



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Executive Council Luncheon Meeting**  
**Wright-Patterson Club and Banquet Center**  
**Tuesday, February 5, 2013**

1130 Hours - meeting called to order - President - Shiela Wallace  
The Pledge of Allegiance – recited by all  
Introductions – all attendees

**ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:**

- **88th ABW** – Col Dan Semsel
  - Installation Stats:
    - # currently deployed installation-wide = 352
    - # currently deployed for ABW = 179
    - # returned in January = 13 Installation Wide / 2 from ABW
    - # departed in January = 42 Installation Wide / 12 from ABW
  - Air Force Marathon Stats – almost 50% sold out
    - Total 2013 Registrants: **7,286** (February 6, 2012 = 6,041)
    - Category
      - Marathon (including wheeled): **1,671** (February 6, 2012 = 1,676)
      - Half: **3,311** (February 6, 2012 = 2,741)
      - 10K: **1,258** (February 6, 2012 = 890)
      - 5K: **1,046** (February 6, 2012 = 734)
  - Past Events:
    - 1 Dec-AF Band of Flight Holiday Concert-Masonic Temple, Dayton
    - 4 Dec-NMUSAF Holiday Concert-NMUSAF
    - 6 Dec-Fisher House II Annual Holiday Open House-Fisher House
    - 17 Dec-109<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Flight Ceremony-Area B, Wright Brothers Memorial
    - 19 Jan-Hometown Heroes: Art Series, Shrek the Musical-Victoria Theatre
    - 22 Jan-MLK Jr. Humanitarian Award Lunch-Club
  - Upcoming Events:
    - 6 Feb-Team Wright Patterson Quarterly Awards Lunch-Club
    - 8 Feb-Enlisted Heritage Dinner-Modern Fighter Gallery NMUSAF
    - 12 Feb-Fairborn Night at Wright State University-Nutter Center
    - 22 Feb-88 ABW 2012 Annual Award Nominee Medallion Ceremony-Club
    - 22 Feb-88 ABW Annual Award Banquet-Club
    - 15 Mar-Team Wright-Patt Annual Awards Banquet-Club
- **445<sup>th</sup>AW:** No report
- **178<sup>th</sup> FW/OHANG:** No report
- **AFROTC** – Lt Col Hughes
  - The AFROTC Commander visited in late January, and was pleased with Det 643 and the Cadets
  - Busy scheduling our Dining Out, Awards night, and commissioning ceremonies
  - 27 April 2013 for Wright State cadets,
  - 5 May 2013 for University of Dayton/Cedarville University cadets.
  - Looking to have strong cadet presence at Tech Fest, Air Camp, the Dayton Airshow, and Tattoo
- **Arnold Air Society** - Cadet Niederkoehr
  - Squadron finally has a full compliment of staff.
  - Fully integrated Google Drive into squadron's operations and information keeping -dramatically increased efficiency and coordination.
  - Current training class of 6 candidates - upon completion of training, they will be welcomed as active members in the Arnold Air Society.

- 2 Feb - 4 cadets volunteered to serve food at the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Shelter for men in Dayton, OH.
- 8 active members will volunteer at this year's TechFest - Counts toward their Joint National Project, which is STEM this year - Event opened to the Cadet Wing - hoping for more volunteers.
- 22 Feb newsletter article will be about TechFest volunteering.
- National Conclave (NATCON)- In Atlanta, GA this year; 10 active members attending -cost is about \$500 per cadet - trying to host more fundraisers to help reimburse those cadets who are going; General Mark A. Welsh III will be the guest of honor at NATCON!!!
- **Junior ROTC** – Lt Col Gene Longo
  - HQs Junior ROTC has loaded \$500 into the accounts of Junior ROTC Units for Civil Air Patrol Orientation Flights. We have contacted our local CAP rep and are waiting on times and dates we can get the cadets up and flying.
  - Annual field trip will be 13-17 February 2013; going to North and South Carolina and will take tours and receive demonstrations at Joint Base Charleston, Fort Sumter, Marine Training Base Parris Island, tours of Charleston, the Battleship North Carolina, and will conclude with a dinner show with a pirates theme.
  - Unit is hosting the first annual Bellbrook Junior ROTC 5K Run on 27 April 2013 as a fundraiser. A donation for \$100 as a shirt sponsor helps to pay for the shirts given to the runners.
  - Junior ROTC Military Ball at the WPAFB Club -1 March 2013. A total of eight or nine units attend and there is about 550 cadets in attendance.
  - A Bellbrook senior has been admitted to the US Naval Academy.
- **Civil Air Patrol** – Ken Curell
  - 12 Feb - Group VII will execute a change of command on and welcome Lt Col Dave Jennison as the new Group VII Commander
  - The CAP Ohio Wing is in the final round of AFA's Cyberpatriot V. The Youngstown ARS Composite Squadron is one of three remaining CAP units from the original 261 who entered the competition.
  - Group VII sent six of its members to a rigorous search and rescue (SAR) school in Pennsylvania at what is called Hawk Mountain.
    - Six cadets were part of 100 cadets who trained among civil air patrol specialists and other EMS and Paramedic professionals.
    - They were taught skills in ground search and rescue, learned new techniques, and other real-life staged scenarios.
    - They conducted a mock search of a lost individual and in bitterly cold weather.
    - They were challenged to push past their discomfort and take away a sense of leadership and responsibility to find those who were counting on their skills to save them.
  - Group VII is hosting a Canadian CAP-equivalent unit to WPAFB in March
    - Captain Michelle Vail is bringing 50 cadets to WPAFB and visiting with the WPAFB CAP Cadet Squadron.
    - Group VII is working to secure them base access as well as attempting to arrange a base tour and a visit to the NMUSAF.
  - This weekend, Lt Col Ken Curell will lead a panel of CAP officers selecting CAP cadets from around the state who are applying for this summer's National Cadet Special Activities.
    - These activities are competed nationally and include prestigious opportunities,
    - Ken Curell seeks to find the best cadets in the Ohio Wing who can compete and be selected for these coveted opportunities.
- **Dayton Development Coalition** – Maurice McDonald - no report

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Vita Eonta

- Reminder to submit a copy of reporting notes to be included in the minutes
- Minutes from the Nov, Dec, and Jan meetings were approved

**TREASURER'S REPORT** - Bob Van Hook:

- The beginning balance for Jan 2013 was \$104,262
- Expenses for Jan 2013 were \$3,929
- Deposits for Jan 2013 were \$382
- The ending balance for Jan 2013 was \$100,715

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Everett Odgers

- Follow AFA on Facebook
- Read the articles about the budget

## **CORRESPONDENCE REPORT** - Shiela Wallace

- Women Veteran's Conference 28 Sept 2013 - Chapter received a request for sponsorship

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: 2013 Special Events:**

- **Air Show** – June 22, 2013
- **AF Anniversary Ball** – September 11, 2013 at the AF Museum
- **AF Marathon** – AFA will have same station as last year

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Leadership Development/Awards** – Ron Georges - no report
  - Tom Virgallito was presented with the Medal of Merit for his support of the AFA's Silent Auction
  - Capt Jennifer Condon-Pracht was awarded the Chairman's Citation from her previous assignment at McGuire AFB.
- **Communications** – Tom Di Nino
  - Articles for the next Crossfeed newsletter are due Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> to Tom DiNino at [Tom@coreiv.com](mailto:Tom@coreiv.com)
- **Social Media** – Eric Jaren
  - Discussed the need for a slightly larger committee to include representatives from a variety of groups: civilian, officer, airman, NCO, ANG, Reserve, Cadet and retiree.
  - We see two immediate avenues to increase membership: 1) add photos Bill Richard takes to our Wright Memorial Facebook page, 2) reach out to Cadets with interesting links, photos, stories and videos.
  - Next meeting need to start building an outline for the social media strategic plan; had the following take-aways: Invite Arnold Air Society to join our Facebook page, Create AFA marketing videos, Free AFA memberships to committee members, especially cadets, junior ranking members; Article for Quarterly AFA Newsletter; Create AFA NextGen Facebook page
- **Community Partners** – Fred Pumroy/Matt LeValley/Donna Whitby
  - Hand delivered 2013/14 Community Partner Coin to Cy Byrd, The Wood Works Inc., CPI and Crystal Watkins, Hilton Garden Inn.
  - Delivered this year's invoice for Community Partners to: Jan Miller, REMAX; Jamie Hensley, Jamie's Tires; Matt Pauley, I-675 Holiday Inn; Bill Bohrer, Expressions; Aletha Dillinger, Wyndham Garden Hotel.
- **Star Sponsors** – Jeff Liffick/Kent Owsley/Jessica Derr –
  - Adrianna Templeton will help with Star Sponsorships
  - Looking at adding intermediate levels for star sponsorships due to economy
  - ITTExcelis will renew their sponsorship at last year's level; new division will look at new options
  - Divide work into renewals and new sponsorships
- **Membership** – Dee Cox-Parker
  - Submitted 3 new memberships
- **Aerospace Education** - Sharon Murner:
  - TechFest coming up President's Day week-end, Feb 16-17, 2013
  - Conducting 16 teacher workshops that day;500 + teachers registered
  - Dwight Barlett is this year's teacher of the year nomination
  - Ohio came in second for number of teacher grants awarded
- **Programs** – Jessica Derr: no report
- **Government Relations** – Dave Noah
  - Reviewing rules
  - Planning a community leadership breakfast
  - Considering posting a calendar of events
  - Pursuing local leader sponsorship
- **Veterans Affairs** – George Simons/Vita Eonta
  - The Advisory Committee on Women Veterans is holding their 5<sup>th</sup> conf Sat Sept 28, 2013

- Unable to host a Valentine's party at the VA this year-looking to do sponsor event in March
- **State of Ohio President** – Jeff Liffick - No report
- **Great lakes Region President** – Kent Owsley
  - Working to keep chapters vital
  - Working to re-vitalize some chapters

**OLD BUSINESS:** Shiela Wallace /Tom Koogler

- Kent Owsley - joint meeting with the AOC last month well received -looking into another joint meeting
- Presentation at Chief's Orientation very valuable to explain AFA open to everyone
- Open to doing presentation to the Air Force Sergeant's Association (AFSA)

**NEW BUSINESS:** Shiela Wallace/Tom Koogler

- Sat, 23 Feb, 9-12AM strategic planning session for executive council and committee members
- April 12, 2012 - All members meeting Crown Plaza
- Mon May 13 at 7PM - Dragons appreciation game for sponsors on
- Mon Aug19 at 7PM - Dragons appreciation game for volunteers on
- Pam Gayheart from Fairborn City Schools introduced 2 Fairborn ambassadors
  - Frida Calderon-Guittierez, a freshman and Natalie Semsel a senior, represent Fairborn High School (FHS) at community events - they provide leadership/vision for community service.
  - The students are "leading by example" and representing FHS/Fairborn City Schools in the local community.
  - The FHS Student Ambassadors created a card for Bellbrook High School (when the students were killed in the car accident)
  - Made purple and gold ribbons for all attendees at the Bellbrook/FHS basketball game

1245 Hours.- meeting adjourned

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