

NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
LUNCH MEETING
8/4/2022

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The meeting was called to order by President Mike Griffith at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Mike gave the invocation and then led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. George Hanks gave a short presentation on membership and ways to bring in new people. Mike reemphasized that we are an all-volunteer organization and we need members to volunteer for board and officer positions. Mike then asked if there were any new members or guests. Guests were Chuck Cantnor and Aric Raus and his family.

Following lunch Mike introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Steve Horton, Assistant Superintendent of Okaloosa County Schools. Mr. Horton provided Marcus Chambers' view of what the system should look like in the future. He also took pride in the recent "A" rating received by the State and the continued award of the Academic High Performing Schools in Florida annually since 2012. He also spoke of the planning going on for a new high school in Crestview and new AI and nursing curricula being introduced to our schools as well as their safety efforts with the Okaloosa County Sheriff's office and local mental health services. Mr. Horton ended his presentation by answering several questions from our members. Following his presentation, Mike presented Mr. Horton with the NWFMOA challenge coin.

OTHER TOPICS

Mike then asked the Officers and Board or members present if there were any comments. Dave Parisot held the 50/50 raffle. The winner selected by Mr. Horton was our guest, Chuck Cantnor who donated his winnings to the Scholarship Fund. Total received for the Fund was \$149. Mike announced that the speaker next month will be CMSgt Bill Walter who will speak on the 1983 operation in Granada. Les Matheson announced that today was the anniversary of the formation of the US Coast Guard.

Attendance for the lunch was 37. The meeting was adjourned at 1310.

Following the lunch meeting was a Board meeting.

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Distribution: Email to board members and non-board members in attendance.