



MEETING MINUTES
Executive Council Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, 3 May 2011

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Jeff Liffick was unable to attend; Vice President Shiela Wallace called the meeting to order at 1130 Hours.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Attendees introduced themselves.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

88th ABW – Randy Parker:

- Installation Stats:
 - # currently deployed installation-wide = 467
 - # currently deployed for ABAW = 178
 - # returned in April = 52
 - # departed in April = 75
- Past Events:
 - 14 April – 88th ABW Awards Recognition Ceremony
 - 15 April – Foreign Liaison Officer Annual Banquet
 - 29 April – Fisher House Ribbon Cutting
 - 30 April – Fisher House All-American Evening
 - 30 April – Team W-P Promotion Ceremony
- Upcoming Events:
 - 4 May – Team W-P Awards Quarterly Awards Lunch
 - 13 May – AFRL Change of Command
 - 20 May – Security Forces Ribbon Cutting
 - 21 May – Hometown Heroes
 - 25 May – Honorary Commanders Tour
 - 27 May – AFMC Family Day
 - 30 May – Memorial Day Holiday
 - 31 May – Team W-P Promotion Ceremony

445th AW – Col. Stephen Goeman:

- The Wing was designated as the recipient of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for 2010.
- Approximately 85 Airmen are currently deployed.
- The C-17 Mission Transition is on track. Four C-17s are currently on-station. We are still operating C-5 missions through FY 2011.

- On Friday, 8 July 2011, the C-17 Welcoming Ceremony Dinner will be hosted at the WPAFB Club by the 445th AW, Boeing, and the Reserve Officers Association.
- On Saturday, 9 July 2011, a Ceremony will be held in one of the 445th AW's large hangars at 1000 Hours (time is tentative).
- Invitations will be sent out shortly.

178th FW – Col. Mike Roberts: Not present.

ROTC/Arnold Air Society – Lt. Col. Joseph Bouchard, Jr.: Not present.

Capt. Rich Graham gave the report for ROTC:

- We are finalizing the semester and getting cadets ready for field training.
- 25 cadets will be sent to field training this summer.
- We will also begin preparing this summer for our upcoming IG inspection which will take place in November.

Maj. Jason Mills, Squadron Commander, gave the report for the Arnold Air Society:

- Arnold Air Society just initiated its second rotation class into the Society for a gain of 13 active members.
- Cadets Mills and Impellizzeri were sent as representatives for a four-day business meeting known as NATCON in New York City the previous week. This annual meeting (or National Conclave) is where Arnold Air Society approves resolutions and changes to policy for the upcoming year. This year we had attendance of over 600 cadets from all across the nation.
- The Society has been active in making connections with the community for service opportunities, including organizing a team to help with the upcoming Air Force Marathon.

Junior ROTC – Col. Fred Schuster:

- Tecumseh High School, OH-881 Drill Meet T-shirts are available for those who requested them.
- We have a meeting with Jeanette Monaghan, head of the USAF Marathon organizing, about Tecumseh Junior ROTC's participation and support for the 16 September 2011 Marathon. We will man the baggage claim tent, runners food tent, and the finish line. We will catch and fold the American flag carried by the parachute jumper at the opening ceremonies. We had 78 cadets from Tecumseh OH-881 help last year and will have approximately the same number this year.
- All eight Wright Memorial Chapter 212 \$500.00 Junior ROTC Scholarships have been awarded for this year. The checks for the scholarships will be given to each cadet when they verify they are both enrolled in college and been accepted by the Air Force ROTC Program.
- Today is voting day and we are anxiously awaiting the results of the latest levy count in Clark County for our school system. There are currently over 200 schools in the state of Ohio in various stages of fiscal crisis due to the "broken" state funding system for Ohio schools. The result is that many Junior ROTC units will face the budget axe by not being a required course for

high school graduation. Our unit at Tecumseh will be facing this action at the end of the next school year if a levy is not passed by Spring 2012.

- Added a comment at the end of the meeting to say that the Honor Flight Program started up again last Saturday.

Civil Air Patrol – Lt. Col. Kenneth E. Curell: Not present.

Dayton Development Coalition (DDC) – Colleen Ryan: Not present. Shiela Wallace provided the following:

- The staff is currently away taking part in the 3-4 May 2011 Annual Community Leader Fly-In to Washington, DC.
- Colleen Ryan will be leaving in mid-May to join Vectren.
- Joe Zeis will begin attending the AFA Chapter Meetings.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mary Bloyd:

- Dee Cox will be handling the RSVP's for the Chapter Monthly Meetings.
- Shiela Wallace remarked that several credit cards used for lunch payment are reaching expiration, and asked members to be sure to give Dee the updated information when their cards are renewed.
- As a reminder, the Monthly Meeting Minutes are published and available on the Chapter website at www.afadaytonwright.com. Click on "Monthly Meetings" under the "Chapter Info" link on the home page.
- Emails will be sent to members when pertinent information becomes available that members need to know, such as the current procedure for Base access to attend the monthly meetings.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob VanHook:

- The beginning balance for April 2011 was \$167,707.
- Expenses for April were \$62,190 and Deposits were \$65,900.
- \$20,000 was transferred from the Major to the Main Account.
- The ending balance for April 2011 was \$171,417.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2011 Vectren Dayton Air Show – 23-24 July – Jim Heitz:

- Everything is on target financially for the five chalets the chapter will host at the Air Show. Food and beverages will be served throughout the day in these air-conditioned facilities.
- Key volunteers are back to help make it another successful AFA event, made possible by our generous sponsors. So the AFA will again have a substantial footprint at the Air Show.
- Information on tickets will be on the Chapter website by mid-June.

2011 Special Events – Jeff Liffick: Not present.

- 5 May – Dayton Dragons Baseball Game: Shiela Wallace mentioned that the Chapter will have five suites and a party deck. Tickets are still available at a cost of \$30.00; you can register online. The vast majority of our Star

Sponsors will be with us on Thursday. The doors will open at 6:00 PM. The reason Kent Owsley is not here today is that if anyone needs to pick up your tickets, you can stop by his office to pick them up; or you can write him a check or give him cash if you want to pick up tickets.

- 24 June – AFMC Freedom’s Call Tattoo
- 23-24 July – Vectren Dayton Air Show:
- 24 August – AFMC Air Force Anniversary Ball: Vita Eonta mentioned that help is needed for the Silent Auction, before and on the day of the Ball. If anyone is willing to donate some time, it requires calling our Star Sponsors and Community Partners, and following up on a letter asking for donations. On the day of the Ball, help is needed to actually carry in the donations and set them up on the tables
- 17 September – Air Force Marathon

2011 Marathon – Fred Pumroy: Not present.

USATT Expo -- Kent Owsley: Not present. Shiela Wallace gave a quick update.

- Shiela, Jeff Liffick and Kent Owsley met about a week ago on this topic. It does appear that we will be able to have an Expo in 2013.
- We are working to get our Department of Commerce accreditation and this is underway.
- We are looking to have a meeting with the five-member Board of the Expo – that is Bob Spear and Scott Cole from Dayton Defense, a member from NDIA who is Robbie Robinson, and our two AFA members who are Kent and John McCance. Kent is the Chairman of the committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Leadership Development/Awards – Ron Georges:

- Individual awards have been submitted and should be on their way to National.
- We have presented ourselves for the Aerospace Excellence Award again this year and that has gone to Jeff Liffick.
- We will hear about these in the June timeframe.

Communications – Tom Dinino: Not present.

Community Partners – Gary Strack: Not present. Submitted the following report for publication in the May Meeting Minutes:

- Community Partner plaques were delivered to the NCR Country Club and the Crowne Plaza Hotel.
- All 23 of the Community Partners with expired memberships were contacted and invited to renew their memberships. Alion Science and Technology, Evanhoe & Associates, Inc., The Wood Works, Sawdey Solution Services, Quantech Services, and the City of Riverside renewed their memberships.

- Rockwell Collins, Hilton Garden Inn Hotel, and Mark Metzner Consulting Services all provided verbal commitments that they will renew their memberships soon.
- Still waiting on word from the others but am hopeful several more will also renew their memberships.
- Met with Vita Eonta and Dee Cox in April to establish a process for signing up our Star Sponsors as Community Partners as a complimentary benefit of their Star Sponsorship.
- Will begin active recruitment of additional Community Partners this month.

Membership – Dee Cox: Not present.

Aerospace Education – Sharon Murner:

- The AFA Wright Memorial Chapter #212 Educator’s Action Team held the last of the three Teacher Workshops for the 2010-2011 school year on 16 April 2011 at the Holiday Inn Dayton Mall (a Community Partner).
- The Workshop enabled over 80 teachers who participated to earn a total of four Continuing Education Units sponsored by Wright State University. Following welcome remarks by Dann Andrews, then Interim but now Chief of the WPAFB Educational Outreach Office, the teachers broke out into their choice of various sessions:
 - Dan Edwards of WDTN on “Body Language”
 - Krista Gerhardt, WOW Program Coordinator, and AERO Wizard, Col. Ronald J. Stauffer, on “Glide Right – Flying A Model Glider”
 - Starbase educators Angela Riethman with Jason Streiff and Connie Jensen on “Smart Board for Elementary Science Applications”
- Following the luncheon, the Educator’s Action Team announced that Marcus Petitjean was not only the AFA Chapter’s Teacher of the Year but also the State of Ohio’s Teacher of the Year. And he is being placed in competition for the AFA National Teacher of the Year.
- The winners of the AFA Educator’s Grants were recognized.
- Judith Wehn, Chief of the Education Division, NMUSAF, and Bernie Skoch, Cyber Patriot Commissioner, gave presentations.
- Following these presentations, the teachers attended their choice of various sessions:
 - Judith Wehn on “Take Flight Using Rubber Band Powered Airplanes”
 - Tim Pinkerton and Janet Barnard, previous Teachers of the Year, on “Magic or Science on Discrepant Events”
 - The Starbase educators on “Smart Board for Junior/Senior High School Application”
- Tom Jenkins, previously an AFA State of Ohio Teacher of the Year, received a letter asking him to apply again for AFA National Teacher of the Year. Papers were sent to national on his behalf.

- The USA Today Visions Program for the 2010-2011 school year has come to an end. The teachers are doing their surveys to let us know if they would like to reserve a classroom set of USA Today for next year.
- After taking a short break, the Educator's Action Team will work on new workshops during the summer for the 2011-2012 school year.

Programs – Fred Pumroy: Not present.

Government Relations – Ron Thompson: Nothing to report. Mentioned the Great Lakes AFA Symposium, to be held on 20-21 May 2011 at Grissom Air Reserve Base, Indiana, in case anyone is interested in attending.

Veterans Affairs – George Simons/Vita Eonta: The AFA/AFSA co-sponsored Summer Picnic will be held on Saturday, 4 June 2011.

State of Ohio President's Report – Kent Owsley: Not present.

- Shiela Wallace reported the State Meeting was held on 16 May, the same day as the Teacher Workshops. The meeting was well-received and we had a lot more participation than has been seen sometimes. We had a group from Indiana, Cincinnati, Columbus and Youngstown.
- On the education side for the State, besides our candidate for Teacher of the Year, we did have one that was turned in from Cincinnati. It was a very good package and we think the candidate is worth their putting in a second time. This is a person who has been a teacher for a long time and dealing with the space program. He is also a retired Lieutenant Colonel. What I shared with Bob Brewster was to work with him next year so the package sounds like an educator package not an Air Force package. It needs the kind of things included where we are comparing “apples to apples” instead of “apples to oranges”. They will have a viable candidate next year and the two we are getting out of the State will be coming from those two Chapters.
- Sharon Murner commented that one of the reasons we selected Marcus Petitjean instead of that young man is that Marcus works with many teachers. And he and his students made a replica of the Wright Flyer which they took down to Kill Devil Hill and flew it. This showed Marcus being an educator and getting children interested in STEM whereas the retired Lieutenant Colonel had a lot of awards but it was not educator-based.
- Shiela suggested that Sharon Murner work with Bob Brewster next year on the package for this young man so it does not look like bullet points on an Air Force package. Shiela commented that this Chapter loves winning things but we do not want it to look like “Dayton-Dayton-Dayton” all the time. We want to give them the support that they need.
- Ron Thompson mentioned the Great Lakes Conference that is coming up on

OLD BUSINESS: Shiela Wallace had two things to bring up:

- Each year this Chapter works with education and training. We do the CCAF Awards, Community College of the Air Force Awards. Shiela will be

presenting six awards on 13 May. One is a Chapter Award and the other five come from headquarters. The determining factor on how many are given is based upon how many graduates are in the class. For anyone who has an interest in attending this, it will be held on 13 May at 1:30 in the afternoon at the Base Theater. Mentioned to Randy Parker and Col. Duke Hazdra that she does not have as many newspaper contacts as she used to. Asked if there was any way to get coverage of this, she would like to see this happen. Anyone who chooses to attend is welcome; it is a very nice event. The featured speaker this year will be Chief Ronayne from NASIC.

- AFIT Awards will be given in June. The date is to be determined dependent upon the date of the Commandant's Call. We were not able to get it on the May Commandant's Call, which is when we typically do it so we will look at doing it in June. They give four awards. When I know the specific date on this, I would like to see them get a little coverage in the Skywrighter. Shiela will let everyone know when she has more details.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing new to report.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Cyber Patriot Program:

- Shiela Wallace mentioned that in emails back and forth, she had indicated an interest in talking to Bernie Skoch after the 16 May 2011 meeting. She would like to get the Chapter interested in the Cyber Patriot program; Dee Cox had expressed interest in it; and obviously the Chapter Educator's Action Team is interested in it.
- Shiela said that one of the things we need to do is figure out a strategy. She does not want to be the negative person in the room but having been a teacher for many years, she can tell the kinds of things that are said. You bring in a new program and nobody has an issue with bringing in a new program. Schools have an issue with cost. There had been problems initially with the website they were sending people to but believes that problem has since been rectified.
- One other thing that is going to sound very trite but it's a fact. If they stay after school, teachers expect to be paid. The football coach gets paid. The gymnastics coach gets paid. The choir director who does a program gets paid. There is no funding built in yet for this. We need to look at some ways we can help schools figure out how to creatively make this work. Everyone wants to say that teachers work nine months out of the year and they work a shorter day than the business world. But they don't think about what those folks take home. And when you try to give them something new, we need to be able to give them some strategies when they don't have to say, "Oh, my God. Here's something new that I have to try and figure out what to do with."
- Shiela asked that if anyone has thoughts, ideas or suggestions on how to make this work, she is all ears, and Sharon Murner and our whole committee are too because we want to see this fly.

- Fairborn had had a viable team two years ago. They signed up this year and implied they were going to have a team but did nothing with it. When you go out to the internet and look at the list of schools in the state that are doing it, that list does not really mean as much as it appears to. It just simply says that they have registered. We need to find people who have the ability and the willingness and find the coaches. Bernie Skoch will help with doing that.
- Sharon Murner commented that one of the things discussed when it was first brought up was that we had somebody on Base willing to allow the people under him to be coaches. Shiela added that Jeff Liffick did speak to someone at AFIT; does not remember the person's name but is sure Jeff can put us in contact again.

Active-Duty Participation in the AFA:

- Scott Fischer from Booz Allen Hamilton presented an idea from a membership standpoint as to how we might secure more active-duty participation in the Air Force Association. He retired last summer but at other bases, they got a pretty good participation primarily from company grade officers. Getting them involved would provide some outlets for some of our programs. We can talk to Jeff Liffick about how to do this. Shiela agreed we do need to “get the word out” and asked Randy Parker and Col. Hazdra if there is a JAG issue in getting the word out to organizations. They replied there this is a rather unique base in the way that officers are assigned; it is different; but there are probably some folks who would be interested. Scott Fischer commented, and Shiela Wallace agreed, this is well worth pursuing.
- Shiela took the focus back to Randy Parker and Col. Hazdra saying that one of the things we used to do, but were then told we could no longer do, was to recruit. That is why she brought up the issue of JAG. Vita Eonta commented that it was her understanding that the AFA could not recruit unless other organizations were given the same opportunity. Randy Parker commented that there are 24 private organizations that operate on the installation. There are probably plenty of opportunities to use different forums, including the Newcomer Orientations where the AFA and the MVMMA have had booths before. The real actionable thing here is to identify the contact opportunities to offer membership to the installation. There is always an opportunity at the Air Show and perhaps you could have a website link there. Take the “event du jour” to the Skywrighter; they would be happy to include an article; there is a kind of Notes section for information. Shiela asked if there is a particular point of contact for the Skywrighter; the contact is the Public Affairs Office.

Miscellaneous:

- Shiela commented that the dialogue here at the end of the meeting has been very beneficial. These are the kinds of things that we need people to give us their input. If we want the Chapter to grow and do the kinds of things that we want to do, both locally and nationally, we need people to dialogue and to say I'm ready to get involved.

The meeting was adjourned at 1245 Hours.

SAVE THE DATE:

**Executive Council Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, 7 June 2011 – 1130 Hours
Wright-Patterson Club and Banquet Center**

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