



Air & Space Forces Association Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, 09 Sept 2025, 5:00 – 6:00pm (Mountain)

Location: Panera Bread or Virtual via TEAMS

Attendees: Caty Rozema, Aaron Prupas, Dave Geuting, Jennifer Hall and Gayle Divine

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Caty reviewed our mission statement:

Our mission is to promote dominant U.S. Air & Space Forces as the foundation of a strong National Defense; to honor and support our Airmen, Guardians, and their Families; and to remember and respect our enduring Heritage.

OFFICER UPDATES/ACTIVITY RECAP

President – Caty Rozema

- The Colorado State AFA Awards Banquet was held on August 23rd in Aurora, CO and was hosted by the Mile High Chapter. Tensley Consulting, Inc was the Title Sponsor, City Light & Power was the Silver Sponsor and Kearney & Company, and Mile High Chapter #127 were the Table Sponsors. Master of Ceremonies was Stephen Gourley and Retired Chief Master Sergeant Robert “Rob” Devall, Director of Military Affairs Aurora Chamber of Commerce, was the event speaker. The band Nomad Neighbors played throughout the night. Fifteen nationals, twenty-six state AFA awards and thirty-six military awards were presented to the outstanding nominees.
- The Joint Holiday Party “Naughty and Nice” is scheduled for December 18 at the Doubletree. Sponsorships will help to lower the cost to \$25 per person. Gayle volunteered to acquire raffle prizes for the event. Caty will ask the Nomad Band to provide entertainment. The plan is to create a flyer with a QR code registration for the attendees.
- The third quarter Birthday party was held on August 14 at The Hub. General Shaw was playing guitar in Space Jam during the party and shared a piece of cake with us. Two cakes were enjoyed by the military members during the night.
- The IMAGE Tournament was Tuesday 26 Aug at the Eisenhower Golf Course at the AF Academy. Proceeds go toward scholarships and STEM activities. Gayle represented the chapter and spoke at the event.

Vice President – Aaron Prupas

- Aaron announced his departure due to relocation but will remain involved nationally. Jennifer mentioned we will need to discuss targeted messaging for filling his position in the next couple of months. Plans were discussed for Aaron to write and share a personal op-ed about AFA on LinkedIn to boost visibility and engagement, leveraging his many followers in an effort to find a replacement.



Secretary – Gayle Divine

- Caty, Gayle and her husband Tom attended the birthday party at Peterson. Gayle worked registration at the IMAGE tournament. She attended the Awards Banquet and reported it was a huge success.

VP of Aerospace Education – Dave Geuting

- Our chapter’s Teacher of the Year winner, Amy Robinson, attended the awards banquet, and she received her TOY certificate and check.

Communications – Jennifer Hall

- Jennifer noted an interest in finding a communications expert familiar with Constant Contact to optimize metrics and targeting or exploring a more manageable communication platform. Constant Contact is extremely powerful but also very complex. She has been doing a lot of cleanup of the distribution lists. She noted there are currently 3,000 AFA Sijan Chapter members. Membership involvement remains low relative to total number of members at less than 10% active.
- Jennifer will send out the October newsletter so needs input in the next three weeks or so. It previously received positive feedback.

Finance – Jennifer Hall (for Bruce Hall)

- It is no longer necessary to send Bruce copies of the bank statements as he receives them digitally.

Other Business

- The impact of the US Space Command relocation decision poses a strategic risk to the chapter’s mission and local community support, necessitating ongoing engagement with officials like Senator Hickenlooper to mitigate potential losses.

Upcoming Events

Sept 21-22: National AFA Conference

Nov 15: Quarterly AFA meeting