



Air Force Sergeants Association
Thunderbird Chapter 985
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General Membership Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2010

Meeting convened at 1135 hours with President Terry Turner presiding and declared we did not have a quorum but would conduct meeting. Due to illness, Flying Missions, TDYs, and summer vacations many members were unable to attend.

1. **Opening Ceremonies:** Invocation by Past President Bryan Thompson
Pledge of Allegiance led by President Terry Turner.
AFSA Preamble read by Member Mary Rokitka
Airmen's Creed read by Member Heather Michael
2. **Members Present:**

Jim Peters	Jonathan Sumerlin	Jennifer Ponder
Heather Michael	Christopher Fry	Andre Dame
Mary Rokitka	Bryan Thompson	Terry Turner
3. **Special welcome:** Newcomer; Heather Michael.
4. **Awards Presentations:** President Terry Turner did state we had none at this time but expressed appreciation for all contributions Past President Bryan Thompson has made to Tinker, Chapter 985, AFSA and the Air Force while serving in leadership positions. Also, a memento was being made in his honor and would be presented at his going away luncheon.
5. **Reports:**
 - A. **Secretary's Report:** President Terry Turner for Secretary Sheila Beaufeaux advised minutes from the Jun Executive Council and May General Membership 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. **Minutes will require approval at next GM Meeting in Jul 2010.**
 - B. **Treasurer's Report:** President Terry Turner for Treasurer Dwayne provided a comprehensive briefing of the May 2010 Treasurer's report for Treasurer Dwayne Ward who is on leave. **Report will require approval at next GM Meeting in Jul 2010.**
 - C. **Reports:** President Terry Turner for Trustee Deborah Johnson stated all reports are current and none due at this time.
 - D. **Legislative:** President Terry Turner and Trustee Jim Peters gave an overview of June Legislative report; the report was also distributed via the list server. If you did not receive it, you can visit www.afsa985.org for more updates. Extra copies were available in the front of the room as handouts.
 - E. **Activities/Programs:** President Terry Turner for VP Ronda White stated we sold 52 coins and received reorder of 100 POW/MIA coins which have been distributed to AFSA POCs for sale.
 - F. **Airman Activities Coordinators:** President Terry Turner stated we installed AAC Jennifer Ponder at Jun EC Meeting and Jon Sumerlin was previously installed. AAC Jon Sumerlin and

Jennifer Ponder briefed we had 67 volunteers for May. 35 volunteers for Memorial Day Gravesite Flag Placement, 16 volunteers for Feed the Children, 6 volunteers for American Red Cross Disaster Relief Efforts for displaced tornado victims, 5 Volunteers for Ronald McDonald House of Charities and 5 volunteers for VA Hospital Visit. President Terry Turner commended both AACs on the outstanding work/effort they are doing for Chapter 985! Other Jun events are ongoing to include swim Across America, Will Rogers Garden class teaching opportunities and infant crisis services.

G. Recruiting/Retention:

- (1) New Members: President Terry Turner for Trustee Paul Findley briefed that Chapter 985 has 24 new members for May making 191 new members YTD. As of May 31, 2010 the chapter had a total strength of 1,939 active members with 103 in lapse status.
- (2) Recruiting Opportunities: Upcoming events include FTAC, and ALS.
- (3) Retentions: President Terry Turner for Trustee Paul Findley & Past President Bryan Thompson briefed the chapter has retained 203 members but not reflected in retention numbers due to renewals by mail, phone and internet by members. May 2010 we retained 17 members by 5 different retainers. Trustee Paul Findley contacted 26 out of 31 members, 25 contacted by email, 1 by phone and unable to contact 5 members whose memberships were expiring in May resulting in zero renewals, by two retainers, and 87% contact of those members on termination roster.
- (4) Bad Address List (BAL): President Terry Turner reported he contacted 5 and updated 5 members information. That brings the BAL to 129.

H. Communications: President Terry Turner for Trustee Larry Bach advised that the AFSA Team Tinker Newsletter for May 2010 has been sent to President Terry Turner for approval. The AFSA Team Tinker Newsletter will be distributed via the list server and can be viewed on our website at www.afsa985.org once published.

I. Awards: President Terry Turner for Trustee Tate Beaufeaux stated he attended the quarterly Team Tinker Awards representing Chapter 985 and presented coins to two award winners in attendance, the other 5 will be presented coins at a later date.

J. Website: Webmaster David Weller-Fahy briefed we had 242 unique visitors in May. Our e-mail list server distribution is up to 2,908 addressees as of 31 May 2010.

6. Old Business:

- A. ALS Classroom.** Trustee Jim Peters briefed that the room was completed by himself and ALS Staff and room looks outstanding. **(Item Open).**
- B. Spring Dance. Weather, funding,** President Terry Turner briefed that the Spring Dance will be rescheduled to Sep 2010 due to centers funding, mileage, and extreme heat conditions forecasted for June 2010. President Terry Turner will send event announcement and volunteer request. **(Item Open).**

- C. 72ABW CCM Welcome Reception.** President Terry Turner briefed that the welcome reception went well considering that it was held on an ACW down day. There were 67 attendees at the event. He specifically recognized and thanked Ronda White and Jim Peters for their involvement in making the event a success. **(Item Closed)**.
- D. Parting Gift for 72ABW/CC, Colonel Jamerson.** President Terry Turner asked if the Executive Council would support a parting gift for Colonel Jamerson at his “Come and Go” reception on 22 June 2010. Treasurer Dwayne Ward made a motion at the June Executive Council meeting to spend \$35.00 for the departure gift. Trustee Tate Beaufeaux seconded the motion. Motion passed. **(Item Open)**.
- E. Tinker Club Advisory Committee.** President Terry Turner asked if an Executive Council member who frequents the club would be willing to volunteer as a representative on the Tinker Club Advisory Committee. Jim Peters volunteered. **(Item Closed)**.
- F. AFSA International PAC, Atlanta, GA, August 14-18, 2010, Ad.** Historian Don Sullivan asked if we want to use the same ad from division for our ad at International. Executive Council decided to keep the same format with minor adjustments to the photo captions with a budget of \$235.00. **(Item Open)**.
- G. New Member Responses.** President Terry Turner briefed we have not received any negative feedback for surveys; some reasons include lack of funds and lack of information (required additional research by members). **(Item Open)**.
- H. AFSA merge with AFSA Auxiliary.** Historian Don Sullivan discussed the merge with the AFSA Auxiliary. He stated that he would, as a Division Executive Council Member address this by requesting that Auxiliary members, “other than spouses,” be changed to Associate members to limit their abilities to hold office or vote in the organization while still counting in our membership strength. His concern is that an Auxiliary member could potentially hold office even if their membership was gifted to them and they have no interest in the needs of military members, dependent family members, or retirees. **(Item Closed)**

7. New Business:

No new business.

8. Comments:

This month’s General Membership door prize winners are as follows:
Lunch provided/paid for as door prizes to all attendees.

- 9.** There being no further new business, President Terry Turner solicited comments from around the room. There being no other business or comments the meeting was adjourned at 1220.

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Sheila A. Beaufeaux, Secretary

Approved as written

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Terry L. Turner, President