

AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2014

Welcome

President Dave Shiller opened the meeting at 7:30. The meeting was held at the Lockheed Martin Corporate Business Development facility located at 985 Space Center Dr., Suite 225. A list of attendees is included at the bottom of these minutes.

President's Comments (Dave Shiller)

General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest

The Sijan Chapter sponsored the first annual General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay contest. AFA Sijan Chapter member Roy Griggs led efforts for the essay contest in coordination with HQ AFSPC. He was responsible for selecting the essay topic, determining the schedule and organizing judges. The purpose of the contest is to stimulate thought, discussion and debate on matters relating to how the Air Force and AFSPC provide space and cyberspace capabilities for the Joint Force and the Nation. The *Air and Space Power Journal* will publish the top three essays and our Chapter will award over \$2,000 in prizes. The Chapter received twenty essays by the July 31, 2014 suspense date. Judging is underway and is expected to be completed by the end of September. Planning is underway to announce contest winners.

Air Force Wounded Warriors

Air Force Wounded Warriors will be back in Colorado Springs September 22 – 26 in preparation of the inter-service Warrior Games scheduled for September 27 – October 5. Our Chapter will assist athletes in preparing for the inter-service games. The Chapter is asking all members to plan to attend the Warrior games in September and support our wounded athletes.

AFA Mentorship Program

Roy Griggs and Gayle White are leading the Chapter's AFA Mentorship Program. The program, initiated by AFA National, is designed to assist Air Force personnel with their transition to civilian life. This program, Airmen Helping Airmen, will put recently retired or separating AF personnel in touch with a mentor in their field of work. Roy is coordinating our efforts with local Base TAP program representatives. Volunteers are needed to act as mentors to out-processing or retiring Air Force service members. Contact Roy Griggs or Gayle White for more information about volunteering for the program.

2015 Air Force Ball

The 2015 Air Force Ball will be held Friday, March 20, 2015 at the Broadmoor Hotel. Anyone interested in assisting with Ball planning and execution can contact any Sijan Chapter Board member.

2014 AFA National Convention

Thirteen state delegates are attending this year's national convention, September 13 & 14th at the Gaylord Hotel in Washington D.C. President Dave Shiller, VP Linda Aldrich, Barbara and Brian Binn and Sharon White will be attending and representing for our Chapter.

Chapter Board Elections

Elections for next year's Sijan Chapter board are right around the corner. Any chapter member interested in serving can contact any current board member.

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

President Dave Shiller researched and gained approval to have the Sijan Chapter designated as non-profit organization that can receive CFC donations. For this year's campaign, AFA National will receive any designated contributions and will split the contribution 50-50. In subsequent years, donations will come directly to the Sijan Chapter. Thank you Dave.

Secretary's Report (Tom Ocvirk)

August meeting minutes were published and posted to the Chapter web site.

Treasurer's Report (Barbara Binn)

Income and expenses for the previous month were reviewed and discussed. The Chapter received income from the Pikes Peak Range Riders pancake breakfast, from a Chapter member and from checking account interest. Expenses for the month included: paying the costs for an Air Force Wounded Warriors Sports Camp lunch, hosting the AFA State Awards banquet and Colorado State fees to register as a non-profit organization.

Vice President Reports

VP, Community Partners (Jeri Andrews)

No update was provided.

VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarships (Lt Col Kimberly Fox)

Our Chapter assisted in sponsoring the STEM Rocks event at Peterson AFB held August 28, 2014.

VP, Communications Report (Bill Houth)

No update was provided.

VP, Veteran's Affairs (Kevin Estrem)

No update was provided.

Chapter Events & Activities

Events

Events attended by Chapter Officials in August included:

- AF Wounded Warrior Team Visit (August 4 - 8)
- IMAGE Golf Tournament (August 8)
- Range Riders Sponsors Reception (August 20)
- STEM Rocks, Peterson AFB (August 28)

Upcoming Events & Activities

- AFA National Convention, Gaylord Hotel, Washington D.C. (September 12 – 14)
- Multi-Sponsor Luncheon w/Gen Hyten (Sept)
- Air Force Wounded Warrior Training Camp (September 22 – 26)
- Warrior Games (September 27 – October 5)
- Chapter Board Elections (September)

Other Business

None

Next Meeting: October 14, 2014 at the Lockheed Martin office on Space Center Drive (Suite 225) at 7:30 am

Attendees

Dave Shiller

Barbara Binn

Tom Ocvirk (by phone)

Hank Scarangella

Bob Cooper (by phone)

Gayle White (by phone)

Roy Griggs (by phone)

Sharon White (by phone)