



MEETING MINUTES
Executive Council Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, 4 January 2011

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Jeff Liffick called the meeting to order at 1130 Hours.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Attendees introduced themselves.
- Paul Helfrich of the Dayton Philharmonic was introduced. Mr. Helfrich was a guest of member Kent Shin and gave a briefing on the Philharmonic and its various special programs.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

88th ABW – Randy Parker:

- Installation Stats:
 - # currently deployed installation-wide = 469
 - # returned in December = 41
 - # departed in December = 66
- Past Events in December 2010:
 - 08 December – USAFA and WSU Basketball Military Appreciation Day
 - 08 December – Leadership Dayton Executive Tour
 - 12 December – Air Force Band of Flight Concerts (Dayton Masonic Temple)
 - 15 December – Maj.Gen. (Ret.) Charles D. Metcalf Retirement Dinner at the NMUSAF
 - 16 December – Lt.Gen. (Ret.) John (“Jack”) L. Hudson Change of Command at the NMUSAF
 - 17 December – First Flight Ceremony at Wright Memorial at Huffman Prairie
 - 31 December – Team W-P Promotion Ceremony
- Upcoming Events:
 - 08 January – Dayton Gems Hosting WPAFB Appreciation Night
 - 20 January – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Luncheon
 - 29 January – Chief Recognition Ceremony

445th AW – Col. Stephen Goeman:

- Unit conversion from the C-5A Galaxy to the C-17 Globemaster III is in full swing.
- The initial cadre of eight pilots and two loadmasters have already completed C-17 training.
- Approximately 50 Maintenance personnel are also trained to work on the new aircraft.

- Expect delivery of the first C-17 later this month and hope to have four assigned by 30 April.
- Four-five additional C-17's to be delivered early in FY 2012.
- C-5's will be transferred into a storage status pending approval for retirement.
- Planning on a 5 March Welcoming Ceremony to introduce the C-17 to the base and local community.
- 2,000 Airmen are assigned to the Wing.
- Approximately 100 individuals are deployed.

178th FW – Col. Mike Roberts:

- 178th deployed 41 Security Forces Personnel on 4 Jan. Return Date is 27 July.
- 178th will have 69 other people deployed this year as well.
- Last Dutch F-16 departed Springfield on 5 Jan. That wraps up the flying program for the 178th.
- 178th Maintenance personnel will continue to run a maintenance mission through the remainder of fiscal year 2011. In this maintenance mission, other ANG units will send aircraft to Springfield for depot level modifications.
- The 178th mission conversion is well underway with the first group of personnel in training now.

ROTC/Arnold Air Society – Lt. Col. Joseph Bouchard, Jr. was not present.

Junior ROTC – Col. Fred Schuster:

- The Memorial Chapter-sponsored Junior ROTC drill meet at Tecumseh High School will be held this year on Saturday, 12 March 2011. If any Chapter member would like to attend and participate in presenting awards, please contact Col. Schuster at 937-845-4464.
- Due to the critical funding situation in many high schools because of the failure to pass operating levies, some Junior ROTC programs are at risk of being terminated to cut school costs. Tecumseh High School is facing a \$2.5 million reduction in operating expenses next year if the Levy in May 2011 does not pass. The Junior ROTC unit at Tecumseh is forming a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Corporation to use for fund raising to save the program, in the event the levy does not pass.
- Every Junior ROTC has a favorite community service project. At Tecumseh, it is the Christmas Needy Family Project. In last month's Christmas Project, the cadets gave fresh food, toys, canned goods, and gift cards valued at \$7,266 to 12 families in the New Carlisle area. Over the last 20 years, the program has contributed more than \$87,000 to 167 families, including 521 children.

Civil Air Patrol – Lt. Col. Kenneth E. Curell was not present.

Dayton Development Coalition – Colleen Ryan reported upcoming event dates:

- 11 January – DDC Annual Meeting, 4:00-5:00 PM at the Schuster Center in Dayton with a Reception to follow. RSVP to rsvp@daytonregion.com.
- 24 January-4 February – Dayton Region Israel Trade Initiative. Uri Ittir, the Dayton Region Israeli Trade Representative, will visit.
- 26 January – Unmanned Aerial Systems Roundtable, 2:30-5:00 PM at the Hope Hotel. RSVP to rsvp@daytonregion.com.
- 11-12 February – Green Energy Ohio Conference at the Dayton Convention Center

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mary Bloyd:

- Thanked everyone for their continued cooperation in emailing reports for the Monthly Minutes. Minutes are posted online, sent through email, and also archived with other chapter documents at Wright State University.
- This year, Mary will continue building her knowledge base about the Chapter, how it works, and what the various Board officers and committee members do for the Chapter. Some of these conversations have already taken place. Remaining members will be contacted in the coming weeks to talk about what they do within the Chapter.
- Still experiencing difficulty in undeliverable email addresses for some members. If this applies to you, please get another email address to Mary so she can make sure you are receiving all Chapter communications that she is involved in sending.
- Bill Schaff could not attend the meeting. Bill insures that Chapter materials are archived at Wright State University. He is expecting materials from some members today. They can be given to Mary and she will see they get to Bill for the archives.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob VanHook:

- Began the month of December 2010 with a beginning balance of \$134,077
- Expenses of \$17,034 and Deposits of \$14,528 resulted in an ending balance of \$131,571
- The Chapter has had three primary accounts: the Main Account, the AEF Account, and the Major Account. A consolidation has taken place to achieve some tax advantages for the Chapter. The AEF Account was closed on 31 December 2010 and its balance was transferred into the Major Account.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2011 Dayton Air Show Chalets – Jim Heitz was not present.

- Jeff Liffick stated that as in past years, the Chapter will have five chalets at the 23-24 July Air Show.

2011 AFMC Ball, Dayton Dragons Game, Enlisted Airmen Awards – Jeff Liffick reported on upcoming event dates in which the Chapter will be involved:

- 31 March – AFMC Annual Enlisted Awards Banquet, held at the National Museum of the United States Air Force, will coincide with the AFMC Senior

Leaders Conference. The Chapter will assist AFMC in honoring its Top Enlisted Airmen. Gen. Donald Hoffman, AFMC Commander, and other SLC attendees will honor the nominees and winners.

- 5 May – Dayton Dragons Baseball game
- 24 June – AFMC Tattoo
- 23-24 July – Vectren Dayton Air Show
- 24 August – AFMC Air Force Anniversary Ball
- 17 September – Air Force Marathon
- Numerous Hails and Farewells will welcome or bid farewell to AFMC leadership

2011 Marathon – Fred Pumroy was not present; Kent Owsley gave an update:

- Initial planning for the 2011 Marathon is underway
- The AFA is working to secure a hydration station on the full marathon route and near the beginning of the race. While not officially ours yet, the station should be near HQ AFMC and actually on WPAFB.
- The Marathon Office has asked that sufficient adults be present at all the stations (for hydration, gel, support, etc.) to support people under 18. This is not an AFA or JROTC issue, however a couple of the stations in 2010 turned into more of a babysitting club than a Marathon support station.

USATT Expo -- Kent Owsley:

- The USATTE Board continues to work on the 2013 event.
- Major emphasis is being placed on securing Department of Commerce accreditation, speakers, and topics.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Leadership Development/Awards – Ron Georges:

- Mel Gerhold passed away over the holidays. He was a former POW in World War II. Mel was one of the charter members of AFA and the Rickenbacker Chapter, the first chapter chartered within AFA. Mel served as president of this chapter for many years.

Communications – Tom Dinino was not present.

Community Partners – Gary Strack:

- Tam Mehuron from AFA National HQ has been replaced by Bryan Larson as the POC for Community Partners.
- AFA Members are still unable to access the AFA National Database, but the internal HQ Staff can. Bryan agreed to begin sending Gary a monthly status report of Chapter 212's Community Partners and did send the first report just prior to the January Chapter Meeting.
- There are numerous disconnects between the Chapter's records of current Community Partners and those actually on record as current with AFA National HQ. So many of Chapter 212's Community Partners have

expired over the past years without the Chapter's knowledge and will require a lot of work to renew all of them.

- Gary asked if anyone instrumental in recruiting any of our Community Partners in the past could please assist with the work involved to secure renewal of memberships.
- Shiela Wallace agreed to call a meeting in the very near future of various players to sit down together and sort out where we are with this, and to establish a plan to put the Chapter back on-track. The outcome of this discussion will be reported on at the February Chapter Meeting.
- Jeff Liffick provided Gary with plaques for the NCR Country Club and the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Gary will present the plaques to the representatives of these organizations at the February Meeting or prior, based on how those individuals want to do it.

Membership – Dee Cox:

- Reported eight new members – five were gifted memberships.

Aerospace Education – Sharon Murner was not present; she is recovering from surgery on her hand; Shiela Wallace delivered the report:

- TechFest will take place on 19-20 February 2011 at Sinclair Community College. Opening Ceremonies will be at 1000 on Saturday, 19 February at the David Ponitz Center. Teacher Workshops will be held on Saturday, 19 February, from 0800-1630 in Building 12. Any one willing to volunteer was asked to speak to Shiela Wallace after the meeting. Ron Goerges is already on the list for Saturday. If Vita Eonta is willing to stuff bags again, Sheila will let her know the time.
- The Teacher of the Year has been selected: Marcus Petitjean, a teacher in High School Technology from Russia Local Schools in Shelby County. His award package will be qualified for submission for chapter, state, and national judging. Awards will be presented at the Teacher Workshops on 16 April 2011.
- AFA Teacher Workshops are scheduled for 16 April 2011 from 0745-1600 at the Holiday Inn Dayton Mall. All of the speakers are lined up. Class selections will be released at TechFest in February 2011.

Programs – Fred Pumroy was not present.

Government Relations – Ron Thompson:

- The AFA has several congressional outreach programs. One program involves providing every member of Congress with a copy of Air Force Magazine which is delivered to their individual offices in Washington, DC.
- The AFA encourages chapters to establish contact with the local offices of congressional Representatives and Senators. To assist with this, local chapters can offer free memberships and a copy of Air Force Magazine to each local office.

- Ron became Ohio State President in 2005. Following the 2006 election, he personally contacted the local office of every Ohio member of Congress and both Senators. All but one accepted the offer of AFA membership.
- Ron will be contacting our three local Congressmen and two Senators, and possibly one or two more members of Congress in districts north of us that do not have a local AFA chapter, to offer them membership.
- Kent Owsley added and then elaborated later in the meeting that he would like to see Ron take this action for every district not being approached by another chapter.
- With the new Congress taking office on 5 January, Ron will be contacting the Ohio offices of each local Representative and Senator to offer a free two-year membership in the AFA and in our local chapter.

Veterans Affairs – George Simons/Vita Eonta:

- On Thursday, 18 November 2010, Vita Eonta and Joann Powell of AFA Chapter 212 helped to serve a traditional Thanksgiving dinner to about 200 veterans and their caretakers from the Psychosocial Rehabilitation Program of the Veterans Medical Center. The meal consisted of turkey, ham, and all the trimmings.
- The meal was provided Canteen Services and was made possible by donations from the AFA and other veteran support agencies.
- Santa was on hand to thank the veterans for their service and to give a Christmas gift to each one.

State of Ohio President's Report – Kent Owsley:

- The State AFA is tentatively scheduled to hold a State Meeting in April. Cyber Patriot efforts will be showcased at this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Jeff Liffick commented that more information needs to be published on the Chapter's events and the support the Chapter gives in various areas.
- The new budget for 2011 will be presented soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 1300 Hours.

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