

**UNITED STATES ARMY WARRANT OFFICERS ASSOCIATION  
LONE STAR SILVER CHAPTER**

**5315 Stormy Dawn  
San Antonio, TX 78247**

**MINUTES FOR JULY 2009 MEETING**

1. On 20 July 2009, the Lone Star Silver Chapter meeting was called to order by the Chapter President CWO(R) Juan Gomez at 1915 hours. The Pledge of Allegiance was rendered.
2. The secretary conducted the roll call. Seven members were present and twelve proxies were on the floor. A quorum was verified.
3. The minutes for the June 2009 meeting were read. There was one correction, paragraph 8c, remove one names of CWO(R) Strout. Randy Blackburn made a motion they accept with the change, Arthur Rakowitz seconded it. The motion was approved.
4. Treasurer's Report: No report
5. Vice-President's Report: Randy Blackburn thanked the chapter for supporting the needy disabled ramp project and will work on getting the chapter a date in August. The chapter will need five to 10 persons for the project.
6. President's Report: The Chapter President informed the chapter members of the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting in Salt Lake City on November 2 - 6, 2009. He reminded everyone to submit their proxies to national. They are available on-line. He welcomed all to the meeting and a special welcome to the Regional Director, CW3 James Davis, which came down from Fort Hood to visit with the chapter and its members.
  - . The USAWOA approved The Honorable Order of the Eagle Rising Award. It is similar to the medals of patron saints that most branches have. This award was originally formed in the 2002 Annual Meeting of Members; however it took some time to officially prepare for awarding. The Honorable Order of the Eagle Rising Award will be awarded in three levels, Gold, Silver, and Bronze. You can read more about it on National's website.
  - . Washington – The Board of Directors will be holding their meeting on August 22, 2009. If you are in the area you are welcomed to stop by; they will be a BBQ.
  - . Fort Hood, TX – The Regional Director will be holding a Quarterly Warrant Officer Muster Call and Professional Development at FT Hood on August 21, 2009. There will be some guest speakers, so please support.
7. Old Business:
  - a. CWO Arthur Rakowitz made a motion for the Chapter to provide \$500 for one member from the chapter to attend the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City. Randy Blackburn seconded the motion. A vote to accept the motion was taken and accepted
  - b. CW3P James Davis, Regional Director, informed the chapter that our local city major can make a Proclamation Declaration for the Lone Star Silver Chapter at the National Annual meeting. He explained how the Killeen City Mayor made a proclamation for the August meeting for the Ft Hood Chapter. The City of San Antonio mayor can proclamation November 2 through December 6, 2009 Warrant Officers for the annual meeting.

. The Regional Director also reminded everyone of the important of the member's proxies for the annual meeting and would except electronic proxies.

. CW3P Davis also informed the chapter members of the free membership by the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). How influential it is to have our members join and the benefits of joining the MOAA.

c. The LSSC presented Matthew Stout with the annual chapter scholarship for \$350.00 dollars. Present to accept the check was CWO Bill Stout, his son Matthew was this year's chapter winner.

d. The chapter president presented CW3P Davis with a Lone Star Silver Chapter cap as a token of gratitude for his guidance and assistance. The cap was autographed by chapter members present.

#### 8. New Business:

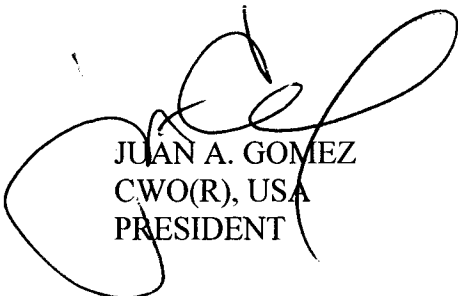
. The chapter president informed the members about a local soldier, SSG Jones, here in the area whose home had burned down due to lighting damage and is a single parent. CWOR Randy Blackburn recommended the chapter donate \$250.00 dollars to SSG Jones. A motion was seconded by CWO Arthur Rakowitz and a vote to accept the motion was taken and accepted.

#### 9. Adjournment:

. A motion to adjourn was made by Randy Blackburn and seconded by CW3P Davis. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2005 hours. The next meeting will be 17 August 2009.



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