoulder playing baseball at U of A. Then there were stories about being the Honorary Commander of Davis Monthan AFB, working with/for Lt. General Robin Rand. His prior experience as a Firefighter as well as being on the Board of the Industrial Development Authority of Tucson gave him opportunities to make valuable contacts within the greater Tucson community. Ben volunteers with various Military charities such as the USS Tucson 770 Club, the Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve, the 9/11 Tower Challenge Foundation and the Tucson Community Cares Foundation.

His conclusion emphasized that Ben is a citizen who is proud to support the military men and women of the US Military. The President presented Mr. Buehler-Garcia with a Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter mug in appreciation for his military support.

Secretary's Report:

The March 12, 2018 minutes were read to members present. Motion to accept made by CW3R Turner, seconded by CW4R Ozier, accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating Account Balance as of March 31, 2018: \$12,157.87

The Scholarship Fund reserves account for \$2,000.00

Motion to accept was made by CW3R Turner, seconded by CW3R James, accepted unanimously.

President's Report: No Report

Vice-President's Report: No Report

Committee Reports:

Chapter/National Awards: No Report

JROTC Medals: Sales are doing very well. There is a sufficient inventory to complete the anticipated orders to the end of the current school year.

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Unfinished Business:

A discussion continued concerning the possibilities of a chapter website that allows online purchase of our JROTC medals.

There is the lingering matter of changing signature parties and addresses with the PenFed Credit Union. The secretary will obtain the President and Treasurer's information, complete the provided form and submit as soon as possible.

New Business:

CW3R Michael Turner presented a USAWOA 100 Year Medallion to the Ft Lowell-Apache Chapter.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 1906 hours made by CW4R Lindamood, seconded by CW3R James was unanimously accepted.

For the Good of the Order:

The next meeting will be held May 14th at Mimi's.

Members Present:

CW2R John Curtis
CW2R Craig Dowdney
CW5R Lyle Fridlund
CW3R Ron James
CW4R Harold Lindamood
CW4R Robert Ozier
CW3R Michael Turner

Guests Present

Mrs. Jean Curtis
Mrs. Donna Dowdney
Mrs. Chris Fridlund
Mrs. Betty Lindamood
Mrs. Joy Ozier

Total Active Chapter membership = 60; Chapter Member (non-officer) signed proxies = 13

Respectfully Submitted,

CW2R John Curtis
Secretary

CW2R Craig Dowdney
President