

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

19 APRIL 2017

**Call to Order:** President CW4 John Scott presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 1636 hours on 19 April 2017, at the Fort Belvoir USO. A quorum was confirmed as being present or represented by proxy.

President: CW4 John Scott

Vice-President: CW5 Jon Huntington (excused)

Secretary: CW5 Alana M. Kolcun

Treasurer: CW5(R) Richard "Dick" Markle

Ways and Means: CW5(R) Ron McLendon (excused)

The Pledge of Allegiance: Said by all, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen comrades.

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary's Report for the 15 February meeting was read by each of the members present. It was motioned by CW5(R) Dick Markle and seconded by CW4 John Scott 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 chapter meeting was not held in March.

**Treasurer's Report:** The 15 April 2017 Treasurer's Report was read by each of the members present. CW5(R) Dick Markle gave a summary of income and expenditures. The Chapter is in a good financial position with no outstanding obligations. CW5 Alana Kolcun made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CW4 John Scott. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record.

### **Committee Reports:**

**1.** <u>Adopt-a-Highway:</u> The project coordinator, CW5(R) Markle, reported on the March highway cleanup. Together Dick Markle and Ed Clayton conducted highway cleanup from Route 1 to I95 on 18 & 25 March, picking up eight bags on the 18<sup>th</sup> and then an additional nine bags of trash on the 25th. Together they volunteered 12 hours of their time. CW5(R) Markle is tentatively projecting the next clean up to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May, the week before Memorial Day, 20 May 2017. Participants will meet at 0900 across from the John Mosby Reserve Center, 8831 John J Kingman Rd, Bldg. 2470 Fort Belvoir, VA 22060 for a quick safety brief.

2. Ways and Means: NTR

Awards: NTR

<u>Membership, Recruiting and Retention</u>: CW4 John Scott reported that he's reaching out to those he encounters.

# President's Report: NTR

# Vice President's Report: NTR

# Old/Unfinished Business:

1. Establish a 2017 calendar of Social and Fund Raising events.

**2.** Chapter Website: CW3 William Cassada report that logins have been transferred to him from CW3 Hamm. The annual cost of the page is approximated \$80. CW3 Cassada will find out when the next annual payment is due. CW3 Cassada has old chapter website from Mike Danberry should we need to retrieve any information from it. CW5 Kolcun recommended that we add the Chapter minutes to the site.

**3.** Retiree appreciation luncheon or cocktail reception event. A Saturday afternoon from 2-4pm was suggested for the event. Fiona's Pub in Kingstown (Alexandria) was suggested by CW5(R) Markle who will check in on availability. No further decisions were made.

# **4.** WOW 2017 Events:

- <u>3<sup>™</sup> Annual Golf Tournament, Thursday 22 June:</u> CW5(R) Dick Markle reported that there are no sign-ups as of yet. Information concerning the tournament has been posted in the golf course and in the Ft. Belvoir Eagle. The event GO/No-GO cutoff date is 15 June 17.
- <u>WO Birthday Cake Cutting, Friday 7 July:</u> CW4 John Scott confirmed the USO room reservation for 7 July 17. Time is to be confirmed. CW4 Scott reported that he invited CW4(R) Jack Du Teil, CW5 Russell Smith USAR CCWO, CW4 Vickie Carriaga, Northeastern Regional Director and Dr. Gordon Sumner Army Reserve Ambassador. A guest speaker has not been identified so each of them could potentially speak.
- <u>Chapter Picnic/5K Run:</u> CW4 John Scott reported that CW5 Jon Huntington sent in an application and check for the fun run/picnic site: Pohick State Park off of Route 1. The run route is to be worked out and the menu will be the same as last year.

### New Business:

**1.** Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA), Saturday 29 April: CW5(R) Dick Markle, Chairman, reported that 6-7 volunteers have signed up. Work to be accomplished on the 29<sup>th</sup> includes building a new ramp, fixing a dining room ceiling, installing a door sweep, replacing a mini blind, and installing a GFCI socket.

2. Spring Car Wash – May timeframe: Date and time is TBD. CW4 Scott reported we're unable to utilize our previous car wash location (Reserve Center on Gunston and Goethals Rd) as the new Commander isn't comfortable with approving a car wash at his location. Additionally the 99<sup>th</sup> RSC said we couldn't use soap. The National Guard Center on Ft Belvoir is being looked into as an alternate location.

**3.** Chapter support to the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Members (AMM), 4-7 October 2017, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington D.C.: CW4 Scott reported that he and CW5 Huntington had lunch with Jack Du Teil a couple weeks ago to discuss what was needed from the Chapter. Approximately 3-4 people a day (~12 total) are needed to escort members from the hotel (Crystal City Marriott) to the metro and to change out name plates on the tables. CW5(R) Dick Markle will send out a notice to the members requesting volunteers.

**4.** Professional Development Day: CW4 John Scott recommended a financial brief in preparation for retirement and the new Blended Retirement System. The brief will take place in lieu of a Chapter meeting in August. CW3 Williams had a similar brief at her past chapter and reported that it had a good turnout. Where and when is TBD. CW3 Williams mentioned the auditorium at DLA, however, parking is poor.

**5.** Armed Forces Retirement Home – Casino Night, Friday, 28 July: CW5(R) Dick Markle mentioned the upcoming Casino Night and motioned to donate \$250 to the event. The motion was seconded by CW5 Alana Kolcun and approved by a majority vote with one abstention.

**6.** CW5(R) Dick Markle mentioned the passing of CW5 (Ret) Frank Dyer in March of 2017. CW5 Dyer was an active member of the Chapter, participating in car wash fund raisers and more. He will be missed dearly. CW5 Dyer's internment at Arlington is TBD. Dick mentioned that we should post his obit on our Chapter website. http://www.millerfuneralhome.net/NEW-current-services/FrankDyerSr..html

**Announcements:** The next chapter meeting will be held on 17 May 2017, at 1630hr at the Fort Belvoir USO, Warrior and Family Center, 5940 9th St., Fort Belvoir, VA 22060.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn by CW5 Alana Kolcun and seconded by CW5(R) Dick Markle and the meeting was adjourned at 1736 hours.

**Respectfully submitted:** 

Alana M. Kolcun CW5, USAR Secretary Approved:

John A. Scott CW4, USAR Chapter President

#### **Members Present:**

CW4 John Scott CW5 Alana Kolcun CW5(R) Richard "Dick" Markle CW3 Will Cassada CW4 Carlton Darby CW3 Laureen Williams CWO(R) Helen Pennington