



United States Army Warrant Officers Association  
Fort Hood Silver Chapter  
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USAWOA-FTHOOD

25 OCT 2007

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting, USAWOA, Fort Hood Silver Chapter, 25 OCT 2007

1. **Call to Order:** A quorum was verified and President Michael Gamble called the meeting to order at 1205 hrs. Total present 35.
2. **Opening Ceremony.**
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance: Recited
  - b. Welcome visitors and recognize first time attendees: The President recognized CW4 Tane Cotton, W01 David Temple, W01 Lester Charles, CW2 Richard Montoya, W01 Christopher Durbin, W01 Eutimo Reyna, CW4 Ahmad Peay, W01 Michael McCall and CW5 Teresa Czuhajewski.
  - c. Recognize those deserving special recognition: W01 Reyna announced his redeployment from Iraq. W01 Durbin, W01 Brooke Finkenbinder and W01 Charles announced their recent graduation of the WOBC. CW4 Kevin Williams announced his recent graduation from the WOSC.
  - d. Recognize those in distress: None
3. **Secretary Report:** 18 September Minutes were approved.
4. **Treasurer Report:** Mr. Michael Weist reports the following: Beginning balance as of 01 September 2007; Bank checking account (\$5211.51), petty cash (\$25.00), and memorabilia value (\$581.50), total \$5818.01. Monthly debits included bonding insurance check #1159 (-\$101.00) and plaques for past BOD check #1160 (-\$132.06), debit total of -\$233.06. Monthly credits included WOA rebate check #16256 (\$39.50). Ending balance as of 30 September 2007; Bank checking account (\$5017.95), petty cash (\$25.00), and memorabilia value (\$ 581.50), overall total of \$5624.45, Approved.

## 5. President Report:

- a. The AMM (Annual Meeting of Members) convened 15-20 October in San Antonio Texas. CW5 Michael Weist, CW5 Albert Bamsch, CW4 Michael Gamble and CW3 James Davis attended the AMM. Mr. Weist briefed the Chapter on the events that occurred at the AMM.
- b. The Fort Hood Silver Chapter was presented with a guidon streamer for over 35 years existence as a USAWOA Chapter. President Michael Gamble and CW5 Albert Bamsch officially attached the guidon streamer to the Silver Chapter's guidon.
- c. A Professional Development Brief covering the Warrant Officer Accession Board Process was presented by CW3 Marsh Kelly-Evans. The presentation was conducted at the Patton's Inn. The presentation connected 16 warrant officer candidates with eight warrant officer mentors.
- d. Our Mid South Region Director, CW4 Candice Martin's son, a US Army Active duty Lieutenant, was killed in Iraq this month. The President recommended we express our condolence as a Chapter by making a financial donation in her son's honor.
- e. The Chapter should plan a Thanksgiving and Christmas season event. Lets decide if we will conduct an event (dinner or gift exchange) for Chapter members or an event (turkey give away or purchase toys for a poor family/kids) to support or local community.

Comment [M1]:

## 6. Vice President Report: none

## 7. Committee Report:

- a. **Entertainment Committee;** planned social event at the Patton's Inn
- b. **Scholarship and Sponsorship Committee;** none
- c. **Membership Committee;** none
- d. **Welfare Committee;** announced the Chapter has donated over 110 hours in support of Habitat for Humanity.
- e. **Recruitment and Mentorship Committee;** announced mentorship support for PD brief.
- f. **Retiree and Veterans Affairs Committee;** none
- g. **Website Committee;** announced website updates
- h. **Memorabilia Committee;** raffled a sweat shirt
- i. **Professional Development Committee;** coordinated the PD brief
- j. **Historian;** none

## 8. Unfinished Business:

- a. Ms. Johngeline Abernathy motioned to support Habitat for Humanity. The project started on 18 Aug 2007 and will last twelve weeks; seconded by Mr. Herbert Gately. The Chapter will volunteer by individual and group effort for Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Mike Weist will recommend which weekends group effort should participate. The Welfare Committee will maintain a list of personnel and their time volunteered in support of Habitat for Humanity. A vote was taken, eight volunteered for group effort, thirteen volunteered for individual effort.
- b. W01 Robert Hunter motioned to move Chapter meeting to the Sportsmen's Club Outdoor Gazebo to accommodate overcrowded meetings; motioned seconded by CW5 Michael Weist; motioned carried. CW3 James Davis motioned to lay on the table moving the Chapter meeting to the Sportsmen's Club Outdoor Gazebo for a further discussion as unfinished business; motioned seconded by Mr. Willie Morris; motioned carried. The Chapter discussed an alternate Chapter meeting location. CW3 Roy Rucker motioned to lay matter on the table to discuss later as old business. Motioned seconded by CW3 John Cheek.
- c. CW2 Nelson Justice motioned that the Chapter purchase a new banner to be displayed during special events; motioned seconded by Mr. Herbert Gately; motion carried. CW2 Justice was instructed to explore/present the Chapter with the cost of a new banner before funds are obligated. Motioned made by W01 Lopez to provide the Chapter with more information on the banner. Motioned seconded by W01 Durbin.

**8. New Business:**

- a. W01 Brooke Finkenbinder motioned to conduct the next Trash-off on 8 December; motion seconded by CW3 Robin Shilling.
- b. CW3 James Davis motioned to donate \$150 in honor of 1LT Tom Martin, the WOA South Region Director's son; motioned seconded by CW3 Roy Rucker.
- c. CW3 James Davis motioned to donate \$250 for a USAWOA memorial to be placed in a new Veteran's museum to be built in Washington DC; motioned seconded by CW2 Shealeana Stewart.
- d. Mr. Ed Hays motioned to that the Chapter visit/support Veteran's nursing homes for during the Christmas season; motioned seconded by CW2 Shealeana Stewart.

**9. Announcements:**

- a. Don't forget the PD brief at the Patton's Inn starting at 1600 hrs.
- b. Next Chapter Meeting is scheduled for 15 November at Sportsman's Center.
- c. Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 12 November at Sportsman's Center.

**10. Adjournment:** Chapter President adjourned meeting at 1303 hrs, after all Chapter business was completed.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

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Secretary  
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