

32nd USAWOA ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS (2004)

Business Meeting Minutes

MONDAY, October 11, 2004 (Columbus Day)

Golf Tournament

Goose Creek Golf Club

Nine Individuals attended the Golf Tournament, the weather was ideal! The tournament included a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards. All three (threesomes) were winners!

Registration

The USAWOA home office staff conducted the in processing and registration of the AMM participants.

President's Welcome Reception

President CW5 Frank Meeks welcomed those present with light finger snacks and a no host bar.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

Welcome by the USAWOA President

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Members was called to order by President CW5 Frank Meeks at 0903. CW5 Frank Meeks asked CW4 (Ret) Percy Butler lead those present I the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Invocation

CW4 Ida Tyree-Hyche offered the invocation.

Introduction of the host region and chapter key people, and administrative announcements

Mr. CW5 Frank Meeks then asked the Northeast Region Director CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill. CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill addressed the group with administrative announcements.

Introduction of Annual Meeting Attendees

CW5 Frank Meeks asked everyone to stand and tell the group their name and where they are from.

Parliamentarian's Report Concerning General Rules and Procedures of the Meeting

CW4 (Ret) Bob Scott Preliminary instructions were presented to the members on how the meeting will be conducted by Robert's Rules of Order and the USAWOA Operations Manual 500-4. CW4 (Ret) Bob Scott will brief the voting procedures just prior to the actual voting on Friday.

Mr. CW5 Frank Meeks read aloud a letter from CW4 (Ret) Don Hess, President Emeritus which addressed his regrets for missing this meeting, the first in 32 years, due to other obligations.

Credentials Committee report – confirmation of a quorum CW2 (Ret) Tom Cronin

Votes on the Floor 45

Proxies 652

Invalid proxies is 12

Total votes on the floor is 595

Mr. Cronin reported to the presiding officer that we had a quorum.

Reports from the Association Leadership

Report of the Association President

CW5 Franklin D. Meeks

See Report attached.

Report of the Association Vice President

CW4 (Ret) Roy Valiant

See Report attached.

Treasurer	CW2 (Ret) Gerry Wentworth
See Report attached.	
European Region President	CW3 (Ret) Bud Colburn
See Report attached.	
Southeastern Region Director	CW3 (Ret) Gene Perrino
See Report attached.	
Western Region Director	CW3 (P) Farrell Chiles
See Report attached.	
Mid-Southern Region Director	CW5 (Ret) Joe Diaz
See Report attached.	
Mid-Northern Region Director	CW5 Phil Tackett
See Report attached.	
Northeastern Region Director	CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill
See Report attached.	
Report of Chapter Presidents/designated representatives	
Verbal reports were submitted by the following chapters and individuals	
Crater Chapter	CW5 Jim Tolbert
Sunshine Chapter	CW4 Bob Lee
Ft Bragg Silver Chapter	CW5 Bryan Lauzon
Cornhusker Chapter	CW4 Candis Martin
Lone Star Chapter	CW4 Candis Martin
Arlington Hall Minuteman Chapter	CW5 John Hinkle
Arizona Silver Chapter	CW5 Don Marquis
Southern California Chapter	CW4 (Ret) Harry Wilson
Ocean State Chapter	CW5 George Wilkins
Doughboy Chapter	CW5 Al Curving
Lord Fairfax Silver Chapter	CW2 Pat Morris
Fort Lowell Apache Chapter	CW5 (Ret) Vincent Baiochetti
Assistant Vice President for Army National Guard	CW5 (Ret) Howard Haider
See Report attached	
Assistant Vice President for Army Reserve	CW4 Ida Tyree-Hyche
See Report attached.	
Assistant Vice President for Retiree Affairs	CW4 (Ret) Percy Butler
See Report attached.	

Reports Dealing with Association Management:

Executive Director Update	CW4 (Ret) Robert D. Scott
See Report attached.	
Report on actions arising from 2003 and other open actions. Exec. Dir	
See Report attached.	

Reports Dealing with Future AMM Locations:

Report on the 2005 Annual Meeting	CW5 (Ret) Vincent Baiochetti
See Report attached.	
Reports on potential Annual Meeting locations, 2006 and beyond	

Mr. CW5 Frank Meeks announced that he would like to recognize CW3 (Ret) Gene Perrino, SE Reg Dir. CW3 (Ret) Gene Perrino requested several alibis and amended his State of the Region comments remarks due forgetting stuff. CW3 (Ret) Gene Perrino then requested CW4 (Ret) Bob Lee to advance and address the members. CW4 (Ret) Bob Lee would like to host the 2006 in mid October in the Tampa Bay/Clearwater/St Petersburg region of Florida. This meeting would be hosted by the SE Reg with the 555 members of the Sunshine Chapter being the spearhead planning chapter. More details would follow.

CW5 Frank Meeks requested for suggestions from any others for 2006. None were announced. He then asked for suggestions for 2007. CW4 Candy Martin suggested San Antonio, Texas.

CW5 Frank Meeks asked for a second to the motion to hold the 2006 AMM in Florida hosted by SE Reg. CW5 Phil Tackett seconded the motion. CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill moved to table the motion until we have the appropriate votes to vote on the motion.

Heritage Foundation Update See Report attached.	CW5 (Ret) Dave Welsh
Scholarship Foundation Update See Report attached.	CW4 (Ret) Robert D. Scott
Corporate Members Report	CW5 (Ret) Nelson Graham

CW5 (Ret) Nelson Graham showed a short film that described the company and uses for AAR, Mobility Systems Division products.

Recess

CW5 Frank Meeks recessed the body until 0900 on Wednesday.
1830 – 2100 Hospitality Suite

Room 201

WEDNESDAY, October 13

Call to order – Reconvene Business Meeting

At 0903 CW5 Frank Meeks called the body into session.

Pledge of Allegiance.

CW5 Frank Meeks lead the assembled members in the Pledge of Alliance
Invocation.

CW5 Frank Meeks asked Mr. Percy Butler to lead us in prayer.

Administrative Announcements

CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill addressed several concerns for the good of the members.

Credentials Committee report – confirmation of a quorum CW2 (Ret) Tom Cronin

Votes on the Floor 45

Proxies 701

Invalid proxies is 12

Total votes on the floor is 646

CW2 (Ret) Tom Cronin reported to the presiding officer that we have a quorum.

Review and Approve Day One Minutes

CW5 Frank Meeks announced that he will defer the minutes for days one and two of the AMM to Friday to be voted on during the voting session.

Introduction of Focus Group Topics

See attached subjects.

Presentation of the topics; explanation of the purpose of the focus group process; and desired goals of the focus group work.

CW5 Frank Meeks addressed the focus group topics that were on the table at last year's meeting to both give an update on actions on each of them and to demonstrate how the process works.

Introduction of Group Leaders and Assignment of Members to Focus Groups

CW5 Frank Meeks identified the subjects that have been selected for 2004 AMM focus group topics and at the same time the suggested group memberships with group leaders.

Deliberations by Focus Groups

President CW5 Frank Meeks described where each group will meet and then declared the meeting to break into the assigned ad hoc subcommittees until 1500 hours.

Recess

CW5 Frank Meeks checked the progress of each of the focus groups and then reminded everyone about the Professional Development seminar activities on Thursday. He then recessed the body until 0900 on Friday.

Hospitality Suite

Northeast Region Host

THURSDAY, October 14

Professional Development Presentations

ARNG Readiness Ctr.

See medium copied from the speaker's agenda. 95 were in attendance.

Tour of Charlestown, WV

FRIDAY October 15

Call to order – Reconvene Business Meeting

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Pledge of Allegiance

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Credentials Committee report – confirmation of a quorum CW2 (Ret) Tom Cronin

Votes on the Floor 43

Proxies 785

Invalid proxies is 22

Total votes on the floor is 806

CW2 (Ret) Tom Cronin reported to the presiding officer that we had a quorum.

Review and Approve Day Two Minutes

CW4 Gary Nisker presented the minutes for the 2004 AMM up to the beginning of the business processes on Friday 15 October 2004. CW5 (Ret) Ray Bell moved to except the minutes as submitted and corrected. The motion was seconded by CW5 (Ret) Vincent Baiochetti. Motion passed unanimously.

Parliamentarian's report concerning floor debate and voting procedures

CW4 (Ret) Robert D. Scott reviewed the voting procedures for the meeting straight from the regulation. He additionally covered the debating procedures and time limitations.

CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill moved to reverse the order of voting for this meeting in an interest to save time and simplify the record keeping process. The motion was seconded by CW3 (Ret) Gene Perrino. Motion passed unanimously.

CW5 Frank Meeks called to retable the motion to hold the 34th Annual Meeting of the Members for 2006 in the Tampa Bay/Clearwater/St. Petersburg region on the west coast of Florida. CW3 (Ret) Bud Colburn moved to table the motion for 120days to allow European Region to prepare a packet for submittal to propose holding the 34th AMM in Garmisch, Germany. Motion was seconded by CW5 (Ret) Dave Welsh. Discussion followed. Amendment failed (see record below).

<u>On the floor</u>			<u>Proxies</u>		
Nea	Abst	Yea	Nea	Abst	Yea
34	2	7	710	0	34

The main motion to hold the meeting on the west coast of Florida passed unanimously.

Reports of the Focus Group Leaders, Floor Discussion, and Membership

Degree Completion -Post Graduate Studies for Warrant Officers, Focus group #1 Group leader CW5 Phil Tackett, presented (see submitted materials attached) Recommendation passed unanimously

EXPANDING USAWOA Focus group #2 Group leader CW3 Jacky Gaddis, presented (see submitted materials attached) Recommendation passed (see record below)

<u>On the floor</u>			<u>Proxies</u>		
Nea	Abst	Yea	Nea	Abst	Yea
1	0	42	8	0	736

Monthly Report Requirements. Focus group #3 Group leader CW4 (Ret) Roy Valiant, presented (see submitted materials attached) Recommendation passed unanimously.

One Army Warrant Officers Focus group #4 Group leader CW5 Brian Callaway, presented (see submitted materials attached) Recommendation passed unanimously

Deployments, Chapter and Region Support Focus group #5 Group leaders CW5 Mike Stensrud, presented (see submitted materials attached) CW5 (Ret) Ray Bell moved to separate the two separate recommendations into two separate votes. Motion was seconded by CW5 (Ret) Dave Welsh. Motion passed unanimously.

The first recommendation passed (see record below):

<u>On the floor</u>			<u>Proxies</u>		
Nea	Abst	Yea	Nea	Abst	Yea
0	1	39	0	10	736

Second recommendation passed unanimously

Present Chapter Awards and Streamers

CW5 Frank Meeks presented several certificates of appreciation to individuals that he felt helped him through his last two year term.

CW5 Mike Mitchell presented numerous awards service streamers and certificates to well deserving chapters and regions. (See attached report.)

Announce Results of Election

Teller Committee

CW5 (Ret) Vinny Baiocchetti was called to the podium to give the election results for the next term of USAWOA Officers.

The election results are as follows:

President	CW4(Ret) Roy Valiant
Vice President	CW4 Gary Nisker
Secretary	CW5 John Hinkle
Western Region Director	CW4 (Ret) Harry Wilson
Mid-North Region	CW5 Howard Lundin
Mid-South Region	CW4 Candis Martin
Southeast Region	CW4 (Ret) Bob Lee
Northeast Region	CW4 (Ret) Pete Hill

