

AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, 14 April 2020, 4:30 – 5:30pm (Mountain)
Location: Call in Only
Dial 301-909-7352; Meeting number (access code): 24732270

Attendees: Linda, Doc, Angelo, Doug, Dave, Caty, Kristen

President's Comments/Update (Doc Apodaca)

- *Wellness check on everyone*: checked up on how everyone is doing
- *Caution with Covid-19 handouts*: discussed all the info that's been put out in the public
- Events moving forward: difficult to say in the near term; Space Symposium and other events are all being pushed out too; keep our eyes on it
- *Share a Silver Wings story*: good news story—received a thank you from the recipient of Sijan funding; all those registrants for this year will be rolled over to next year
- *AF Ball* – turn most of update over to Caty; but noted that a finance guy is willing to help Caty; Linda asked to have the Sijan Finance guy track all to turn over to Felipe for tax filings

Vice President's Comments/Update (Angelo Bryant)

- *Angelo will be helping Caty with the AF Ball; asked have we finalized Constant Contact list? Team started cleaning it up in January, but didn't want to discard any email addresses...still need to complete cleanup of the list; FaceBook & Instagram: do we have good passwords? Bill owns most of this area for the Sijan chapter*

State President's Comments (Linda Aldrich)

- *Awards* – sent out an attachment listing what Sijan awarded last year for State Awards; Doc needs to get his board together to recommend awardees; chapter awards: we're a little short on material to recommend us for awards, but many chapters are in the same situation so submit anyway

- *State Convention Update*: not worried about having it on 15 August, but Mel Harmon (Pueblo), but their support are all small businesses which are struggling right now. Suggestion for comments: maybe we recognize AFA vice military—usually have to come up with 50+ meals; lots of \$\$ that won't be there. Linda wants to ensure AFA members get recognized and gives us a year to regroup and decide how to transition to Space Force. Discussion followed; Linda is going to talk with Mel Harmon and get a way ahead

Treasurer's Report (Bill Houth) ABSENT

- *Monthly Report*:

Secretary's Report (Doug Kendall)

- Thanked the board and encouraged team to hang in there during this difficult time

Vice Presidents' Reports:

VP, Membership (Kristen Christy)

- Haven't seen for reports for new members—has anyone else? No, Doc will ask the POC. Doesn't think it's a good time for reaching out to folks; looking at doing a "self-resiliency workshop" for military spouses—use as membership drive; not doing a "Key Spouse" luncheon now—maybe in the Fall. Linda requested updates for the newsletter.

VP, Community Partners (Jeri Andrews) ABSENT

- TBD

VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarships (Dave Geuting)

- *Update on Schriever AFB scholarships & Teachers of the Year:* prior to board meeting today, Dave sent out proposal to award the two scholarships that were submitted; in general, submittals have dropped big time, primarily due to the pandemic. So, we should probably take a breather in soliciting for more packages. Sent the two packages to his committee today to get recommendations. Teacher of the Year: only one nomination (Mary Gregory from Lewis Palmer HS—very active in Space & STEM) this year from Space Foundation (Challenger has dropped off sending in nominations); Doc approved. General scholarships from High Schools way down—so two college and one HS nominations. Proposes giving them both \$1,000 (saves us about \$3,500); recommends HS nomination receives Wright scholarship (\$3,000 per year for 4 years)—great nomination. Will send to Wright family for approval.

VP, Communications Report (Bill Houth) ABSENT

- *Website update*

- TBD

VP, Veteran's Affairs (Willie Kalaskie) ABSENT

-TBD

VP, Programs (Gayle/Brandi) ABSENT

- *Update AF Ball:*

VP, Community Relations (TSgt Shierae Bryan) ABSENT (working crisis action team at base)

- *Update on fundraisers*

Other Business:

- *AF Ball Updates (Caty)*—pleased to report that prior to pandemic, doing well on sponsorships (\$60,000 to date); asked opinion: doesn't think we should reach out during this time—AFA Board agrees

- appropriate way ahead right now is a “non-ask” position, but still meet / reach out / talk with folks and continue messaging.

- Subcommittee still doing all the messaging on social apps

- Gayle & Brandi working photography still

- Checking on O'Malley award

- Need help on Community Partner and Sponsorships—Doc will make connections to see about getting off Caty's plate

- Doc and the Board members appreciate and support all the work Caty is doing, especially during this difficult time

UPCOMING AFA EVENTS 2020

May 2020

12 – Board Meeting

25 – Memorial Day

June 2020

9 – Board Meeting

July 2020

4 – Fourth of July

14 – Board Meeting

August 2020

15 – State Convention and Awards Banquet

September 2020

7 – Labor Day

8 – Board Meeting

18 – AF Ball

October 2020

12 – Columbus Day

13 – Board Meeting

31 Oct – 4 Nov – National Space Symposium

November 2020

10 – Board Meeting

11 – Veterans Day

26 – Thanksgiving Day