

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**  
**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER**  
**VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION**  
**18 February 2026**

**Call to Order:** Dale House, President, called the meeting to order at 1304 Hrs.  
Dale House noted that that those present represented a quorum for voting purposes.

**Those Present:**

Bill Bates	Al Harinck	George Mayl	Bob White
Carl Cavalluzzi	Bob Harris	Jim McGrevey	Chuck Wiley
Wick Clark	Dale House	Doug Neil	
Bruce Girvan	Don Kent	Terry Olson	
Lou Grill	Cliff Lawson	Chris Towne	

***Zoom Attendees:*** Charles Bogle, Greg Mann

- Dale led the chapter members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Al Harinck attended the meeting with wife Dottie.
- Dale reviewed the chapter dues collections for 2026 and noted corrections.
- Dale is still collecting member biographies.
- Bill Bates reported the passing of Lloyd Moore member of the Broomfield Veterans Museum. Lloyd was B-52 pilot and Vietnam veteran.

**Meeting Minutes:** The January 2026 Meeting Minutes were accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jim McNamee could not attend the meeting so Dale House read the February 2026 treasurer's report. It was accepted.

**Old Business**

- **Clothing update:**
  - Carlo Cavalluzzi said many clothing size mediums are available.
  - We need to consider Chapter wives clothing order in light of the coming 2027 reunion.
  - Challenge coin inventory is low and an order for additional coins needs to be placed.
  - Carlo is receiving orders for clothing but is waiting to place the orders until minimum levels are reached.
  - We need to determine the National VHPA rules concerning RMCVHPA chapter item sales during the 2027 reunion.

- **Mahogany Models**

- Terry Olson had no update.
- Jim McNamee wants an inventory of the models in and out of the HWM.

- **Honor Flight**

- Honor Flights are open to WWII, Korea, Vietnam and Purple Heart veterans.
- Carlo updated the following Honor Flights departures:
  - High Plains (Northern Colorado) ([highplainshonorflight.org](http://highplainshonorflight.org))
    - Next Flight: April 19, 2026
  - Rocky Mountain (Denver Airport) ([rockymountainhonorflight.net](http://rockymountainhonorflight.net))
    - Flight #54: April 2–4, 2026
    - Flight #55: April 30 – May 2, 2026
    - Flight #56: Early September 2026
    - Flight #57: Early Fall 2026
  - H.F. of Southern Colorado Springs ([honorflightsocs.org](http://honorflightsocs.org))
    - Currently they have a **3 plus year** waiting list for flights.
    - WWII and Korea era veterans are given priority
    - Vietnam era veterans are assigned to flights based on their application dates.
- Applications need to be sent if interested in attending an Honor Flight
- Additional information can be obtained on the WEB ([coloradohonorflight.org](http://coloradohonorflight.org))

- **Rocky Mountain VHPA chat group**

- Carlo had no update.

- Dale inquired about Joe Minkiewicz and his current status.

- **Vietnam War Museum**

- Charles Bogle said the NVWM is working with the MOH society in an advisory roll.
- Charles said that he is waiting for additional changes before the museum booklet is printed and distributed.
- The third annual MOH summit meeting is scheduled on March 26 in Washington DC.

- The NVWM is preparing for Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29.

- **HWM**

- We need to set the HWM up so representatives from the Golden Museum and WOR can see and evaluate the HWM displays. Dale will schedule an HWM clean and setup day.
- After the HWM is cleaned and set up, representatives from the Golden Museum and WOR will be invited to review the HWM.
  - Terry Olson suggested we move the HWM to WOR for their review of the HWM.

- **Wings Over The Rockies (WOR)**

- Dave Dickerson, CEO of WOR, joined our meeting at WOR conference room.
  - Setting up the HWM at WOR on Memorial Day weekend is approved.
  - Dave was very positive about having Vietnam related displays in conjunction with the UH-1M Huey (Sweet Sioux) currently in the WOR. This would be a partnership with RMCVHPA.
  - There is an interest in using the HWM trailer for their storage when the HWM displays are removed and set up in the WOR.
    - **Note:** *National VHPA wants the HWM to be available at the 2027 reunion in Denver.*
  - An Air Force F-16 is in the process of being readied for display at WOR which would delay any acceptance activity until after September.
    - No room for a UH-1 D/H Huey at this time.
- Dave Dickerson expressed that there is a lot going on at the WOR and is happy to be working with RMCVHPA. Dave Dickerson was presented with a Chapter Challenge Coin and Patch.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Event Schedule:**

- Firestone Charter School Wednesday, April 29.
- Chapter representatives along with other Vietnam associations are in discussion with the Golden History Museum curator, Stephany Gilmore, concerning what a Vietnam exhibit would entail at the Golden History Museum scheduled to open in June.
  - A Discussion concerning volunteers, committee members, loaned items, HWM, etc. is scheduled for February 26 at 1:00 PM.

- The HWM vinyl depiction of the Huey with the Coors rocket pod needs to be replaced. Phil Lanphier was not available for an update on the Coors response for a contribution to replace the vinyl on the HWM.
  - George Mayl said he would contact Steve Richie, (past personnel director at Coors) for guidance.
- **The VHPA Aviator** has the information on the VHPA reunion in Louisville, KY August 5-8.
  - No information available the 2027 reunion scheduled to be held in Denver.
- Greg Mann suggested that it is a good idea to carry our contact and medical information on our person at all times in case of an emergency.

**Next Meeting:**

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, March 18 1000 HRS at the American Legion Post 1.

**Adjournment:**

- Dale House adjourned the meeting at 1415 HRS.

**Submitted by Doug Neil**

**Secretary**

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