

**AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, 10 August 2021, 5:00 – 6:00pm (Mountain)**  
**Location: 625 Suffolk St. Bldg 863, Peterson AFB, CO 80914;**  
**Detachment 4 Ingelido Conference Room (ICR)**  
**Dial-in: Commercial: 1-301-909-7352**  
**Access Code: 24732270**

**Attendees: Angelo, Doug, Paul, Linda, Brylie, DJ, Caty**

**Began Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**President's Comments/Update (Angelo Bryant)**

- *Sanity Check*: masks are mandated again; vaccinations will probably be required by mid-Sept (military, DoD & contractors); want to get together face-to-face in spite of this—we need connectedness; looking for a place off base to get together

- *Training Update*: encourage everyone to get training on their position on the AFA portal

- *August/September priorities update*: lots of open, vacant positions (PCS's); let Angelo know if you know of anyone who would be willing to fill these roles; discussed some places to meet off-base

-- *Executive Council Member vacancy updates*: Membership VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarship VP, Veteran's Affairs VP, Government Relations VP, Community Relations VP

-- *Additional Support needed*: Need ideas for off base meeting places (21 Seed Library)

-- *Storage inventory (Oct)*: We share a storage space with NDIA; want to go through it all in October to clear it out of unnecessary things.

-- *Space Force Birthday (Dec)*: Do we want to purchase Cake/cupcakes pending COVID status?(Bldg 1) Find a cake company to reach to, to become a sponsor (DJ will follow up with a couple ideas; the Board voted yes to get a cake and try to get a bakery to become our CP

-- Holiday Reception? Angelo will contact NDIA Pres Philp Kwong

**Vice President's Comments/Update (Paul Bailey)**

- About to travel out, but reachable via E-mail

- Discussed a way ahead for the coming months; we participated as "Santa Trackers" in the past (lots of fun—one-hour shifts); depends on COVID restrictions;

- Consider doing a Sijan Chapter mask (Paul will check on it) and could do Chapter Polo Shirts—Paul will check on prices; do some research: Liz Anderson Pro-Forma does these Polo shirts, but may be retiring but could still do it

- If we can have a F2F, we have found Chapter coins that could be a source of income

**State President's Comments (Linda Aldrich)**

- *State Convention, August 14 at American Legion in Pueblo*: thanked everyone who signed up for the dinner; Teacher of the Year is very excited and invited 16 members—so we're looking forward; speaker is Matt Albright & local dance group will entertain

- Wanted to ensure we have the plaque for Linda's realtor who sold the house and become a CP

- Need to know who the next person is for the Newsletter that we want to feature (DJ)

**Treasurer's Report** (Brylie Button) (PCS'ing in about 6 months)

- *Monthly Report*: our account is looking great and can support the Ball and other events
- *Caty*: should get a \$50 donation for someone who registered an extra person than planned

**Secretary's Report** (Doug Kendall)

- Participating in IMAGE golf tournament; Doug will take pictures
- Attending the State Convention this Saturday in Pueblo

**Vice Presidents' Reports:**

**VP, Membership** (VACANT) we need to find someone for this job!

- *Reports for new members*:

**VP, Community Partners** (DJ Marquez)

- Emailed everyone on her list of CPs; and want to give them plaques and letters; meeting next with KBR; talked about coins (National) and once she gives it to KBR, we're out. Reached out to National and the lists of CPs are different. Keeping track on who DJ has met and given plaques to. Angelo requested a list of those who haven't responded

**VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarships** (Dave Geuting) ABSENT

- *Update on Schriever AFB scholarships & Teachers of the Year*: no update
- *Cyber Patriot camps ARE happening this year*—we're in the registration time frame; should contact schools
- *Stellar Xplorers*—time to register; should contact schools
- Space Foundation/Stellar Xplorer POC (suggestion Space Foundation, Elementary, Middle School, Wings of over the Rockies (By Centennial Airport)- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month in Denver offer free flight incentive flight)
- *Re CCAF/Pitsenbarger Award update*—no update

**VP, Communications Report** (Bill Houth) ABSENT

- *Website update*:

**VP, Veteran's Affairs** (VACANT)

- *Upcoming events*:
  - *Veteran's Day Parade (6 November, 10am) update*: (JROTC opportunity)
  - Need to know if schools are aware of this opportunity. Falcon is the only Space Force unit.
  - Would someone be willing to reach out and be the POC (learn from Paul)
- *Wreath update (11 November)*: Special Force Association is coordinating and heading
- Wreaths across America- 1st or 2nd Week of Dec (Reference can be provided)

**VP, Government Relations** (VACANT)

- *Updates*: going down to Congressman Lamborn's office next week—did contact him; Senator's office—trying to get appointment with VA's rep;

**VP, Programs** (Gayle/Brandi) ABSENT

**VP, Community Relations (VACANT)**

- *Update on Space Force:*

**Other Business:**

- *AF Ball Updates (Coty): 18 September 2021 (AF Birthday)*

Coty: huge shout-out to getting the word out about attending this; need leadership help and engagement on this (push it down and show up); will reach out to Protocol again;

- Just under 300 members register after 1 month down and 1 more to go.; if you can spare an hour on base to encourage people sign up at Peterson or Schriever. Dropping off flyers everywhere.

- **No Mask or COVID constraints as of right now.**

- **Recruit by bringing in people**

- Good shape with the planning; just need people to sign up; tracking COVID restrictions—hoping for the best; we need to get out in front of people, schools, military, etc. It's all about relationships—need to interact with them; need to put out descriptions of the jobs we need filled; let folks know what they are signing up for

- Angelo totally endorses this—need to be more personable; Angelo will initiate an email tonight to mind meld with board members how to get this done

- If you're not getting emails or info let Angelo know; **next month's meeting will be September 7th**

**UPCOMING AFA EVENTS 2021**

**August 2021**

10 – Board Meeting

14 – State Convention at American Legion Hall

18 – IMAGE Golf

**September 2021**

6 – Labor Day

7 – Board Meeting

18 – AF Ball at Broadmoor

**October 2021**

12 – Board Meeting

31 – Halloween

**November 2021**

9 – Board Meeting

25 – Happy Thanksgiving!

**December 2021**

14 – Board Meeting

25 – Merry Christmas!

**January 2022**

1 – Happy New Year!

11 – Board Meeting

17 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Day