



Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

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General Membership Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2012



Meeting Convened at 1130 hours with President Terry Turner presiding. Duty commitments due to the Med Group moving, deployments, and TDYs, along with summer vacations, prevented us from having a quorum with just 12 members attending. Don Sullivan motioned to waive the quorum requirement, seconded by Tim Ossinger, motion carried by attendees. Meeting continued.

1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. Invocation: Chaplain Don Sullivan led with the Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance led by: President Terry Turner
- c. AFSA Preamble Read by: Trustee Lowell Bynum
- d. Airman's Creed rendered by: Past Trustee Jennifer Ponder

2. Members Present:

Terry Turner	Don Sullivan	Tim Ossinger
Lowell Bynum	James Mitchell	Jennifer Ponder
Kevin Terrell	Christopher Norrell	Edward Hagstrom
Brett Diaz	Mary Rokitka	Derick Heflin

3. **Special welcome:** All CMSgts and 3 new attendees. The new attendees introduced themselves.

4. Reports:

- A. Secretary's Report:** Secretary Rachael Long on leave. President Terry Turner reported the May General Membership and June Executive Council meeting minutes were emailed out via our list server and posted at <http://afsa985.org>. Motion to accept by Treasurer, 2nd by Historian Tim Ossinger, motion carried. Copies provided in back of the room.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Mary Rokitka provided a comprehensive briefing of the May 2012 Treasurer's Report. Motion to Accept by Historian Tim Ossinger, 2nd by Chaplain Don Sullivan, motion carried.
- C. Team Tinker/Quarterly:** Chaplain Don Sullivan briefed that the 2012-05 AFSA Team Tinker is Completed, approved and President Terry Turner emailed via list server and had posted to website.
- D. Legislative:** Trustee Chris Huckins unable to attend due to duty commitments. President Terry Turner reported that he had completed Chapter 985's Monthly Legislative Report for June and it was sent out via the list server and posted to website. Copies were provided in the back of the room. President Terry Turner also briefed highlights of the report and the availability of CAPWIZ to contact congressional leaders.
- E. Activities and Programs:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported that the POW/MIA coins he has for sale are \$10.00 each; he sold 2 in the meeting. He also briefed the Tinker Air Park needs some work. The Airpark POW/MIA and Tinker OKC Bombing Memorials are looking good.
- F. Airman Activities Coordinators:** Cody Fondahn unable to attend (working a volunteer function at the Will Rogers Gardens). President Terry Turner briefed his report as follows:
 1. 47 Volunteers for May, 172 Total Hours of Community Service

2. Volunteer activities and totals:

- a. 12 Volunteers for the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery
- b. 1 Volunteer for the Tinker Air Park/Memorial Clean-up
- c. 18 Volunteers for Will Rogers Garden Exhibition
- d. 13 Volunteer for Race for the Cure
- e. 3 Volunteers for VA Bingo Night

3. New events for June Race for the Cure – TBD

- a. Will Rogers Gardens – TBD
- b. VA Bingo Night – June 18
- c. Airpark/Memorial Cleanup – June 29
- d. Military Welcome Center – Every Saturday

G. Membership: President Terry Turner for Vice President Michael Mooney (TDY):

- 1. New Members:** 16 new members were recruited in May 2012 with 113 new members recruited in 2012 YTD from 5 recruiters. As of May 31, 2012 the chapter had a total strength of 1,792 active members with 1,665 active members and 127 lapsed members.
- 2. Recruiting Opportunities:**
 - a. **The next FTAC opportunities are:** 5 & 19 June at 1250-1335
 - b. **Other recruiting opportunities are:** NCOPES seminar – 11-15 June (specific briefing date not yet established)
 - c. **Membership Drives:** VP Michael Mooney will be TDY until end of June. Will look at dates to conduct membership drive upon return.
- 3. Renewal/Retentions:** President Terry Turner reported 2 renewals in May with 23 YTD from 1 retainer.
- 4. Lapsed Member Roster:** President Terry Turner reported we have 127 members on lapse listing and will be worked aggressively. 120 of 127 had been contacted by email for 94% contact rate. 7 Unable to be contacted.
- 5. Bad Address List:** Trustee Doug Bynum reported that he contacted 7 of 7 members; 7 members remain on Bad Address List.

H. Communications: President Terry Turner reported for Communications Chair Lisa Muth (TDY) that the June 14th general membership meeting announcement was sent to the Tinker Takeoff for publishing on June 5th. They have already responded that announcement will be published.

I. Awards: President Terry Turner reported:

- 1. May presentations that we support:**
 - a. ALS Levitow Award presentation – 17 May 2012
 - b. AFJROTC Southeast HS
 - c. AFJROTC John Marshall
- 2. Upcoming Awards**
 - a. Base Quarterly Awards for 2Q12, 3 August 2012/1100
 - b. JEC Supervisory Award for 1st quarter 2012 – Decision will be made by June 29th for presentation at their July 10th meeting.
 - c. ALS Levitow Award – 28 Jun 2012

J. Web Site: Webmaster Lisa Muth (TDY). President Terry Turner reported we had 97 unique Visitors in May 2012. E-mail list server distribution had 3,742 subscribers at the end of May 2012. Total unique visitors for 2012 YTD are 1,141.

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. A1C Shannon Holland and SrA Alric Schmidt removed insignia, etc. from old BDUs and donated for use by Crooked Oaks AFJROTC High School Cadets. Chapter will look at sponsoring some event for this school late August or September 2012. Email 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 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. Historian/Senior Advisor Tim Ossinger advised he has registered using this tool. President Terry Turner advised all to register their volunteer hours for the 1st and 2nd quarters. **(Item Open)**.
- C. Strategic Planning-Goals, Objectives, Committee assignments, Training, etc:** President Terry Turner thanked everyone for attending the 4 meetings on the weekend and at lunch. EC currently working on smart books with estimated completion date of 23 July 2012. **(Item Open)**.
- D. VA Hospital/Home Needs Support:** Secretary Rachel Long is POC for this project. You can contact her by email: rae_walsh@yahoo.com. **(Item Open)**.
- E. POW/MIA Coin Fundraiser** Trustee Doug Bynum has sold 12 coins already. Contact Trustee Doug Bynum to purchase a coin, \$10.00 each. **(Item Open)**.
- F. 2012 Division 89 Conference Hosted by 985:** President Terry Turner signed and had 16 thank you letters, along with a program, mailed to supporters who purchased ads in the 2012 Division 89 Conference Program; 4 were delivered and 6 to be presented at today's meeting. Only 2 were in attendance. President Terry Turner presented to Trustee Doug Bynum for Habu Enterprises and Asst. Conference Manager Don Sullivan presented to Terry Turner, for managing the conference and personally purchasing ads and donating NBA OKC Thunder gifts for prizes throughout the conference.. Need to reimburse a couple more members, then the books can be closed on the 2012 conference. **(Item Open)**.

6. New Business:

- A. International PAC Announcement for August 2012, Jacksonville, Florida, August 11-16, 2012.** President Terry Turner advised we designed and submitted a full page ad for their program. Cost was \$225.00, which we had budgeted. He also urged potential attendees to make hotel reservations now. **(Item Open)**.
- B. AFSA 2nd Quarter Reports:** AFSA's 2nd quarter ends June 30, 2012. We want to submit the required combined Americanism/Activities and Financial Report by July 15, 2012. Timely submission of June AFSA Team Tinker input will help us achieve this date and be appreciated. **(Item Open)**.
- C. Tinker AFB Retiree Appreciation Day – June 16, 2012:** Need volunteers to help man a booth during this event. Contact President Terry Turner. President@afsa985.org. **(Item Open)**.
- D. Membership Appreciation Night at OKC Girls Roller Derby:** VP Michael Mooney advised he could still get reduced cost on tickets and asked if we were still interested. President Terry Turner

said he would send out an email to check interest. **(Item Open)**.

6. *President Turner asks if there is any other new business or comments from around the room*

A. REMINDER: Please make sure you sign in on the sheet at the back of the room before you leave

B. Door Prize Winners

\$5.00 Exchange Gift Cards: Kevin Terrell, Jennifer Ponder, Edward Hagstrom, Christopher Norrell, Mary Rokitka, Tim Ossinger, Don Sullivan & Lowell Bynum.

\$25.00 JC Penney Gift Card: Don Sullivan

C. President Terry Turner presented Jennifer Ponder with a “Memories” plaque for her dedicated service as Airmen Activities Coordinator/Trustee . This plaque contained headshot photos of present and past executive council members she served with.

With no other new business, Chaplain Don Sullivan motioned to adjourn, seconded by Historian/Senior Advisor Tim Ossinger. Meeting adjourned at: 1230 hours

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Don Sullivan, Chaplain
for Rachael A Long, Secretary

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Terry Turner, President