AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2015

Welcome

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

President's Comments (Don Kidd)

Community Partners and Volunteer Reception

Vice President for Community Partners, Jeri Andrews, will plan and organize a reception Community Partners in the January timeframe. Exact Date TBD. Kristen Christy has volunteered to assist in the planning and set up.

Schriever Essay Contest-Next Steps

Roy Griggs provided an update on the results of the Schriever Essay Contest. A presentation is scheduled for December 10th (time TBD) with Gen Hyten and Don Kidd doing the honors. The ceremony will be in the auditorium of the HQ AFSPC Bldg, which is in the front hallway, so entry access will not be required. An invitation should be send out via Constant Contact. The event will be specifically for the Schriever Essay Contest winners as opposed to being combined with any other event. Roy Griggs met with the AFSPC contacts and a request was made to expand the contest next year to include a category for first term airmen. Dave Shiller will take for action. The cost of trophies was \$182 for the top three essays was; certificates will be given to those who received Honorable Mention.

Air Force Ball

Hank Scarangella updated the Chapter on planning activities. The event will take place on February 12th in the International Center in Colorado Hall. Hank met with the liaisons from Space Command; they have already reached out to the other commands and are fully engaged in supporting the event. The issue of Special Tables is still TBD. They have posed the question of whether or not organizations could do fund raisers in conjunction with the Ball, i.e., sell items at tables at the Ball. Hank does not see an issue with this suggestion, but Sharon White will discuss with the Broadmoor personnel. Changes in personnel at the Broadmoor are being addressed by Sharon since it involves making arrangements with individuals the committee has not worked with in the past. Rebecca Decker has volunteered to be the Publicity Chair and Kristen Christy will be working with Ewa Folden on Sponsorships. A mini-tasting will be at the Broadmoor in December and the liaisons suggested inviting Mrs. Hyten. Shiki Das will handle entertainment, which will be Martini Shot. Tickets sales will begin December 10th and close February 5th. Gayle White is in charge of the O'Malley award.

Silver Wings Support No update was available. Tim Tichawa was scheduled to attend a recent meeting.

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Event

The Navy League will again sponsor a Pearl Harbor Remembrance ceremony, with the 6 survivors from the Colorado Springs area in attendance, as well as other WWII veterans. The Chapter will provide \$250 for sponsorship and Chapter membership will attend.

Stellar Explorers

Competition will begin in the near future and there are currently 13 schools signed up with 27 more schools being contacted. The Chapter will provide the \$200 entrance fee for the Vista Ridge High School of the Falcon School District # 49.

Cyber Patriot

Competition is being coordinated through AFA National.

Secretary's Report (Tom Ocvirk)

October meeting minutes were published and posted to the Chapter website.

Treasurer's Report (Barbara Binn)

Income and expenses for the previous month were reviewed and discussed. The 2016 Budget inputs will be discussed at a meeting of the officers in the December time frame. With the conversion of some available funding to CDs, the amount of interest income as nearly tripled. The Chapter received \$250 from a private donor.

Vice President Reports

VP, Community Partners (Jeri Andrews)

Update provided by Hank Scarangella regarding AF Ball: Corporate tables sales will be raised to \$1900 to included Community Partnership memberships and \$1800 for current Community Partners.

VP, Aerospace Education (Tim Tichawa)

No update was provided.

VP, Website and Newsletter Report (Bill Houth) Bill is in need of information for the 4th Quarter Newsletter. He will need President's comments and any suggestions for material from this quarter.

VP, Veteran's Affairs (Paul Bailey) No update was provided.

Other Business

Roy Griggs will set up a meeting time with Mike Waters, Gayle White, and Bill Houth for discussion of establishing a mentoring website.

Need to determine is the Chapter will be involved in Wing Open Boxing now that Robert Cooper will not be here to make arrangements.

Barb Binn is checking on queries from new members.

Chapter Events and Activities

- Veterans Day Wreath Laying at TREA (November 11) (Paul Bailey)
- USAFA Candidates Interviews (November 21-22) (Linda Aldrich)
- Activity/Budget Planning for 2016 (Date TBD)
- Tri-Command Holiday Party (December 5—Invitation Only) (Donn Kidd/Linda Aldrich)
- Schriever Essay Award Winner Presentations (December 10) (Gen Hyten/Don Kidd)
- State AFA Mtg (Date TBD)
- SNOFEST (January 22-24)
- AF Ball (February 12)

Next Meeting

The next Chapter meeting will be held December 15th at Lockheed Martin's office, Space Center Drive. The meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Attendees

Don Kidd--PresidentLinda Aldrich--Vice PresidentHank ScarangellaRoy GriggsJerry White (Phone)

Barbara Binn--Treasurer Bill Houth (Phone)