# MEETING MINUTES ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION 16 AUG 2017

<u>Call to Order:</u> Dale House, Pres., called the meeting to order at 1002 HRS at American Legion Post No. 1, I-25 and Yale. Dale led the Pledge of Allegiance and self-introductions.

# **Those Present:**

Bill Bates Fred Lyssy Bill Robie
Rick Beaver George Mayl Jeff Roy
Carlo Cavalluzzi Jim McNamee Mike Silva
Dale House Doug Neil Bob White
Phil Lanphier Terry Olson Walt Wise, T.M.

Cliff Lawson Mike Poindexter

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> The May Meeting Minutes were presented. *Moved to approve*, by George and seconded by Carl, unanimous approval.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> The May 10<sup>th</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> Treasurer's Reports were presented by Jim. He spoke on the larger dollar transactions. There were no questions. Motion to approve by Rick and second by Phil. Motion carried

#### OLD BUSINESS

# **AFTER ACTION REPORTS**

- Dale showed the two page article in the current Aviator and was praised for the outstanding coverage of the Chapter as shown in the magazine.
- Writing your own obituary for the Aviator Magazine was brought up. Also Terry reminded everyone about the pre-registration available at Ft. Logan.
- Bandimere event was a success, on July 1<sup>st</sup> owing to the prime location and plenty of visitors. Set-up is benefiting from the revised picture layout and number system on the shelves and countertops. Greg brought a new statistics board to display near the entrance. Docents working that day were Carl & Barbara Cavalluzzi, Doug Neil, Bill Robie, Dale House, Rick Beaver and Bill Bates. The new generator performed as expected providing power for lights and cooling.
- Golden paralleled the success of Bandimere. Greg Mann brought his statistics board showing
  the numbers engaged and casualties for both flight crews and aircraft. The signage garnered
  enough interest that attendance was as much as we could handle. Nice addition. At the event
  Dale was informed that vandalism was perpetrated on the Freedom Memorial. We all agreed
  to make a contribution for repair. Docents for the event were Greg Mann, Rick Beaver, Dale
  and Candy House, Bill Bates, Cliff Lawson, Carl and Barbara Cavalluzzi, George Mayl
- A \$500.00 donation was presented to the Freedom Memorial Fund on July 8th to repair the broken display glass. There are estimates as high as \$55,000.00 will be needed for the restoration. The ceremony recognized the Chapter and eight of our members were present. Additionally, Dale was invited to espouse the Chapter virtues on Crusin' 1430 AM. Go to www.cruisin1430.com to hear the interview.

- A speaking invitation was accepted by Dale to the Submariner Veterans Dinner. There were approximately 35 in attendance and were appreciative of Dale's presentation.
- The Erie Air Fair produced twice as many visitors as last year. There was a line awaiting viewing up to and including closing time.

#### **HELICOPTER WAR MUSEUM**

- Terry noted that set-up time has decreased significantly due to the picture installation and the numbering system for shelves. He will probably cut set-up time from two hours to one.
- All repairs and upgrades made during the spring renovation are performing as intended.
   Estimating new floor install next spring.
- Wings Over the Rockies has invited the HWM for a four hour event. Display would be outside.
   The new WOR CEO seems to be cooperative.
- Broomfield Days on Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup> from 0900-1600 hrs is the next action. Terry is coordinating, docents needed.

# Members wear, Museum sales, Models

- Walt Wise is coordinating the challenge coins. Dale and Phil will help with design and quantity.
- Contact Carlo for detailed information on in-stock items and ordering logo clothing. He
  distributed previously ordered apparel after the meeting.
- Bill R. announced that a B-17 model is MIA. If seen, contact Bill. (May have been found)
- Dale said the HWM T-shirts and hats continue to sell. The new order of coffee cups were of inferior quality and were returned to the vendor.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Save the date for the Holiday Party on Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- The Fall Honor Flight will be at 1930 hrs on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Let Carl know if you will be there.
- Ray Martonick will hold a Vietnam presentation in Anthem ranch (HWY 7 & Lowell) on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 1000hrs. He needs to know who is coming. See Bill R.'s email on the yahoo.com groups for further information.

• The next national VHPA reunion will be in Atlanta summer of 2018. As a side note Mike Law is relinquishing the reunion chair for this year.

# **Next Meeting:**

The monthly meeting will be a WEEKDAY Meeting on <u>Wednesday</u>, September 20<sup>th</sup>. A \$7.00 lunch, by Post #1 will be available immediately following the meeting.

**Adjournment:** Dale adjourned the meeting at 1152 hrs.

Submitted by Bill Bates Secretary wfbates@yahoo.com