



Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

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General Membership Meeting Minutes

11 April 2013

Meeting Convened at 1130 hours with Vice President Michael Mooney presiding, no quorum declared.

1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. Invocation: Jeremy Heinz led with the Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance led by: Vice President Michael Mooney
- c. AFSA Preamble Read by: Trustee Richard Porter
- d. Airman's Creed rendered by: Patsy Robles-Pena

2. Members Present:

Michael Mooney	Mary Rokitka	Doug Bynum
Richard Porter	Shelby Platt	Patsy Robles
James Mitchell	Kevin Terrell	Matt Arnolds
Christopher Looney	Michelle Devinney	Jeffrey Echeverry
Tara Ward	David Lowe	

3. **Special welcome:** 3 new attendees. The new attendees introduced themselves.

4. Reports:

- A. Secretary's Report:** Secretary Michelle Herrera reported the Mar GM and Apr EC minutes are completed and sent to the membership via our email list server on April 9, 2013 and will posted to our website <http://afsa985.org>. No quorum declared.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Mary Rokitka reported that income, expenses and end of month balances for the month of March. No quorum declared.
- C. Team Tinker/Quarterly:** Vice President Michael Mooney briefed for Trustee Don Sullivan that the 2013-03 AFSA Team Tinker Was sent via the list server April 10, 2013.
- D. Legislative:** Vice President Michael Mooney briefed on behalf of President Terry Turner that our monthly legislative report was sent via the list server on April 9, 2013 and a summary of the report was briefed by VP Mooney. See full report for details.
- E. Activities and Programs:** Trustee Lowell Bynum- Group Photo Update for May/June 2013, 2013 FTAC Briefer Training-Jan 2013, AFSA SharePoint, Halloween Party-26 Oct 2013. BBQ in the springtime will start planning soon. Christmas card planning party will meet in July 2013. 20 Apr 13 is the Ultimate Warrior Mud Run get signed up and get T-Shirts ordered.
- F. Airman Activities Coordinators:** VP Michael Mooney reported the following statistics for AAC Rachael Long:
 - ◆ 62 Volunteers for March, 208 Total Hours of Community Service
 - 2 Volunteers for the Military Welcome Center
 - 32 Volunteers for the VA Bingo Night
 - 3 Volunteer for the Aids Walk Fundraiser
 - 14 Volunteers for Habitat for Humanity
 - 6 Volunteers for Regional Food Bank

5 Volunteers for Carl Albert Drill Meet

- ◆ New events April and May
 - Special Olympics Softball Tournament- Apr 10
 - OKC Marathon- 28 Apr
 - VA Bingo – 15 Apr
 - Military Welcome Center – Every Weekend
 - Heart Walk 18-29 Apr
 - EOI Testing/Midwest City HS- 16 Apr- 9 May

G. **Membership:** Vice President Michael Mooney

1. **New Members:** VP Michael Mooney reported a membership summary for March 2013 as follow: 25 new members recruited resulting in a total of 53 new member's recruited year-to-date from 3 different recruiters; and a total strength of 1,693 total members (1,604 active and 89 lapsed).
2. **Recruiting Opportunities:**
 - a. The next FTAC opportunities are: 10 April 2013, 1130-1230
 - b. Other recruiting opportunities are: ALS 9 April, 1500; SNCOPES week of 15-19 Apr 2013
 - c. Membership Drives: None scheduled at this time.
2. **Renewal/Retentions:** VP Michael Mooney reported 4 renewals in March with 16 YTD in 2013.
3. **Lapsed Member Roster:** Vice President Michael Mooney reported we have 89 members on lapse listing and will be worked aggressively. 85 of 89 had been contacted by email for 96% contact rate.
5. **Bad Address List:** Trustee Doug Bynum reported that he contacted of contacted 25 of 88 members by every means necessary. None updated, 88 members still remain.
6. We currently have no SKYhighers and no HIGHfliers;

H. Communications: Trustee Don Sullivan reported earlier that preparation is underway for Jan-Apr 2013 Thunderbird News. Still have some news to add, so if you have time anything to contribute there is still time.

- I. We had 210 unique visitors and a total of 3,841 list server subscribers to our web site in March. Total unique visitors for 2013 YTD are 582. Need to get Chapter 911 in the server, to get numbers.

5. **Old Business:**

- A. **Crooked Oaks AFJROTC.** 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. Items are still being collected. Shannon Holland donated 10lbs of ABU's on 14 February. **(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. 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. Volunteer hours need to be input NLT 31 Dec 2013. Four awards

were given out at February GM Meeting. Be sure to Register and update. A POC will be appointed to help spread the word of the Presidential Volunteer Service Award. (Item Open).

- C. Strategic Planning-Goals, Objectives, Committee assignments, Training, etc.** EC currently working on smart books. We will discuss the goals and objectives with the 2013 council in the New Year. A lot of new members coming along. Trustee Richard Porter would like to be on the legislative team. **(Item Open)**.
- D. AFSA Promotional Items.** President Terry Turner is checking on status of the two banners that Mike Bartels ordered and said were completed. **(Item Open)**.
- E. Spring Burger Burn.** The Chapter would like to host a burger burn in the spring for members to come out have some fun and take a chapter photo. The Chapter would like to host the Burger Burn in April 2013. Trying for 1,000's of members to be in the picture. **(Item Open)**.
- F. Appointed Council Positions:** President Terry Turner will send an email to ask for volunteers to be on committees, help with legislative, new letter, etc. Please be thinking of any committee you would like to serve on, positions open. **(Item Open)**.
- G. New Ideas to get more members.** Educate on why you should become a member. In next month or two small groups will get together. New idea of recruiting new members at JEC Meetings to reach out to the new airman. **(Item Open)**.
- H. Dorm Council:** Is holding a laser tag event for all Airmen who would like to join. Event will be held on 19 April, at Heyday.. Trying for 40 airmen to participate. Get with POC Shelby Platt if yourself or if you know any airman that would like to join. Event will be reserved today. Email vote approved up to \$450 for this event. **(Item Open)**.
- I. Trustee Derick Heflin will head up AFJROTC program:** Need to ensure schools are aware of procedures, get volunteers to attend ceremony, preferable AFSA Chapter Members, verify the JROTC and CAP POC and their presentation date. **(Item Open)**.
- J. AFJROTC Drill Competition.** Carl Albert High School is hosting annual drill comp for about 8 high schools. They are asking for financial help to purchase trophies. \$200.00 was approved at the March General Membership meeting because we support the annual awards ceremonies for 4 of the competing schools. Vice President Michael Mooney read a thank you card received from the Carl Albert AFJROTC for our contributions in making this event a success. **(Item Open)**.
- K. Member Appreciation Night:** President Terry Turner planned another popular Membership Appreciation event focused on rewarding members for all their volunteer efforts. 85 Members and family enjoyed a night out to watch the Oklahoma City Thunder NBA team play the Washington Wizards March 27, 2013; cost \$1190.00. It was also Military Appreciation Night, which accounted for an additional 500 military members attending. **(Item Closed)**.
- L. Air Park Clean up Suspended:** Airpark clean-up is suspended until further notice. President Terry Turner has asked for confirmation of these directions. **(Item Open)**.

6. New Business:

Creek Clean-up: 26 April 1pm-3pm there will be a Creek clean-up. Email Doug Bynum if interested.

7. VP Michael Mooney asks if there is any other new business or comments from around the room

A. Any other new business or comments from around the room

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

C. Door Prize Winners

Gift Card: Patsy Robles-Pena, Christopher Looney, Doug Bynum, Matt Arnold

Two more winners, names unknown.

***With no other new business, Trustee Doug Bynum motioned to adjourn, seconded by VP Michael Mooney.
Meeting adjourned at: 1212 hours.***

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Shelby Platt, Acting Secretary

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Michael Mooney, Vice President