

AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2015

Welcome

President Don Kidd opened the meeting at 4:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Lockheed Martin offices located at Space Center Drive. A list of attendees is included at the bottom of these minutes.

President's Comments (Don Kidd)

General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest

Roy Griggs provided an update on contest activities. Twenty four essays were received. Twelve papers were selected and a second round of judging took place with the top six papers being determined. General Hyten will announce the winners at a future date. The winning papers will be published in Air and Space Power Journal.

AFA Mentorship Program

Roy Griggs, Mike Waters and Gayle White continue their efforts developing a Chapter Mentorship Program. Instead of recreating the services many other local organizations provide for airmen transitioning to the civil sector, the trio are creating a clearing house of local programs, organizations, and Points of Contact providing mentoring, veteran, and employment services. Roy, Mike and Gayle are researching and contacting these organizations about their services. They met with Rising Professionals. Mentoring information will be included on our Chapter web site about the organizations with a link to the National AFA Mentoring program.

2016 Air Force Ball

The 2016 Air Force Ball will be held February 12th, 2016 at the Broadmoor Convention Center. Hank is hosting Ball Planning Committee meetings. The committee is looking for entertainment and sponsors. He reminded everybody that the 2016 Ball will be the final Ball he chairs and organizes.

SNOFEST 2016

SNOFEST 2016 will be held January 22 – 24 at the Keystone Ski Resort. Our Chapter will help sponsor the event with a \$1,000 donation. For our sponsorship we will have a table where representatives are able to hand out AFA literature and soliciting memberships.

Secretary's Report (Tom Ocvirk)

September meeting minutes are drafted and were posted to the Chapter web site.

Treasurer's Report (Barbara Binn)

Income and expenses for the previous month were reviewed and discussed. Chapter income included saving account interest, donations, Community Partner renewals, and a National AFA subsidy. Expenses included donations for the Veterans' Day Parade and Snofest.

Vice President Reports

VP, Community Partners (Jeri Andrews)

No update was provided.

VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarships (TSgt Tim Tichawa)

No update was provided.

VP, Communications Report (Bill Houth)

Anyone wanting to post an announcement to our Chapter's web site should send the announcement to Linda Aldrich and Bill Houth. Articles are being collected for the next Quarterly Newsletter.

VP, Veteran's Affairs (Paul Bailey)

Paul Bailey announced the upcoming Veteran's events:

- Homeless Veteran's Day – Oct 23rd
- Veteran's Day Parade – Nov 7th
 - Theme: Honoring the Military Family
- Veteran's Day Wreath Laying at Enlisted Association – Nov 11th
- 100th Anniversary of WWI

Chapter Events & Activities

Events

Events attended by Chapter Officials in September included:

- Wing Quarterly Awards Ceremonies
- AFA National Convention & Air and Space Symposium, Washington D.C. – September 12 – 13

Upcoming Events & Activities

- Veteran's Day Parade – November 7th
- Wing Quarterly Awards Ceremonies
- Community Partners & Sijan Chapter Volunteers' Reception – November
- Snowfest (@ Keystone) – January 22 – 24, 2016

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be held November 10th at Lockheed Martin's office, Space Center Drive. The meeting will begin at 4:30 pm.

Attendees

Don Kidd - President

Linda Aldrich – Vice President

Barbara Binn - Treasurer

Tom Ocvirk - Secretary

Tim Tichawa – State AFA
President

Roy Griggs (Phone)

Bill Houth

Kristen Christy

Jason Rogers

Paul Bailey