



Fort Lowell - Apache Chapter (0222)
Tucson, Arizona 85641
Western Region
US Army Warrant Officers Association



Call to order: President Craig Dowdney called the meeting to order at the Black Bear Cafe on November 10, 2025 at 1800 hours.

President: Craig Dowdney
Vice President: Harold "Lindy" Lindamood
Treasurer: Karl "Scott" McKenzie
Secretary: John Curtis

The Pledge of Allegiance: Said by all. Invocation was given by Mr. Curtis.

Secretary's Report: The October 18, 2025 minutes were electronically published on October 30th. Those minutes were reviewed to refresh the attending members' memory. Mr. Al Price made a motion to accept the minutes as published. It was seconded by Mr. Luis Zamudio. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The closing balance for October was \$9.640.87. Mr. Zamudio made a motion to accept, Mr. Price seconded and all unanimously accepted.

Medals Committee Report:

The most recent order of medals have been received. We ordered 1300 medals and have already fulfilled orders for 201 of those. We have received information that many organizations are discontinuing their medals program for the ROTC/JROTC programs. Therefore, it is anticipated that sales will increase and further replenishment may be necessary, even before the end of the current school year.

Scholarship Committee Report:

The committee will review the chapter's policy and application process soon and will bring changes that may include scholarship recipients who desire to pursue career education other than the traditional four year colleges.

Vice-President's Report: None

President's Report: None

Unfinished Business:

The recent years lack of scholarship applications was discussed. Suggestions included expanding the application announcement outside of the JROTC Command and send our offer to the career counselors within each school district office.

Nominations for elected chapter officers had remained open. No further nominations were offered. The president closed the nominations and asked for affirmation of Mr. Craig Dowdney for President and Mr. Harold Lindamood for Vice President. The membership agreed unanimously. The secretary was directed to show all members present and proxies on file in support of the elected officers. The president asked the current treasurer and secretary to stay on for another year. Both agreed.

New Business:

Mr. McKenzie gave the members some of the highlights from his attendance at the recent AMM. Number one is that our USAWOA coffers have been operating in the “red”. Announcement was made that all membership dues will be increasing by 35% and the executive committee will be looking to place prominent advertisements in magazines to try and bring our membership numbers up.

The 2026 AMM will be held at Gettysburg and the 2027 AMM will be held at Fort Rucker.

The president asked for a motion to switch our chapter website from Fireproof to the nationally administered website. The new website will be administered locally by chapter officers and will be free to the chapter. Mr. Dowdney and Mr. McKenzie pointed out that our current website had not changed its format and most of the material since its introduction. Mr. Chuck Cottrill made the motion to change to the free website as soon as possible. Mr. Deshawn Bell seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. The motion passed.

In honor of Veterans Day, our chapter and national flags were presented at the MOWW Annual Massing of the Colors and Service of Remembrance on November 9th.

Community Affairs:

The Christmas “Exodus” of approximately 1,000 students from Fort Huachuca is unanimously supported by all members present. Two methods of support were suggested. Either the chapter provide the food and drinks on December 20-21, or members obtain donations of money, food or drinks from willing fast food establishments. Last year the students in the final push (approx. 300) devoured 16 pizzas bought by the chapter members volunteering at that time. The students showed their appreciation for the hot food. More on this topic will be developed at the December 13th meeting.

Charity: None

Guest Speaker: None

Membership, Recruiting and Retention: Current membership is 39.

Adjournment:

Mr. Price made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Cottrill. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 1915 hours. **The next monthly meeting will be held at 1500 hours on December 13th, at the home of Mr. Harold and Mrs. Betty Lindamood, 443 S. Camino Holgado, Green Valley, AZ 85614.** The Christmas dinner is to be a potluck with the ham provided by the host. It is suggested that only one person bring a desert, and all others bring their favorite side dishes. Also, each attendee is encouraged to bring two wrapped gifts (one for a male and one for a female) not to exceed \$20 each. Dress is casual festive (ugly sweaters are allowed).

CW2 Craig C. Dowdney, Retired
President

CW2 John Curtis, Retired
Secretary

Number of Members Present: 7
Number of Proxys Present: 5
Number of Guests Present: 8