



Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

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General Membership Meeting Minutes

11 July 2013

Meeting Convened at 1130 hours with President Terry Turner presiding, quorum declared.

1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. Invocation: Trustee Don Sullivan led with the Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance led by: President Terry Turner
- c. AFSA Preamble Read by: Michael Bartels
- d. Airman's Creed rendered by: Trustee Derek Heflin

2. Members Present:

Terry Turner	Brian Brewer	Michael Bartels
Rachael Long	Derick Heflin	Heather Blaylock
Don Sullivan	Shelby Platt	Mary Rokitka
Tim Ossinger	James Ergenbright	
Garry Cannon	Michelle Devinney	
Christopher Looney	Sarah Dron	
Rich Porter	James Mitchell	

3. Special welcome: Michelle Devinney and Sarah Dron with First National Bank. There was also a new attendee. The new attendees introduced themselves.

4. Reports:

- A. Secretary's Report:** Secretary Substitute Shelby Platt reported that the June General Membership and July Executive Council Minute have been completed and will be posted on will posted to our website <http://afsa985.org>. They were sent out July 10 via our list server. Motion to accept Historian Tim Ossinger, 2nd by Michael Bartels. Motion Passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Mary Rokitka reported income, expenses and end of month balances for the month of June. Motion to accept, Michael Bartels, 2nd by Trustee Rich Porter, motion passed.
- C. Team Tinker/Quarterly:** Trustee Don Sullivan briefed that the 2013-06 AFSA Team Tinker was sent via the list server July 10, 2013 and that the Quarterly is in the progress.
- D. Legislative:** Trustee Rich Porter stated that the monthly legislative report was sent out July 10, 2013. President Terry Turner gave a short narrative of some of the contents.
- E. Activities and Programs:** Trustee Lowell Bynum- Group Photo Update for Aug/Sep 2013, AFSA SharePoint, Halloween Party-26 Oct 2013. BBQ in the summertime will start planning soon. Christmas card planning party will meet in Sep 2013.
- F. Airman Activities Coordinator(s):** Shelby Platt reported:
 - ◆ 43 Volunteers for June, 85.50 Total Hours of Community Service
 - 4 Volunteers for MWC Riverside Home Park Clean-up
 - 28 Volunteers for VA Bingo

- 7 Volunteers for Tinker Chief's group and Tinker Top 3 Run-a-Thon
- 4 Volunteers for Serve Moore Tornadoe Clean-up

◆ New events July

Oklahoma City Animal Welfare Division- 10 July
DMCA Change of Command – 9, 10 July
VA Bingo - 15 July
AIDS Walk Mailout – 18 July
Military Welcome Center – 6, 13, 20, and 27 July

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

1. **New Members:** Reported a membership summary for June 2013 as follow: 21 new members recruited resulting in a total of 103 new members recruited year-to-date from 6 different recruiters; and a total strength of 1968 total members (1879 active and 89 lapsed).
2. **Recruiting Opportunities:**
 - a. **Membership Drives: TBD**
3. **Renewal/Retentions:** Reported 2 renewals in June with 19 in 2013 YTD.
4. **Lapsed Member Roster:** Reported we have 89 members on lapse listing and will be worked aggressively. 87 of 89 had been contacted by email for 98 % contact rate.
5. **Bad Address List:** Trustee Doug Bynum advised 83 members are on the Bad Address Listing (BAL), due to duty requirements and leave, no contacts were made in June, 83 members still remain.
6. We currently have No SKYhighers and no HIGHfliers

H. Communications: Trustee Don Sullivan reports the May – Aug 2013 Thunderbird News is being assembled. Need articles, Trustee Rich Porter has an article on his experiences in the JROTC that will be ready next week.

I. Webmaster/Content: We had 1,555 unique visitors and a total of 4,511 list server subscribers to our web site in June. Total unique visitors for 2013 YTD are 2,473

2. Old Business

- A. Crooked Oaks AFJROTC.** President Terry Turner reported the chapter has collected and distributed 235lbs of ABUs/DCUs/Flight Suits to support HS AFJROTC program. TSgt Vanilla Nixon donated 100lbs of uniforms/boots. Doug Bynum also donated 20lbs 6 June 2013. Items still being collected so please bring what you can! This means ABU's, blue's, service dress, and physical training gear. The uniforms will be delivered in August after the summer break. **(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. **(Item Open).**
- C. AFSA Promotional Items:** Mike Bartels picked up the banner and flag on Saturday, 15 June, 2013. The items were brought to the July General Membership Meeting. **(Item Closed).**

- D. Summer 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 August/September 2013. Trying for 1,000's of members to be in the picture. On hold at the moment trying to find a park to host BBQ. Thinking about Welcome Center Park. **(Item Open)**.
- E. New Ideas to get more members.** Planning stages of the Membership drive will be discussed in July. Soon there will be briefings at a Commander's Call and Safety TRS. Late July there will be planning to set up recruiting booths at the BX to talk about the CAPWIZ push. **(Item Open)**.
- F. Quarterly Meeting:** Chapter 985 quarterly meeting was held at Santa Fe on 13 June 2013 at 5:00pm. \$150.00 in door prizes were given out. **(Item Closed)**.
- G. Chapter Education Grants:** President Terry Turner announced he would be emailing applications via our list server for this program by next Friday, July 19, 2013. Tinker Federal Credit Union partners with the chapter to support continuing education by members. A total of \$2,500 is allocated this year and will be granted from \$75 - \$500 amounts depending on number of applicants. The applications will be sent out via email. **(Item Open)**.
- H. Webmaster Training:** Secretary Michelle Herrera and Douglas Ash attended training 9 June 2013 to be the new Webmasters. A motion for \$100 to purchase food and drinks for training was passed and the cost was \$32. Trustee Don Sullivan motioned, Chaplin Jeremy Heinz 2nd motion, discussion, motion passed. **(Item Closed)**.
- I. Tornado Victims:** In efforts to help those in need The Chapter motioned a donation of \$500 to give to The Airman and Family Readiness Center. Trustee Doug Bynum motioned, Trustee Rachael Long 2nd motion, discussion, motion passed. **(Item Closed)**.
- J. Quarterly Meeting:** Chapter 985's next quarterly general membership meeting will be held at Santa Fe on 12 September 2013 at 5:00pm. All are welcome, including family members - door prizes will be given. **(Item Open)**.

3. New Business:

- A. 2013 AFSA Intl. Professional Airman's Conference - Chapter 985 Delegates:** Trustee Don Sullivan motioned that President Terry Turner serve as our Chief Delegate with Trustee Rachael Long our Alternate Chief Delegate, dividing the votes between them at the 2013 AFSA Intl. Professional Airmen's Conference (PAC). We know of no others attending at this time. Chapter 985 has 78 votes, the Chief Delegate will have the authority to add delegates and reassign number of votes at the conference site if appropriate. Any remaining surplus numbers will go to the Chief Delegate. Further, the Chief Delegate will cast the votes of any absentee delegate. The Alternate will have and cast the votes in the same manner as stated above in the Chief Delegate's absence. Motion seconded by Tim Ossinger, Motion passed. **(Item Closed)**.
- B.** An Air Force Sergeants Association Certificate of Commendation was given out to SRA Priscilla M. Pacheco in recognition of her outstanding contributions to her squadron, wing, Team Tinker, Local community, and the United States Air Force..

4. President Terry Turner 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: Historian Tim Ossinger, Trustee Brian Brewer, Christopher Looney, President Terry Turner, and Trustee Rachael Long,

With no other new business, Trustee Don Sullivan motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Derek Heflin.
Meeting adjourned at: 12:34 hours.

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Shelby Platt, Secretary Substitute

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Terry Turner, President