



## Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

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### General Membership Meeting Minutes

11 October 2012

Meeting Convened at 1142 hours with President Terry Turner presiding.

#### 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: Christina Lindstrom
- d. Airman's Creed rendered by: Richard Porter

#### 2. Members Present:

Terry Turner	Don Sullivan	Tim Ossinger
Mary Rokitka	Rachael Long	Doug Bynum
Chris Lindstrom	Michelle Herrera	Ronda White
Richard Porter	Rodolfe Isuhuaylas	Morris Ned
Sheila Beaufeaux	Kevin Terrell	Brian Brewer
Dan Mackay	Joanne Compton	Dave Lowe

3. **Special welcome:** Kimberly Barnes (FNB), Sarah Dron (FNB), Michelle Devinney (FNB) and 7 new attendees. The new attendees introduced themselves.

#### 4. Reports:

- A. **Secretary's Report:** Secretary Rachael Long reported the Sep General Membership (GM), 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter off-base GM, and Oct Executive Council (EC) minutes are completed and sent to the membership via our email list server and will posted to our website <http://afsa985.org>. Motion to accept by Treasure Mary Rokitka 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chaplain Don Sullivan, motion carried.
- B. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Mary Rokitka provided a comprehensive briefing of the Sep 2012 Treasurer's Report. Financial report for 3<sup>rd</sup> qtr will be done tomorrow, it is due 15 Oct 12. 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 2012-09 AFSA Team Tinker is completed and went out on the server and posted to our website <http://afsa985.org>. President Terry Turner gave a summary of what the report entails as well as read about the chapter's accomplishments and thanked the volunteers that make Chapter 985 successful, see report for details. Chaplain Don Sullivan and Treasurer Mary Rokitka prepared the combined quarterly AFSA Activities, Americanism/Financial (AAF) Report for 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter CY2012. President Terry Turner emailed it Division 89 President Dale Lutzen for AFSA, Debra Kirby, 72FSS/FSRO for our PO folder and Historian Tim Ossinger for chapter files on October 12, 2012.
- D. **Legislative:** President Terry Turner highlighted some key issues of the monthly report that was sent out. He urged members to use CAPWIZ. See report for details.
- E. **Activities and Programs:** Trustee Lowell Bynum reported that he attended the Fairways to Freedom as an AFSA representative on 5 October 2012. More details in new business.

**F. Airman Activities Coordinators:** President Terry Turner reported for Cody Fondahn as follows:

**1. 44 Volunteers for September, 170 Total Hours of Community Service**

- 9 Volunteers for the Military Welcome Center
- 7 Volunteers for the VA Bingo Night
- 11 Volunteers for the JDRF Diabetes Walk
- 4 Volunteers for the Special Olympics
- 3 Volunteers for World Fest
- 5 Volunteers for the AIDS Walk
- 3 Volunteers for the Tinker Air Park/Memorial Clean-up
- 2 Volunteers for the Dorm BBQ

**2. New events for October:**

- Komen for the Cure – Oct 13
- VA Bingo – Oct 15
- Health Fair; Komen – Oct 23
- Military Welcome Center – Every Weekend
- Airpark/Memorial Cleanup – Oct 26
- OKC Race for the Cure; Komen – Oct 27
- OU Game Security-28 and 30 Oct

**G. Membership:** President Terry Turner reported for Vice President Michael Mooney:

- 1. New Members:** 34 new members were recruited in September 2012 with 277 new members recruited in 2012 YTD from 8 recruiters. As of September 30, 2012 the chapter had a total strength of 1,755 members with 1,700 active members and 55 lapsed members.
- 2. Recruiting Opportunities:**
  - a. The next FTAC opportunities are: 16 & 30 October, 1250-1335
  - b. Other recruiting opportunities are: None at this time.
  - c. Membership Drives: None scheduled at this time.
- 3. Renewal/Retentions:** President Terry Turner report for Vice President Michael Mooney: 3 renewals in September with 31 in 2012 YTD.
- 4. Lapsed Member Roster:** President Terry Turner report for Vice President Michael Mooney: reported contact was ongoing and no additional updates.
- 5. Bad Address List:** Trustee Doug Bynum reported that he contacted 21 of 58 members by every means necessary and updated/removed 4 members. 54 members remain on the list.
- 6. Briefing slides:** VP Michael Mooney has updated the briefing slides. He is not satisfied with how dim the data appears on the projector screen and will correct that for a better visual.
- 7.** We currently have 2 SKYhigher (Terry Turner and Lowell Bynum) and 0 HIGHfliers.

**H. Communications:** Trustees Lisa Muth and Don Sullivan  
Thunderbird Newsletter (May-Aug 2012) is being compiled and all inputs will be appreciated. President Terry Turner also briefed that we need volunteers to write article for the newsletter. Contact President Terry Turner if you have an article you would like to submit.

**I. Awards:** President Terry Turner reported:

**October presentations that we support:**

- JEC Supervisory Award for 2nd quarter 2012 – presentation date TBA
- Team Tinker 3rd Quarter Awards ceremony is scheduled for November 2, 2012.

**J. Web Site:** Don Sullivan reported we had 203 unique visitors in September 2012. E-mail list server

distribution had 3,799 subscribers at the end of September 2012. Total unique visitors for 2012 YTD are 1,920.

## 5. Old Business:

- A. Crooked Oaks AFJROTC.** President Terry Turner reported the chapter has collected and distributed 105lbs of ABUs/DCUs/Flight Suits to support HS AFJROTC program (includes 35lbs DCUs donated by Bruce Reno in August). The school is in need of any combination uniforms you may have. Collections will be on-going. President Terry Turner will contact the school to discuss the Chapter sponsoring some event for them in late September or October 2012. Email [president@afsa985.org](mailto:president@afsa985.org) for more details. President Terry Turner asked for ideas for a moral event for the students at Cooked Oaks. Paintballing was a suggested topic, Bruce Reno and Mike Bartels are going to contact the Paintball places in Choctaw and Guthrie to get price quotes. **(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. Keep tracking volunteer hours; the Chapter will report them at the end of the year. President Terry Turner will request letter from President Obama, and purchase certificates and pins. A prior motion of \$50.00 has been approved for these purchases. **(Item Open)**.
- C. Strategic Planning-Goals, Objectives, Committee assignments, Training, etc.** EC currently working on smart books with estimated completion date of 1 December 2012. **(Item Open)**.
- D. Education Grant.** President Terry Turner resent via list server due by 1800 October 9, 2012. The grant goes back to the beginning of the year for anyone who has attended school this year. We only had 2 submissions, which were recognized. The Executive Council determined to send out again for more participation. Council recognized 5 more recipients in October, Morris Ned, Sheila Beaufaux, Ronda White, Christina Lindstrom, and Terry Turner. The application will be resent for a November 6, 2012 1800 deadline. **(Item Open)**.
- E. 552 Commander Meeting.** The Commander and CMSgt Compton have been TDY a lot. VP Michael Mooney scheduled meeting, October 23, 2012, 0800 hours. President Terry Turner will confirm date and time. **(Item Open)**.
- F. 72 ABW Command Chief Welcome Reception.** President Terry Turner suggested that a combination reception be held for both the 72 ABW and the 507<sup>th</sup> CCMs . The amount approved for this was \$750.00. Trustee Michael Bartels is checking with staffs for convenient dates to schedule. Dates available 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 of October at the club (1500).Mike Bartels will Email Terry both command chief's bios (72 ABW/507 ARW). **(Item Open)**.
- G. Annual Gift Wrap Paper Work.** Trustee Bruce Reno prepared and submitted to President Terry Turner for approval. President Terry Turner coordinated with BX and submitted to 72FSS on October 2, 2012 for approval. Trustee Bruce Reno will develop a committee of at least 5-6 people to manage fund-raiser. Need names ASAP. He will also start spreadsheet for scheduling Gift Wrap. The trailer that our wrapping paper and supplies were stored in off-base was stolen. We still have some supplies left, but maybe not enough for the month-long fundraiser, so probably have to buy more this year. Michelle Devinney, FNB is going to look into getting a donation so that chapter can buy wrapping paper. **(Item Open)**.

**H. Chapter 985 Elections/Installation of Officers (985 Standing Rule 2012-4).** President Terry Turner submitted a Talking Paper to the International Executive Council through Division 89 President Dale Lutzen to change the language in AFSA Manual 100-2 permitting installation of officers up to 90 days after elections or appointments instead of the current 30 days now specified. The Intl Exec. Council approved this change at the PAC in August 2012, and the manual has been updated. Our General Membership voted at their August meeting to hold elections in November each year and installations by February. Standing Rule 2012-4 revised and submitted to 72FSS for our PO folder. President Terry Turner emailed an announcement via our list server October 2, 2012. All positions except Vice President will be elected/appointed for 1 year terms. Anyone interested contact Senior Advisor Tim Ossinger [tossinger@cox.net](mailto:tossinger@cox.net) or Chaplain Don Sullivan [ddsullivan@cox.net](mailto:ddsullivan@cox.net). Current officers have to also state their intent if they desire to serve another year. **(Item Open).**

## 6. New Business:

- A. Fairways to Freedom.** Trustee Doug Bynum attended the Fairways to Freedom as an AFSA representative along with CMSgt Kevin Vegas on 5 October 2012. The event was to raise money for the Wounded Warrior Project. Trustee Doug Bynum answered any questions that the attendees have about AFSA, what AFSA's mission is and spread the word about the events AFSA is involved with to include volunteer opportunities. The silent auction fundraiser raise \$230, 000 for the Wounded Warrior Project. They plan on holding the event annually. **(Item Closed).**
- B. CCAF Graduation.** Brian Brewer announced that the 72 ABW Command Chief CMSgt Lavoie stated that the CCAF graduation that is held twice a year no longer has funding. President Terry Turner asked for a motion to have AFSA fund the graduation. Motion to accept by Historian Tim Ossinger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard Porter, motion passed.
- C. AFSA Promotional Items.** Trustee Doug Bynum asked for a motion for up to \$200 to purchase new promotional items to represent the chapter such as a flag and/or table cloth, etc. Motion to accept by Historian Tim Ossinger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chaplain Don Sullivan, motion passed.
- D.** President Terry Turner presented Michelle Devinney of FNB with letter of appreciation for their support of the 2012 AFSA Division 89 Annual Conference hosted in Oklahoma City by our chapter. He also presented Trustee Doug Bynum and Member Michelle Herrera with Presidential Coins of Excellence for their contributions on special projects.

## 7. *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**

\$10.00 Exchange Gift Cards: Chis Lindstrom, Dan Mackey, Michelle Herrera, Rodolfe Isuhuaylas, Rachael Long, Doug Bynum, Ronda White, Christopher White.

With no other new business, Kevin Terrell motioned to adjourn, seconded by Historian Tim Ossinger. Meeting adjourned at: 1244 hours.

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Rachael A Long, Secretary

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Terry Turner, President