



Air Force Sergeants Association

Thunderbird Chapter 985

<http://afsa985.org/conc/>

General Membership Meeting

October 11, 2018



Meeting Convened at 1130 hours with President Manuel presiding, a quorum was declared.

1. Opening Ceremonies.

- A. Invocation: Vice President Whitfield
- B. Pledge of Allegiance: President Manuel
- C. AFSA Preamble Read by: President Manuel
- D. Airman's Creed rendered by: President Manuel

2. Members Present:

Blake Manuel (President)	Brian Pence
John Whitfield (Vice President)	Pete Piazza
Homero Morales (Secretary)	Lowell Bynum
Neel Rodgers (Senior Advisor)	Frank Zamorano
Yewande Mohammed (AAC)	Betty Worley
Terry Turner (Historian)	Tasha Windish
Seth Rollins (Trustee)	Erin Rodgers
Manuel Muñoz	
Chief Kyle Erb	Jose Magaña
Brandie Benoit	Patrick Johnson

3. Special Welcome:

New Members: None

Guest: None

Reports:

- A. Secretary's Report:** Secretary Morales briefed the report and said GM and EC minutes are completed for September and loaded in our website. A motion to accept by Vice President Whitfield, seconded by Senior Advisor Rodgers, motion was approved.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** President Manuel briefed on treasurer report since, Treasurer Menard was not present. President Manuel entertained a motion to accept treasurer's report. A motion to accept by Vice President Whitfield, seconded by Senior Advisor Rodgers, motion was approved.
- C. Legislative Report:** Trustee Rollins gave a comprehensive briefing on the October 2018 Legislative Report. The report was completed, emailed to our list server and posted to our website. A motion to accept by President Manuel, seconded by Vice President Whitfield, motion was approved.

D. Team Tinker/Quarterly: Amn Muñoz briefed monthly activities for September 2018 and stated Team Tinker Newsletter is completed, emailed to our list server and posted to our website.

E. Activities and Programs: Trustee Rollins briefed about the Legislative Awareness week and having a booth set-up at the BX Friday 12 Oct from 1100-1600hrs.

F. Airman Activities Coordinator: AAC Yewande Mohammed

- a. Veteran Day Parade Monday 12 Nov
- b. Traveling Road Show – first week of December
- c. NBA Thunder games taking place 5 Nov 18, 10 Dec 18 and 2 Apr 19

G. Membership

1. New Members: 21 new members for the month of September with 100 YTD from 7 recruiters

2. Recruiting Opportunities:

a. Membership Briefings/Drives: Legislative Awareness week with booth set-up 12 October 2018 at the BX from 1100-1600hrs.

(1) Other recruiting opportunities are:

ALS Briefs @ 1045

23 Oct 2018: _____

FTAC Briefs @ 0730

18 Oct 18: _____

8 Nov 18: _____

6 Dec 18: _____

Tinker Family Orientation @ 1300 [in place at 1245]

13 Nov 18: _____

11 Dec 18: _____

3. Renewal/Retentions: 1 retained member this month, with 5 YTD from 2 retainers.

4. Bad Address List: 0 members are on the Bad Address Listing (BAL).

5. For 2018: The chapter has produced 0 Skyhighers, 0 Highfliers, and 0 Twinfliers.

4. Old Business:

A. 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. If anyone has any other hours outside of the AAC events, please contact Yewande Mohammed to have them added. Several members of our chapter were recognized with the PVSA this year!!!! (**Open Item**).

5. New Business:

- A. Special Elections for President and Vice President:** President Manuel will PCS in December and Vice President Whitfield will not be able to take over due to work constraints. Therefore, new elections for the positions of President and Vice President were held during this general meeting. SMSgt Frank Zamorano was nominated as the only candidate for President. A motion to accept nomination and the position for president by Vice President Whitfield, seconded by Trustee Rollins, motion was approved and Historian Turner initiated SMSgt Zamorano as the new President. Additionally, there was also a nomination to fill the Vice President vacancy. Damont Cooley, Brian Pence and Hugo Perez are nominated candidates for Vice President. All members present voted for their candidate and the new Vice President is Hugo Perez. A motion to accept Perez for new Vice President by Trustee Rollins, seconded by Secretary Morales, motion approved.
- B. Education Grant:** President Manuel discussed the education grant and briefed that the application period will be from Oct through early December. The winners will be announce in December and the grants will be presented at the CCAF graduation.
- C. AFSA Traveling Show:** President Manuel briefed that this will be happening the first week of December. SrA Menchavez is the POC and he will be gathering volunteers for this event.
- D. Veteran Day Parade 12 Nov 18:** Historian Terry briefed that the Veterans Day parade will take place Monday 12 Nov in Midwest City and that we will be participating. He also asked to let him know if anyone needs an AFSA shirt.
- E. Gift-Wrapping fundraiser:** Trustee Rollins and Perez will lead this event and will coordinate to have a weekly POC. Munoz, Betty and Mohammed will take a week each as POCs. This event will run from 23 Nov – 24 Dec. Trustee Rollins met with the BX POC and asked if they will be able to donate supplies. Everything is on track and electronic sig-up sheet should be send by next week.
- F. Membership Appreciation Night:** President Manuel briefed about being in the look-out for an email announcing AFSA membership appreciation night for NBA Thunder games for 5 Nov 18, 10 Dec 18 and 23 Apr 19. Members need to be in good stand to request tickets.

6. President Manuel gave closing remarks and welcomed our new President Frank Zamorano. President Zamorano stated that he looks forward to be part of AFSA in a bigger role. Meeting adjourned at 1210hrs.

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Homero Morales, Secretary

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Blake Manuel, President