



LORD FAIRFAX “SILVER” CHAPTER
United States Army Warrant Officers Association
462 Herndon Parkway, Suite 207, Herndon, VA 20170-5235

17 JANUARY 2018

Call to Order: President CW4(R) John Scott presided over the meeting and called it to order at 1635 hours on 17 January 2018, at the Ft. Belvoir Golf Club. A quorum was confirmed as being present or represented by proxy.

President: CW4(R) John Scott

Vice-President: CW5 Jon Huntington

Secretary: CW5 Alana M. Kolcun

Treasurer: CW5(R) Richard “Dick” Markle

Ways and Means: CW5(R) Ron McLendon

Secretary’s Report: The Secretary’s Report for the 18 November 2017 meeting was read and reviewed by each of the members present. It was motioned by CW5(R) Dick Markle and seconded by CW5 Jon Huntington that the meeting minutes be accepted and passed on to record, subject to any necessary corrections. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record. A meeting was not held in December.

Treasurer’s Report: The 15 January 2018 Treasurer’s Report was reported to the members present. CW5(R) Dick Markle reported holiday income (\$450) and expenditures (\$1,100). CW5 Alana Kolcun made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CW3(R) Helen Pennington. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record.

Committee Reports:

1. **Adopt-a-Highway:** The project coordinator, CW5(R) Dick Markle, reported that on 18 November he and Alana Kolcun participated in Adopt-a-Highway cleanup. The stretch along Route 286 from I-95 to Route 1 was completed, resulting in four and a half hours of volunteer work and seven bags of trash. Dick made note that our Adopt-a-Highway sign closest to Route 1 has not yet been replaced after multiple emails to VDOT. The next cleanup will be on 24 February (weather permitting).

2. **WOPD Luncheon:** CW5 Jon Huntington reported that an incoming Army Reserve CCWO has not been appointed by LG Luckey and CW5 Russell Smith is unavailable to speak at the February WOPD Luncheon. CW5 Huntington will reach out to CW5 Carla Russell to see if she is available to be a guest speaker. The luncheon will be either 15 or 22 February 2018 at the Ft Belvoir Officer’s Club in the Jefferson Room pending room and speaker availability. CW5 Huntington will determine if the event will be a go or no go in the next couple days based on speaker availability. CW3(R) Helen Pennington will check

on a potential speaker from the White House Communication Agency for the next WOPD.

3. Officer Elections: CW5(R) Ron McLendon provided a sample letter and ballot for the 2018 elections. The letter contains the election timeline on the reverse side. Two emails have been sent soliciting nominations. No responses have been received thus far. Bios of those interested in running for office are due NLT 15 March 2018. CW5(R) Ron McLendon will need a current Chapter roster come March.

4. Membership, Recruiting and Retention: CW4(R) John Scott reported that he received the list from National of those members pending renewal. He is continuing his efforts to reach out to members.

Awards: NTR

President's Report: CW4(R) John Scott reported that membership remains status quo.

Vice President's Report: CW5(R) Jon Huntington presented the Chapter with the "2017 Best Web Page" streamer from National. Many thanks to CW3 William Cassada for maintaining our webpage. The streamer was hung at the end of the Chapter meeting.

Old/Unfinished Business:

1. Holiday season charitable activities update: CW5(R) Dick Markle provided a summary of the LFSC 2017 Holiday Giving Program on the reverse side of the Treasure's Report. The Chapter donated to three organizations.

--Metro USO - Project Elf (Sponsored five kids and AAFES gift cards)

--Ft. Meyer ACS - Holiday Toy Program (AAFES and Commissary gift cards)

--Ft. Belvoir ACS - Operation Sugarplum (AAFES and Commissary gift cards)

The following individuals provided gifts and or monetary donations to support the program: Jon Huntington, John Scott, Eddie & Betty Mallard, Ron McLendon, Dick Markle, Alana Kolcun, Jean Dyer, Bill Andrews, and Bruce Gardner.

A thank you letter has been received from Ft. Belvoir ACS.

2. Funeral for Frank Dyer, CW5 (Ret) - 02 Feb 2018. (1 pm in the old post chapel at Ft Myer). Dick Markle will send a reminder email when more details are available.

3. Spotlight article - Warrant Officer of the Quarter: CW5(R) Ron McLendon drafted the first spotlight article which was posted to the Chapter webpage in December. Check out the article at: <http://www.usawoalordfairfax.org/2017-dec.html>. CW5(R) Ron McLendon is the Committee Chairman for Spotlight articles.

New Business:

1. 100th Anniversary of the Warrant Officer Cohort. CW2 Lashonda Pringle was unable to make the Chapter meeting as originally planned. She had intended to provide information on the 100th WO Anniversary Ball to be hosted by INSCOM WOs on 13 July 18. CW4(R) John Scott will reach out CW2 Pringle to see how the Chapter can partner with INSCOM on WO Birthday events. CW3(R) Helen Pennington noted that LTC Tomlinson, Ft. Belvoir Garrison Commander, holds a monthly garrison meeting. She suggested that we attend to make the Chapter presence known. No other planning was accomplished for 2018 WO Birthday events.

2. CW5(R) Dick Markle reminded the Chapter of Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA) on 28 April 18. Tom Pagano, Alana Kolcun and Helen Pennington are all interested in participating. CW5(R) Dick Markle made a motion to donate \$250 to RTA and the motion was seconded by CW3(R) Helen Pennington will all present in favor.

3. CW4(R) John Scott made a motion to have an appreciation event (luncheon/dinner) sponsored by the Chapter for the 20 or so Chapter members that always volunteer/contribute to the Chapter. The motion was seconded by CW5 Alana Kolcun with all present in favor. Details of the event (April/May timeframe) are to be determined. CW4(R) Scott requests a list of the 20 members by 15 February.

Announcements: The next chapter meeting will be held on 21 March 2018, at 1630hr at the Ft. Belvoir Golf Club. There will not be a Chapter meeting in February.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by CW5(R) Dick Markle and seconded by CW5(R) Ron McLendon and the meeting was adjourned at 1745 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

Alana M. Kolcun
CW5, USAR
Secretary

Approved:

John A. Scott
CW4(R), USAR
Chapter President

Members Present:

CW4(R) John Scott
CW5 Jon Huntington
CW5 Alana Kolcun
CW5(R) Richard "Dick" Markle
CW5(R) Ron McLendon
CW3(R) Helen Pennington
CW2 Michael Robinson