

WOAC

Camp Phoenix, Afghanistan Chapter

Minutes for July 9th, 2010

CW4 Samson, President, opened the meeting at 0900 on July 9th, 2010. He mentioned that he has seen some new Warrants around Phoenix. There was some discussion on making sure we introduce ourselves and invite them to the Chapter. CW2 Mattfield asked that he be emailed with any new Warrants that want to be included in on the email distribution. CW2 Cannon, in attendance, said he would like to be added to the distribution.

CW4 Samson asked the Chapter if we wanted to purchase additional coins for the Chapter to hold. CW4 McGuire felt that we should do this. There was further discussion on how these extra coins would be utilized. CW2 Mattfield recommended that each unit could send a coin back to their state CCO. Discussion continued on the number of coins to stock within the Chapter. CW4 Ewert recommended we contact the WOAC to see if they would fund these additional coins.

CW4's Alan and McGuire donated 5 coins to the Chapter each.

MOTION: CW4 Ewert motioned to contact the WOAC and see if they would fund the Chapter's extra coins, this was 2nd by WO1 Dungey and motion carried

MOTION: CW2 Mattfield motioned to have a coin sent by the Chapter to each Unit's CCO represented in the Chapter, this was 2nd by CW4 Alan and motion carried.

CW4 Samson brought up the mentorship among the Warrants. There was discussion on the changes to the Advanced and Senior Staff Warrant courses. He mentioned how the quicker promotion from CW2 to CW3 is a policy not a regulation and also how important it is to communicate with your Unit Commanders. He stressed the importance of good solid documentation in your promotion process and how a poorly written letter of recommendation can negatively impact promotions. CW2 Mattfield mentioned that there was discussion at his WOBC among the CW5s that the Army is looking at removing the policy regarding quicker CW2 to CW3 promotions.

Further talk among the Chapter concerning all of the changes currently affecting the Warrant Officer Education System. WO1 Deyette brought up the new Army regulation that covers how time spent completing distance learning courses should be compensated to the Soldier and how it is retroactive to some extent.

Discussion on the pending promotions of a few Warrants...

- CW4 Ewert to CW5 in August
- WO1 Dungey to CW2 in September

CW2 Mattfield mentioned that the DFAC policy on Camp Phoenix says that only COL and SGM promotions are entitled to a cake. WO1 Dungey said she would work this through MSG Glawe to make sure this wouldn't be a problem when CW4 Ewert is promoted to CW5

Discussion on the meeting schedule followed, majority of Chapter seemed to be in favor of twice monthly on Fridays. CW2 Moore mentioned that while she and those others at FOBs other than Phoenix likely wouldn't be

able to make every meeting they should be able make monthly ones. CW4 Dressler brought forward the motion to have meetings twice monthly. CW2 Mattfield asked to clarify the motion by also saying that it was twice monthly on Fridays. There was discussion on if Fridays worked the best and the consensus was that it was the best.

MOTION: CW4 Dressler motioned that we have meetings twice monthly on Fridays, this was 2nd by CW4 Alan and motion carried.

CW2 Mattfield asked that we set as new business for the next meeting discussion on having Warrant Officer Dinner on Phoenix. This would be a time when we would setup proponent tables and invite enlisted to sit down with a Warrant in their field and discuss opportunities to become a Warrant Officer.

In closing CW4 Samson mentioned he has Warrant brochures if anyone needs them and CW2 Moore mentioned that she has a quick spreadsheet of what is required for the different Warrant MOS to submit a packet.

Next meeting is scheduled for 23 July, 2010 at 0900 in the DFAC Conference Room.