



Air & Space Forces Association Leadership Meeting
Tuesday, 12 November 2024, 5:00 – 6:00pm (Mountain)
Location: Panara Bread, 7344 N. Academy Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO
Second Location: Zoom

Attendees: Caty Rozema, Aaron Prupas, Jennifer Miller, Coen Williams, Bruce Hall
(virtual), Gayle Divine, and Sharla Click (virtual)

Pledge of Allegiance

AFA mission statement review

OFFICER UPDATES/ACTIVITY RECAP

- **President – Caty Rozema**
 - Following the successful birthday party event at Peterson last quarter, we are planning a 1st quarter birthday party on **February 6th** at Peterson. Keeping the event at same location for consistency. We will use some of the remaining gift cards for give-a-ways. **ACTION ITEMS – Caty** will reach out to the Peterson club to book the event and will let Jennifer know when to order a ½ sheet cake.
 - Caty reported on the great response to both USAFA tours led by cadets with was a group of Silver Wing personnel in attendance. **ACTION ITEM – Caty** will contact Karl Fruendt to head the spring group tour.
- Still in need of a cyber mentor for the JROTC Cyber Patriot team. **ACTION ITEM - Caty** will compile a detailed outline of what the position requires and ask Allie to draft a flyer to email to the community partners.
- Caty sent Cliff’s email from the Mile High Chapter to Sharla for review about information on Teach of the Year.
- **ACTION ITEM – Caty** will text Col Fisher about the 310th Gala and ask Steve Gourley about the ROTC Award dates and school list.
- **Vice President – Aaron Prupas**
 - Aaron reported on the upcoming AFA Warfare Symposium on March 3-5, 2025, to be held at the Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center in Aurora, CO. The event expects over 12,000 attendees.
 - Aaron has met with city and county officials regarding Space Commands current presence and sustainability in Colorado Springs. Keeping it based in COS is best based



on National Security alone. Sharla volunteered to support with the ongoing efforts.

ACTION ITEM – **Caty** plans to send out an invite to Sijan members to meet and discuss opportunities to get involved with keeping Space Command in COS.

- **VP Finance**

- Coen Williams reported he will be leaving his position as VP of Finance with Sijan AFA to continue with his military assignments and for personal reasons. During the meeting Bruce Hall was asked if he was interested in filling Coen's position and he said yes. Bruce was appointed as the new VP of Finance. Bruce was welcomed back by all attendees.
- Two payments made by the president are allowable for reimbursement:
 - \$123 Storage unit (to NDIA via PayPal)
 - **Caty** inquired about the need to keep storing AFA items in the storage unit.
 - \$25 Periodic Report (Secretary of State via personal credit card)

- **Communications**

- Jennifer completed the latest newsletter and distributed it to AFA members. The Blue Host renewal notice is due February 15th. She recommends looking for a new company to host the Lance Sijan Website.
- **ACTION ITEMS: Jennifer** will send a request to Allie to email the Community Partners with forms attached for Scholarship Applicants and/or Teacher of the Year applicant requirements. **Jennifer** will prepare a schedule for TOY and Sharla will help.

CRITICAL NEEDS Continued...

- Identify VP of Aerospace Education
- O'Malley awards luncheon to be held in 2025? Possible date to occur concurrently with RMCS or other event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **06 Feb: Quarterly AFA Birthday Party 4:00 – 6:00 pm at the Hub at Peterson, 260 Glasgow Ave.**
- **10-13 Feb: Rocky Mtn Cyberspace Symposium (Broadmoor)**
- **3-5 Mar: AFA Warfare Symposium (Gaylord, Denver)**