



MEETING MINUTES
Executive Council Luncheon Meeting
Wright-Patterson Club and Banquet Center
Tuesday, 4 September 2012

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Shiela Wallace called the meeting to order at 1130 Hours
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- Attendees introduced themselves

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

88th ABW – Col. Daniel Semsel:

- **Installation Stats:**
 - # currently deployed installation-wide: 319
 - # currently deployed for the ABW: 140
 - # returned in August: 38 installation-wide; 17 from ABW
 - # departed in August: 58 installation-wide; 17 from ABW
- **Past Events:**
 - 7 August – AFA Welcome to Gen. Janet Wolfenbarger – Club
 - 9 August – SNCO Induction Ceremony – Club
 - 16 August – Tops in Blue – Nutter Center
 - 19 August – Fairborn Annual Sweet Corn Festival
 - 20 August – 49th Annual NDIA Golf Classic – Riverside
 - 25 August – Riverside Community Parade
 - 25 August – Hometown Heroes w/Dayton Dragons – Fifth Third Field
 - 29 August – Wright-Patt Enlisted Promotion Ceremony – Club
 - 30 August – ALS Graduation -- Club
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - 5 September – Fire Chiefs Community Dinner – Fire Station 1
 - 9 September – Beaver Creek 9/11 Memorial Event – North Fairfield Road
 - 11 September – Fairborn 9/11 Ceremony – Calamityville
 - 14 September – Manpower & Personnel Awards Banquet – Hilton Garden Inn, Beaver Creek
 - 14 September – Air Force Marathon Pasta Dinner – NMUSAF
 - 14 September – Wright State AFM 5-K – Nutter Center
 - 15 September – Women Veterans of America 4th National – Drury Inn and Suites, Dayton North
 - 15 September – Air Force Marathon, Half Marathon, and 10-K – NMUSAF
 - 15 September – Battle of Britain Anniversary Reception – NMUSAF
 - 20 September – Chief of Police Community Reception – Building 146
 - 20 September – Dinner in honor of Mrs. Doris Day, wife of Col. Bud Day – Wright-Patt Club
 - 21 September – POW/MIA Ceremony – Arnold House
 - 21 September – 2012 Air Force Anniversary Ball – NMUSAF

25 September – Trotwood Community Open House – Hara Arena (Trotwood Police Department achieving CALEA Advanced Accreditation [Gold Standard] with Excellence)
27 September – AFMC’s Civic Leader Lunch – Wright-Patt Club

445th ALW – Col. Stephen Goeman: Not present. CMSgt. Peri Rogowski spoke to the group and presented a special request; the following is the email addressed to the AFA Chapter and summarized at the meeting:

“To our Community Partners,

We are seeking volunteers and support for our upcoming Operational Readiness Exercise (ORE). We have to sequester our ORE players round the clock because we cannot obtain lodging rooms due to the Air Force Marathon. So to help maintain control and improve morale, we are going to create a USO/China Beach-type of atmosphere in Building 101 from 16-18 September 2012 while our folks wait for their flights. We are seeking volunteers that can help us setup/tear down, re-stock snacks and supply levels, and help keep the area clean and orderly. We also need help to insure personnel are maintained in the building.

Since have 24-hour operations, our volunteer schedule is open to whatever the volunteer can offer. If they can only stay for an hour or two, that is perfectly acceptable. We will need assistance on 12 September to start moving furniture, then on 16 September (after Noon) we will need 24-hour coverage. If you or any of your community partner associates would like to volunteer, please contact MSgt. Robyn Wilson, 87th APS at Robyn.Wilson@wpafb.af.mil or at 937-257-8350.

Thank you!

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178th FW/OHANG – Col. Greg Schnulo: Not present.

AFROTC/Arnold Air Society – Lt. Col. Richard Hughes: Not present; Capt. Rich Graham provided the report:

The AAS Squadron has accomplished the following so far this year:

- Began our 12-week Candidate Training Program with 12 candidates.
- Held our first Staff and Squadron Meeting.
- We are an official Student organization at both Wright State University and Cedarville University.
- We have contacted Col. Steve Goeman about a tour at the 445th of the C-17s and facilities and are waiting for a reply on what date will work best. Planning to invite nearby AAS squadrons to join on the tour as a joint professional development event.
- Completed a budget request for the AFA which has been submitted.

Currently going on within the Squadron:

- Began the process of setting up a Silver Wings; so far it is going slowly and we do not have much momentum.

- 21 September POW/MIA Remembrance Day: We are having a missing man vigil at Cedarville University and will be flying the POW/MIA flag at Wright State University all day.
- We are the beginning planning stages of our first Joint National Project (JNP) event for this year: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). We are in contact with STEM student organizations and brainstorming on what kind of event to hold.
- We plan to offer to take cadets' uniforms to be dry-cleaned for a large group discount. This will increase our relations with the Cadet Wing. Currently looking for the best offer from dry-cleaning services in the area.

Member Update:

- 28 Active Members
- 8 Inactive Members
- 12 Candidates

AFROTC:

- 197 cadets
- All classes have started and we are busy getting cadets in-processed. This summer, 31 cadets successfully passed Field Training and are now contracted Professional Officer Candidates.

Junior ROTC –

Col. Fred Schuster – Tecumseh High School JROTC:

- The Air Force Marathon is just around the corner on 15 September. The Junior ROTC units will once again be a major force in the large group of volunteers for the event. There will be approximately 80 Tecumseh cadets, parents, and school volunteers working all areas of the start and finish lines. This includes the opening ceremony, baggage check, food tent, and finish line activities, and area clean-up after the race. The Bellbrook JROTC will also have about the same number of people working the AFA hydration station, and cleaning the hydration station area along the competition route.
- The Honor Flight program will continue flights until Saturday, 10 November. That is the date of the last flight until next year. The flights depart at 6:00 AM and return between 10:45 and 11:15 PM on Saturday. Junior ROTC furnishes American Flags at the Dayton Airport for those greeting the vets when they return. Remaining flights from the Dayton Airport will take place on 15 September, 13 October, and 10 November.

Lt. Col. Joseph Bryan – Stebbins High School JROTC: Nothing to report.

Col. Gene Longo – Bellbrook High School JROTC:

- Starting the school year for JROTC at Bellbrook High School. We have about 100 cadets right now; some are still dropping and some are adding.
- We are ready to go with our support for the Air Force Marathon.
- Good news at our high school. They have done some different things in the technology world. So when it comes to Cyber Patriot, we might actually be able to do the competition at the high school using their network; it looks positive right now.

Civil Air Patrol: Tom Koogler:

- Just returned from extended travel and has not had a chance to get a report from Ken Curell. Does know they are planning to support the Air Force Marathon on 15 September.

Dayton Development Coalition: – Maurice McDonald:

- Had a great event on the 25th at the Dayton Dragons and recognized a lot of Airmen returning from their deployments.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mary Bloyd:

- Requested a motion to include the July 2012 and August 2012 Meeting Minutes into the Chapter records. The motion was seconded.
- Due to personal and family considerations, will not be standing for re-election as the Chapter Secretary in October. Normal communications will be maintained regarding meeting notices, Meeting Minutes will be completed through October, and all files prepared for transition to the new Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Van Hook:

- The beginning balance for August 2012 was \$126,376
- Expenses for August 2012 were \$6,120
- Deposits for August 2012 were \$12,976
- The ending balance for August 2012 was \$133,232
- August Sponsors:
 - Teradata \$6,000

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Everett Odgers: Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT: Shiela Wallace:

- With all that has been going on, we have received a variety of different invitations.
- We got a letter of "Thank You" for our donation back in the Spring to the Fisher Houses.
- We have gotten information from the National Aviation Hall of Fame since they have become a Community Partner.
- We received an extremely nice letter from Col. Cassie Barlow, 88th ABW Commander, addressed to our Chapter: *"On behalf of the 88th Air Base Wing Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, I wanted to extend a big congratulations to you and your chapter for the recognition of Ms. Heidi Steinbrink from Oakwood High School as the AFA National 'Teacher of the Year' second runner-up. John F. Kennedy once said that we should think of education as a means of developing our greatest abilities, because in each of us there is a private hope and dream which fulfilled can be translated into benefit for everyone and a greater strength for our nation. Your continued support and recognition of our educators across the Miami Valley reflects this belief, and we commend your initiatives and determination to continue to develop and advance education for our children in our community. Again, congratulations on a well-deserved recognition, and thank you for being a great community partner to the men and women serving and living at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Sincerely."*

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: 2012 Special Events:

15 September 2012, Air Force Marathon -- Kent Owsley:

- Several events are happening on this date including the AFA National Convention. This year, Ev Odgers and I are co-captaining the hydration station with the continuing support of Gene Longo and the Bellbrook JROTC. We have about 80 or 85 cadets and 5 or 7 people from the Chapter. We are at mile marker 10 so even though it is an early day, we should be done around 9:30 am. I will send out one more email but believe we will have the same entrance and exit procedures as last year.

21 September 2012, Air Force Ball/NMUSAF -- Shiela Wallace:

- This is a black-tie event and a wonderful evening and one that I think everyone will have a great time with. Invitations are out to all of our Star Sponsors, to all of the Base leadership (that has been worked through AFMC Protocol), and Mary Bloyd has forwarded to everyone sitting in this room the email with the information in it. Other details are being

worked out. Al Schoolcraft is still working with us on this event and has advised that this will be his last year to do this, so we will try to gather all of the information from him. Shiela has made the decision to move Tom Koogler into this spot to handle the Ball next year. This will be a continuity kind of thing for Tom so that when he steps into the presidency, he will have a good feel for what goes on with all of this. And Bill Richard will be doing the photography for us again this year at the Ball.

- Renee Albright was unable to attend the meeting but submitted a report on the Silent Auction: Letters have been sent out and calls are being made to solicit donations from local companies. We have received several donations by word of mouth. Waiting on confirmations of the Air Force organizations that are planning to donate again. If anyone would like to donate an item, please have them email Renee at renee.albright@flairsoft.net – or call 937-431-3667 x221. Has had contact with the AFROTC cadets at Wright State University; they are eager to help on the night of the auction.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Leadership Development/Awards – Ron Georges: Nothing to report.

Communications – Tom Di Nino: Not present.

- Shiela commented that Tom is currently compiling all of the information for the Newsletter and it will be on its way to the printer. Everyone will see this coming out in the not too distant future.

Community Partners – Fred Pumroy: Unable to attend the meeting; submitted the following report:

- Three major trophies have been ordered for the awards given at the Air Force Ball.
- Still waiting for two new applications to come back from National.

Star Sponsors – Jeff Liffick/Kent Owsley/Jessica Derr:

- Kent Owsley reported that we are pretty well set with all payments.
- Kent asked if a one-star sponsor can purchase a table for the Ball. Shiela responded that if it involves receiving money, the answer is yes, and that several companies have expressed interest in buying a second table.
- The next event which Kent will begin working soon is the Star Sponsors Reception for later this year. Shiela mentioned she is meeting with the Club today to get the date on the calendar. When she has the date, Kent will get it out to all of the Star Sponsors.
- Vita Eonta commented that she has had difficulty in getting responses from the Star Sponsors when she has explained the benefits to them, such as a community partnership, additional free memberships, etc. Several have donated their free memberships back to the Chapter. But when the Star Sponsors refuse to acknowledge their point of contact and we would like to renew their membership under their community partnership. Kent Owsley said that at a minimum, if you never do get a response, we can at least renew the people they had before. This may be wrong but in the eyes of AFA Headquarters, it is right. Shiela asked Vita to send her a list of the companies that have not responded back to her and she will start to look into it.
- Ev Odgers asked if we are really clear to these people that there is a community partnership involved with what they have to do. In several companies, people are life members so we do not need to renew memberships. Vita responded that she thinks the letter they receive is very clear and states that community partnership is part of their benefits.

Membership – Dee Cox-Parker:

- Have received 5 new memberships that we are sending in.

Aerospace Education – Sharon Murner:

- The AFA Educators' Action Team will hold their annual Grant Writing Workshop on 14-15 September 2012. It will be held at Starbase so that we can use their computer facilities. "Thank You" to Dann Andrews and Starbase. Teachers can write grants to receive \$250.00 from AFA National to use in their classroom STEM lessons.
- The Educators' Action Team has decided not to continue with USA Today's Vision Program. The money usually allocated to this program will be used to provide more financial aid to areas such as JRTOC, ROTC, Cyber-Patriot, CAP, and the Teacher Workshops that we provide at TechFest in February and the Teacher Workshops in April.

Programs – Jessica Derr:

- Does not have anything to report.
- Will be on maternity leave until after New Year's.

Government Relations – Ron Thompson: Nothing to report.

Veterans Affairs – George Simons/Vita Eonta:

- George and Vita will be attending the Quarterly VAVS Meeting next Thursday.

State of Ohio President's Report – Kent Owsley: Discussed three different items:

- The AFA National Convention is occurring in Washington, DC on 15-16 September, the Saturday and Sunday prior to the Air & Space Convention. Several of us will be attending. The State of Ohio has seven delegates who will be representing and voting on behalf of the State. On Saturday night, Tom Koogler will be accepting the "Outstanding Extra-Large Chapter of the Year" award on behalf of the Chapter. Mentioned to Ron Georges that he does not think they will call him up for the award for the second place "Teacher of the Year" but he will get a package to bring back. But Ron will most likely be called up to accept the Education award for the Chapter.
- As most of you know, a good friend of ours, Walt Shellhorn, passed away a month ago. When I am in Washington, I am going to talk to AFA Headquarters to see if there is some kind of special recognition that we can get for him. I think Betty (his wife) would like that.
- 28 September; 6:00 to 8:00 pm: the Museum Foundation is inviting all AFA members (and potential members) to the next Member Appreciation Night at the NMUSAF to see the new Space Shuttle Crew Compartment Trainer before it officially opens to the public, and to enjoy snacking on space-themed food. The Museum will be opened for a private viewing for the AFA and friends of the NMUSAF.

OLD BUSINESS: Shiela Wallace: The AFA, MVMAA and Dayton Development Coalition partnered on a Farewell and Hails for several new commanders. Complimented all of the organizations. Everyone worked well together and we have received great compliments from Base leadership.

- Farewell for Gen. Tom Owen. Shiela added that among all of the good things that Gen. Owen said, and in his 34-year career being stationed at many bases at many parts of the country and around the world, he shared that this was the one place that people work and play well together. The three organizations came together and worked as one cohesive unit and he talked about the significance and importance of that and how much it meant to the Base and

to the community that we were all willing to stand together and work together to be a support system for everyone in the community connected to the Base. Gen. Owen took the time to make sure we were aware of that.

- 7 August: Hail for Gen. Janet Wolfenbarger was a successful event.
- 22 August: Hails for Lt. Gen. C.D. Moore, Dr. Todd Stewart, Col. Cassie Barlow, and Col. Aaron Prupas was also a successful event and enjoyed by all who attended.

NEW BUSINESS: Shiela Wallace:

- Kent Owsley commented that the Chapter does need to have an election, and that a notice needs to be sent out to all members. He referred to it as a mid-year election. Ev Odgers confirmed that a ballot can be sent out through the website and responses will come to Ron Georges who will tally them. The information can also be posted on the Chapter website.

The meeting was adjourned at 1250 Hours.

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