



Air & Space Forces Association
Lance P. Sijan Chapter #125
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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2025

East Library & Virtual via TEAMS

Attendees: (in person) Dave Geuting, Bruce Hall, Jennifer Hall; no virtual attendees

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Welcome and President's Comments – Dave remarked about how much was accomplished over veteran's week including attendance at the Veteran's Day Parade and the Profiles in Valor Awards Dinner.
- III. Secretary's Report/Acceptance of Minutes – no report. Jennifer sent out draft October minutes shortly before the meeting. She will wait for Dave to review/comment then post.
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Bruce reported there has not been much activity. We received a deposit of \$11,000 from IMAGE. Our balance is increasing mainly because we aren't spending, although we did spend \$3000 last month (donations to the Veteran's Day Parade and Profiles in Valor Awards).
- V. State President Comments – no report.
- VI. Old Business
 - a. Schriever CCAF Graduation – Awardees haven't received their checks yet. Dave will check into it with National.
 - b. Joint Holiday Party – Bruce dropped off the deposit to Doubletree. We have about 40 registrants to date. Jennifer recommended we set up a separate meeting with Caty in the next couple of weeks to get an update and find out where she could use assistance. Topics to cover:
 - i. Santa and Grinch, Photographer
 - ii. Food
 - iii. Decorations
 - iv. Entertainment/Music
 - v. Sponsors
 - vi. Overall budget



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- c. Veterans Week Activities – Dave attended the In Their Honor Purple Heart Reception at the Fine Arts Center. Jennifer and Bruce attended the Parade, and all three attended the Profiles in Valor Awards hosted by the Colorado Springs Hispanic Chamber. Dave also attended the Veteran’s Ceremony at Mitchell High School. In addition, Bruce Hall represented the Sijan chapter at the Veteran’s Day Wreath Laying ceremony at Memorial Park where there was a notable presence of purple heart veterans and about 9 Air Force veterans. On a related note, we need to get a wreath stand and storage box. Jennifer will work on sprucing up our wreath and Bruce will look into a new sash for it as well.
- d. Quarterly State Business Meeting – The Sijan chapter hosted the meeting at the Academy Hotel. One of the attendees mentioned they noticed us on a TV spot of the Veteran’s Day wreath laying.
 - i. We will host the 3rd quarter state meeting next year because we’re hosting the banquet during 3rd quarter.
 - ii. There is concern from National about Form 990’s that haven’t been filed (in general). Bruce filed ours for 2024; our chapter is good.
 - iii. We received our certificate from national for our aerospace education award.
- e. F2 Pinning at Space Force OTC Graduation – Dave attended on Oct 31. Although we were introduced, the script didn’t say who pins were from. Dave provided feedback to National recommending this be added.
- f. Annual Activity & Financial Reports due December 15 – Dave & Bruce will complete once the new form is posted. It has not been published yet.
- g. Colorado AFA Annual Awards Banquet – Sijan chapter is hosting next summer. We are responsible for securing a venue. Dave will find out from Linda which chapters are doing what:
 - i. Venue: Some possibilities to investigate are Flying W Ranch, Doubletree, Arnold Hall, Club at Peterson or AF Academy, Pikes Peak Center
 - ii. Speaker: Idea to share Jose Sarduy
 - iii. Music/Entertainment
 - iv. Sponsors



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VII. New Business

- a. Quarterly Birthday Party at Peterson SFB Hub – This Thursday, Nov 20. Dave has the tub and will make sure there are plates, forks, napkins, and gift cards. Jennifer will have the cake.
- b. Storage facility – Bruce visited to try a key he found he had and noticed a banner (outdated) among other items there. We should inventory the contents.
- c. Wreaths Across America – Dave coordinated to acquire a sign-up page for our chapter. So far we have one wreath sponsored. Dave will consider coffee/bagel for volunteers before wreath laying and let Jennifer know for publication in a reminder email in early December.
- d. Stockings for Kids, Early Connections Learning Center – We are asking for donations and volunteers. The donations are any amount in \$25 increments. Our goal is \$1500 which will cover costs for the 12 military kids. Shopping will be at Walmart on Nov 29 with a limit of \$125/kid. The chapter will cover any gap between donations and our \$1500 goal. Jennifer will also be meeting with Early Connections leadership after the holidays about support through F2 grant possibilities.
- e. AFROTC Operating Location at UCCS – The nearest AFROTC location is CU Boulder (DET 105). Local participants have to go to Boulder weekly. There is enough interest at UCCS to establish an operating location there locally next school year (Aug 2026). We will support them; possibly help provide funds if they can help provide volunteer hours for us.
- f. Air & Space Forces Ball Idea – Joe Kahoe reached out to Dave and wants to talk about resurrecting the AFA Ball. He thinks he has enough sway to pull it away from Space Force Association for 2027. Given the relative small size of the target communities in Colorado Springs, combining our efforts into a single ball would likely benefit both the SFA and AFA.
- g. IMAGE Spending Proposal – Tom Walker from LMCO asked Dave his thoughts about donating all funds earned from IMAGE to the rocket challenge. They want to expand from just school district 11 to also include D20. Their need is \$65,000. We use IMAGE to fund scholarships, so we don't want to release all of our funds. We might still consider a donation toward their effort.