



## Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

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### General Membership Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2012

Meeting Convened at 1132 hours with Trustee Lowell Bynum presiding. A quorum was declared.

#### 1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. Invocation: Chaplain Don Sullivan led with the Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance led by: Trustee Lowell Bynum
- c. AFSA Preamble Read by: TSgt Cody Fondahn
- d. Airman's Creed rendered by: TSgt Adam Hubregtse

#### 2. Members Present:

Terry Turner	Don Sullivan	Tim Ossinger
Lowell Bynum	Rachael Long	Cody Fondahn
Bruce Reno	Stephanie Branscomb	Adam Hubregtse
ReGina Hubregtse	Richard Porter	Jeffery James
Michael Ruff	Michelle Herrera	Nicholas Swartz
Jospeh Sachleben	Brett Diaz	Christina Lindstrom

#### 3. Special welcome: None in attendance

#### 4. Reports:

- A. Secretary's Report:** Secretary Rachael Long reported the April General Membership and May Executive Council meeting minutes were emailed out by President Terry L. Turner via our mailing list and posted at <http://afsa985.org>. Motion to accept by Chaplain Don Sullivan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Historian Tim Ossinger, motion carried. (The exec. meeting was cancelled, but we have a record and it was sent out and posted).
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Chaplain Don Sullivan on behalf of Treasurer Mary Rokitka provided a comprehensive briefing of the April 2012 Treasurer's Report. Motion to Accept by Historian Tim Ossinger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard Porter, motion carried.
- C. Team Tinker/Quarterly:** Chaplain Don Sullivan briefed that the 2012-04 AFSA Team Tinker is Completed. President Terry Turner emailed via list server and had posted to website this morning.
- D. Legislative:** Chaplain Don Sullivan reported that President Terry Turner completed May's report and it has been sent out via the list server and posted to website. Copies were provided in the back of the room.
- E. Activities and Programs:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported that the POW/MIA coins are still for sale. It is dated for the official day of POW/MIA Ceremonies; the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of September. This year's coin is dated 21 Sep 12. Trustee Lowell Bynum also briefed that with the donation for the Memorial Air Park of up to \$150.00 he is able to get materials and will be getting with Pest Management to remove weeds.
- F. Airman Activities Coordinators:** Cody Fondahn reported:
  1. 44 Volunteers for April, 221.25 Total Hours of Community Service
  2. **Volunteer activities and totals:**
    - a. 14 Volunteers for the Special Olympics Softball Tournament
    - b. 8 Volunteers for the Will Rogers Intl. Airport Military Welcome Center
    - c. 7 Volunteers for the Tinker Air Park/Memorial Clean-up
    - d. 14 Volunteers for Rebuilding Together
    - e. 1 Volunteer for Race for the Cure

### 3. New events for May:

- a. Pink Sunday Preparation Project - May 5-11
- b. Special Olympics Summer Games - May 9-11
- c. Will Rogers Gardens - TBD
- d. Airpark/Memorial Cleanup - May 25
- e. Military Welcome Center - Every Saturday
- f. Memorial Flag Placement/Pick up - 25 May and 29 May
- g. Bingo Night at the VA Home-Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month

### G. Membership: Vice President Michael Mooney unable to attend:

1. **New Members:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported a membership summary for April 2012 as follows: 39 new members were recruited resulting in a total of 98 new members recruited YTD from 4 different recruiters; and a total strength of 1,824 total members (1703 active and 121 lapsed).
2. **Recruiting Opportunities:**
  - a. **The next FTAC opportunities are:** 8 & 15 May at 1250-1335
  - b. **Other recruiting opportunities are:** ALS - May 29 at 1100
3. **Renewal/Retentions:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported 9 retained by Chapter retainers, 22 YTD from 1 retainer.
4. **Lapsed Member Roster:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported we have 121 members on lapse listing. 112 of 121 had been contacted by email for 93% contact rate.
5. **Bad Address List:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported that he contacted 13 members by every means necessary and updated members information. 9 members are deployed.
6. **Sky and High Flyers:** President Terry Turner qualified for the prestigious AFSA Skyhigh Club by recruiting over 100 new members this year on May 4, 2012.

### H. Communications: Trustees Lisa Muth & Don Sullivan

April AFSA 985 Team Tinker Report

Thunderbird Newsletter (Jan - Apr 2012)

Tinker Takeoff Posting (Date for posting: **4 May 2012**. Sent to Takeoff on **2 May 2012**.)

Chaplain Don Sullivan advised that Webmaster Lisa Muth reported that the general membership meeting announcement was sent to the Tinker Takeoff for publishing and have been contacted to do short story on Division 89 Professional Airmen's Conference.

### I. Awards:

#### 1. Presentations that we support:

JEC Supervisory Award for 1st quarter 2012 – presentation date TBA

Base Quarterly Awards, 10 May 2012/1100

Base Annual Awards, TBD 2012

Annual High School AFJROTC Awards:

<u>School</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Chap 985 Presenter</u>
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>3 May 12/1800</b>	<b>Tinker Club</b>	<b>Richard Porter</b>
<b>John Marshall</b>	<b>10 May 12/1800</b>	<b>HS Cafeteria</b>	<b>Cody Fondahn</b>
<b>Carl Albert</b>	<b>27 Apr 12/1800</b>	<b>12201 N. Portland</b>	<b>Andrew Lowe/</b>
<b>Choctaw</b>	<b>27 Apr 12/1800</b>	<b>S. Post Road</b>	<b>Shannon Holland</b>
<b>Edmond North</b>	<b>21 Apr 12/1800</b>	<b>CAHS Field House</b>	<b>Bruce Reno</b>
<b>Crooked Oak</b>	<b>20 Apr 12/1830</b>	<b>HS Activity Center</b>	<b>Andrew Lowe/</b>
<b>Midwest City</b>	<b>5 Apr 12/1800</b>	<b>HS Facility</b>	<b>Shannon Holland</b>
		<b>Tinker Club</b>	<b>Mary Rokitka</b>
		<b>HS Cafeteria</b>	<b>Andrew Lowe/</b>
			<b>Shannon Holland</b>

### J. Web Site: Chaplain Don Sullivan and Webmaster Lisa Muth reported that we had 200 unique visitors in April 2012. E-mail list server distribution was up to 3, 744 subscribers at the end of April

2012. Total unique visitors for 2012 YTD were 918. Also briefed for members to checkout our chapter's Facebook page. The link is accessible from our website. President Terry Turner briefed for members to check CAPWIZ, you can see what your representatives are voting on and send them letters through CAPWIZ on topics they are currently voting. If you do write your congressman through CAPWIZ, please e-mail President Terry Turner to let him know.

## 5. Old Business

- A. Croaked Oaks AFJROTC:** President Terry Turner reported the chapter has collected and distributed 60 lbs of ABUs/DCUs/Flight Suits to support HS AFJROTC program. Collections will be on-going. The school is in need of any combination uniforms you may have. Email [president@afsa985.org](mailto:president@afsa985.org) for more details. **(Item Open)**.
- B. Presidential Volunteer Service Award (PVSA).** Chapter 985 was accepted as a certifying organization. Our volunteers need to register at [www.presidentialserviceawards.gov](http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov) and use Record of Service Key BHH-51436 to track volunteer activities. Once hourly milestones are reached, volunteer will be recognized at appropriate time with letter from President, certificate, and lapel pin according to achievement level. Volunteers need to log in to track volunteer hours for the Chapter. **(Item Open)**.
- C. Strategic Planning-Goals, Objectives, Committee assignments, Training, etc:** EC currently working on smart books with estimated completion date of 1 May 2012. **(Item Open)**.
- D. Meeting with Leadership:** President Terry Turner reported SMSgt Mogren setup meeting with 72 Air Base Wing Commander and 7 AFSA members attended meeting. The commander so impressed he joined on the spot. More meetings are being planned for the future. **(Item Closed)**.
- E. POW/MIA Coin Fundraiser:** President Terry Turner announced the 2012 POW/MIA Coins were ordered/received. Trustee Doug Bynum volunteered to manage program. Trustee Doug Bynum has sold 10 coins already. Contact Trustee Doug Bynum to purchase a coin. **(Item Open)**.
- F. Trustee Michael Bartels** previously provided comprehensive information on professional organization fund-raising opportunities in local area . The 552 is looking for a private org to run a golf tournament on 29 Jun 12. The private org would receive 20% of the funds. Request is tabled for now to review the details. The event has since come and gone. No need to discuss further. **(Item Closed)**.
- G. VA Hospital/Home Needs Support:** Secretary Rachael Long POC **(Item Open)**.

## 6. New Business:

- A.** On 27 Apr 12, Chief Jones requested up to \$250.00 for one time donation to support Retiree Appreciation Day. Funds will be used to provide postage/printing/etc. to advertise event. An email vote was performed to secure approval. **(Item Closed)**.
- B.** On 27 Apr 12, Trustee Doug Bynum has requested up to \$150.00 for one time donation to support Charles B Hall Air Park Restoration. Funds will be used to provide things like mulch, beatification aides, etc. to enhance the park. **(Item Closed)**.
- C. International PAC Announcement for Aug 2012 – Jacksonville, Florida, August 11-16, 2012.** President Terry Turner sent a full page Chapter 985 Ad for PAC program booklet, cost \$225.00 as budgeted.

## 7. Closing:

- A.** Trustee Lowell Bynum asked if there was any other new business or comments around the room. No comments noted.
- B. REMINDER:** Please make sure you sign in on the sheet at the back of the room before you leave.

**C. Door Prize Winners:**

Brett Diaz/Richard Porter/Adam Hubregtse  
Michael Ruff/Don Sullivan

With no other business, Chaplain Don Sullivan motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Trustee Bruce Reno.  
Meeting adjourned at: 1207 hrs.

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Rachael A Long, Secretary

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Lowell Bynum, Trustee  
For Terry Turner, President