



General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2010

Meeting convened at 1136 hours with President Terry Turner presiding. A quorum was declared.

- 1. Opening Ceremonies:** Invocation given by Past-President Bryan Thompson.
Pledge of Allegiance led by President Terry Turner.
AFSA Preamble read by Jennifer Ponder.
Airman's Creed recited by Christina Lindstrom.

- 2. Members Present:**

Terry Turner	Bryan Thompson	Lawrence Bach
Don Sullivan	Brian Rogers	Christopher 'Shane' Fry
Ronda White	Jim Peters	Dwayne Ward
Glenda Ipock	Paul Findley	Lowell "Doug" Bynum
Gemma Clark	Christina Lindstrom	Mary Rokitka
Craig Colby	Rodney Hartwig	Lawanna Washington
Timothy O'Linn	Aaron Skrok	Michael Randazzo
George Montee	Jennifer Ponder	Trenell Brown
Anthony Burleson		

Guests Present: Jay Foote & Karl Wasserleben (TFCU) Michelle Devinney (FNB)
Chief Dan Haight

- 3. Special welcome:** Special guest Chief Dan Haight. Newcomers; George Montee, Jennifer Ponder, Michael Randazzo, Trenell Brown and Anthony Burleson. We would also like to welcome special guests; Jay Foote (TFCU), Karl Wasserleben (TFCU), and Michelle Devinney (FNB).

- 4. Reports:**
 - A. Secretary's Report:** President Terry Turner for Secretary Sheila Beaufeaux advised minutes from the March Executive Council and General Membership, and April Executive Council meetings were completed and disseminated via our list server and are posted on our web site at www.afsa985.org. Some hard copies were available in the front of the room with the sign-in sheet. *Bryan Thompson motioned to accept the Secretary's report, seconded by Historian Don Sullivan. Minutes were accepted as written.*
 - B. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Dwayne Ward provided a comprehensive briefing of the March 2010 Treasurer's report. *Bryan Thompson motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Historian Don Sullivan. Reports were accepted as written.*
 - C. Reports:** Pres Terry Turner for Trustee Deb Johnson stated all reports were up to date. Group Tax Return Authorization and Directory of Officers of new Executive Council were submitted March 17th and 18th, respectively. Quarterly Reports Activities & Americanism and Financial for FY4Q10 and annual reports Audit, Budget and Directory of Officers due by May 15, 2010.
 - D. Legislative:** President Terry Turner for Legislative Chair Lisa Sears gave an overview of April's Legislative report; the report was also distributed via the list server. Some highlighted points referenced HR 4505 (To enable State homes to furnish nursing home care to parents any of whose children died while serving in the Armed Forces), HR 4664 (To amend the Service members Civil Relief Act to provide for a one-year moratorium on the sale or foreclosure of property owned by surviving spouses of service members killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom.), and HR 4693 (Military Spouse Job Continuity Act of 2010). You can also view it at

www.afsa985.org for more updates. Extra copies were available in the front of the room as handouts.

- E. Activities/Programs:** VP Ronda White stated that there are no new activities at this time. The new POW/MIA coin sale will begin soon.
- F. Airman Activities Coordinators:** President Terry Turner (for AAC Shatoria Lowe) briefed that we had no volunteer activities for March due to the change over in AACs. AAC Lowe took over duties but will be stepping down due to job requirements therefore more information for volunteer opportunities will be sent out by President Terry Turner to distribute via website list server. President Terry Turner announced there were two outstanding members who are interested in AAC position. A new AAC(s) will be announced at the next General Membership meeting. Upcoming events for April include; Cosmic Bowling on 17 April and Festival of the Arts production in downtown OKC.
- G. Membership:** Trustee Paul Findley
 - (1) **New Members:** Trustee Paul Findley briefed that Chapter 985 has 63 new members for March making 111 new members YTD. As of March 31st, 2010 the chapter had a total strength of 1,991 active members with 81 in lapse status.
 - (2) **Recruiting Opportunities:** Upcoming events include FTAC and ALS.
 - (3) **Retentions:** Trustee Paul Findley contacted 51 out of 64 members whose memberships were expiring in March resulting in 5 renewals, bringing us to a grand total of 14 retentions for 2010 by 3 different retainers, and 80% contact of those members on termination roster.
 - (4) **Bad Address List:** President Terry Turner reported that 45 out of 143 members were contacted resulting in the update of 21 member's addresses and 122 remaining on list.
- H. Communications:** Trustee Lawrence Bach advised that the AFSA Team Tinker Newsletter for March 2010 is complete and being reviewed. It will be submitted to Debra Kirby for our PO folder. The AFSA Team Tinker is being reviewed by President Terry Turner and Historian Don Sullivan. The AFSA Team Tinker Newsletter will be distributed via the list server and can be viewed on our website at www.afsa985.org once it is updated.
- I. Awards:** See paragraph 4.
- J. Website:** President Terry Turner briefed we had 281 unique visitors in March. Our e-mail list server distribution is up to 2,847 addressees as of 31 March 2010. President Terry Turner commended our Webmaster David Weller-Fahy for his excellent job troubleshooting mail list server errors while in a deployed location. He emailed staff personnel and assisted in restoring system to operational status in minimum time.

5. Old Business:

- A. Chapter 985 Annual Awards.** President Terry Turner briefed that we held Chapter 985 Annual Installation of Officers/Awards Recognition Ceremony honoring Chapter Achievers, Chapter Supporters, Airman and NCO of the Year and Chapter 985 education grant recipients: Congratulations to the following special achievers for 2009:
 - AFSA Chapter 985 Airman of the Year – SrA Brittany Ditto, 552 OSS**
(2 nominees; SrA Ditto and SrA Jessica Castillo, 552 TRS)
 - AFSA Chapter 985 NCO of the Year – TSgt Michael P. Findley, 966 AACs**
(5 nominees; TSgt Findley, SSgt Eric Mijangos (34 CCS), TSgt Shawn Clay (507 MOF), SSgt Joseph Ekker (552 MOS), and SSgt Heather Maines (552 TRS))

AFSA Chapter 985 Member of the Year – MSgt Terry L. Turner

AFSA Chapter 985 Volunteer of the Year – SSgt Lawrence G. Bach, Jr.

AFSA Chapter 985 President's Award – SMSgt (Ret) Don Sullivan

AFSA Chapter 985 Outstanding Supporter Awards:

Michelle Devinney – VP and Tinker Branch Manager First National Bank

James Whitten – General Service Representative GEICO Insurance

Karl Wasserleben – AVP/Br. Mgr TFCU, Tinker AFB (Steven Gomer Accepting)

Catherine Jones – Store Manager, Tinker AFB Exchange

AFSA Chapter 985 Exemplary Achievement Award for Leadership and Dedicated Service – Outgoing President (3 Years) SMSgt Bryan K. Thompson

AFSA Chapter 985 Grant Recipients: (6 members awarded \$416.00 each)

SrA Travis Martin (964 AACs), SSgt Chris Harden (965 AACs), SSgt Vanessa Smock (964 AACs), SSgt Shatoria Lowe (349 RCS), SMSgt Bryan Thompson (552 TRS), and MSgt Terry Turner (412 MXLS)

2010 AFSA Chapter 985 Officers installed:

President – MSgt Terry Turner

Vice President – MSgt Ronda White

Trustees – MSgt Deborah Johnson

Trustees – SSgt Larry Bach

Trustees – MSgt Tate Beaufeaux

Trustees – TSgt Paul Findley

Trustees – MSgt James Peters

Trustee/Secretary – MSgt Sheila Beaufeaux

Airmen Activity Coordinator – SSgt Shatoria Lowe

Treasurer – SMSgt Dwayne Ward

Historian – SMSgt (Ret) Don Sullivan

Senior Advisor – SMSgt Brian Rogers

(Item Closed).

B. Chapter 985 Education Grants. See Para 5.A. **(Item Closed).**

C. ALS Classroom. President Terry Turner reported that the room just needs the 14" AFSA decal for the wall and mounting of the 2009 awards on the shelf for completion. The ECD is 1 May. **(Item Open).**

D. Division 89 Conference. President Terry Turner briefed that the Division 89 Annual Professional Airmen's Conference will be held from 29 April to 1 May at Rapid City, SD. Registration forms can be obtained and hotel reservations made on the host chapter's website – www.afsa951.org. *Don Sullivan motioned that Pres Terry Turner be Chapter 985's chief delegate at the 2010 Division 89 Conference, April 29-May 1. Accordingly, Tate Beaufeaux will serve as the alternate chief delegate. Don motioned that Terry Turner, Don Sullivan, Tate Beaufeaux, Sheila Beaufeaux, Michael Findley, and Brittney Ditto be voting delegates with all delegates, except Ditto, to share equal votes with any odd votes going to the chief delegate. Ditto will have one vote. The chief delegate is authorized to add delegates up to and including at the convention site until our credentials are turned in to the convention committee. The motion was seconded by Past President Bryan Thompson. With no discussion the motion passed as proposed. (Item Open).*

E. Spring Dance. President Terry Turner reported that he will be heading the 6th annual spring dance which will be held 16 May, 2010 from 1200-1700. This is an outreach event for the local

and distant community where special needs adults are invited to come out, dance, enjoy the cookout and socialize with the AFSA volunteers. This year we are expecting a bigger attendance to include volunteers. **(Item Open).**

7. New Business:

- A. Review/Approve Chapter Budget for FY2011.** Historian Don Sullivan passed out budget worksheets for everyone to review. *Senior Advisor Brian Rogers motioned to accept the 2011 Budget as written, seconded by Trustee Jim Peters. Budget was accepted as written with minor discussion. (Item Closed).*
- B. Review/Approve Chapter Standing Rules (SR).** Historian Don Sullivan briefed that the changes to the Chapter standing rules are basically cosmetic, just updating the year and added two (2) additional Trustee positions in 2010-1 thru 6. SR 2010-7 is separate because of its length and to satisfy requirements set forth by the Tinker Staff Judge Advocate to enable Chapter 985 to operate on Tinker AFB as a Private Organization. *Past President Bryan Thompson motioned to accept the new Standing Rules as written, seconded by Trustee Jim Peters. Standing Rules were accepted as written with minor discussion. (Item Closed).*
- C. Directory of Officers/President Pro Tem.** Pres Terry Turner announced that at the April Executive Council meeting Trustee Deb Johnson was nominated and elected as President Pro Tem to serve in the absence of the President and Vice President if both gone for 30 consecutive days. **(Item Closed).**
- D. High School AFJROTC Awards Banquets.** President Terry Turner briefed that in the event that he is not available we will need presenters for medals at the listed award ceremonies. **(Item Open).**

<u>High School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
Midwest City	8 April	1830	School Cafeteria	Recruiter TSgt Russell
Edmond North	16 April	1830	OK Christian Univ	Trustee Deb Johnson
Southeast	22 April	1800	Tinker Club	Trustee Jim Peters
Crooked Oak	23 April	1845	Tinker Club	Trustee Jim Peters
John Marshall	29 April	1830	12201 Portland	TBD
Carl Albert	30 April	1800	2009 S Post Rd	
			CAHS Field House	TBD
Choctaw	7 May		1800 Activity Center	Trustee Tate Beaufeaux

- E. Member Appreciation/Gift Giveaway to Attending Members.** To show appreciation to our attending members each attending member received two tickets before the meeting which they filled out and dropped in the ‘Bucket’. Throughout the meeting random drawings were held and prizes were given away:

1st – 9th drawings were 2 Yard Dawgs Tickets, winners were; George Montee, Christina Lindstrom, Bryan Thompson, Rodney Hartwig, Dan Haight (who generously donated his tickets to the lowest ranking attending Airman Jennifer Ponder), Doug Bynum, Anthony Burlson, Ronda White, and Lawanna Washington.

10th – 12th drawings were Arch Cards, winners were; Don Sullivan, Gemma Clark and Timothy O’Linn.

Each attending member not previously drawn for a prize was given a foam finger and tickets to one of the remaining regular season OKC Thunder basketball games.

8. **Comments:** No new comments at this time.
9. There being no further new business, President Terry Turner asked for a motion to adjourn. Senior Advisor Brian Rogers made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jim Peters, the meeting adjourned at 1236 hours.

Lawrence G. Bach, Jr., Trustee
///signed for///
Sheila Beaufeaux, Secretary

Approved as written
///signed///
Terry Turner, President