

## AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2010

Opening. President Kevin Estrem opened the meeting at 7:40am and led us in saying the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

Government Relations (Brian Binn). No report.

Secretary (Hank Scarangella). The minutes from the January 12 meeting have not been posted. Kevin will give the notes he took at that meeting to Hank who will prepare the minutes.

Treasurer (Dave Shiller). The chapter has \$63,000 in the checking account. The chapter will contribute to the Space Pioneer portraits in Bldg. 1.

President's Comments (Kevin Estrem).

- Kevin encouraged everyone to participate and support the AF Ball on Feb 19.
- Jeanin did another great job all the AF Ball program, chapter accomplishments, posters, flyers, and wine bottle labels.
- Kevin thanked Jim Hale and Brian Binn for manning the chapter table at Sno-Fest. They gave away three centerpieces as gifts from the chapter. Kevin, Debbie, Brian and Jim represented the chapter at the VIP Reception and Dinner on Jan 29.
- Kevin represented the chapter at the N-NC annual awards ceremony on Feb 9. He and Debbie will do the same at the 21SW/Team Schriever ceremony February 12.

Professional Development (Roy Griggs).

- Roy briefed Brig Gen Raymond on the chapter's professional development program on Jan 25. The general to be the Professional Development Champion for AFSPC. Major Edmondson will be the action officer for the general.
- Brig Gen Raymond expressed concerns that junior officers are not fulfilling their professional development responsibilities. He wants a monthly company grade officer event with a speaker. Roy will consider how the chapter may support this idea. The consensus at the meeting was that monthly was too much of a commitment for the chapter to support.
- Brig Gen Raymond also endorsed reinstating the Schriever Memorial Essay Contest. There are some issues to be resolved concerning AFSPC sponsorship and whether this will be an AFSPC or a 21SW program.
- Brig Gen Mercer (ret) and founder of AFCOMAP (AF Cadet Officer Mentoring Assistance Program) will be in Colorado Springs April 13 to participate in an AFCOMAP event.

Community Partners (Debbie Estrem). The program continues to add new members and to find renew existing members. Peak Lighting is our newest CP.

Membership (James Wood). The chapter's membership has been stable at about 2,600 members for many years. James is making contact with new members to encourage them to renew their membership. We have very high attrition of new members and this initiative will also help retain younger members to counter the trend towards an aging AFA membership.

Communications (Jeanin Damery).

- Jeanin is working on the website and promotional materials for the Space and Cyber Warfare Symposium at Keystone.
- Save the Date cards are available from Jeanin for SCWS.

Aerospace Education (Liz Anderson & Joyce Jenkins-Harden). Liz recommended establishing standard (Gmail) e-mail accounts so that regardless of the person holding a chapter position such as AEF, secretary, president, etc. the e-mails will always have the same FROM address. She has done that for AEF.

Veteran's Affairs (Dan Beatty).

- Memorial Day will be the next veteran's event in which the chapter will participate.
- Dan is unable to represent the chapter in the future and is seeking a replacement.

Joint Alumni Association (2LT Leanne Babcock). Leann has signed up 17 college AFROTC cadets to attend the AF Ball. She reminded us that the National Convention will be in Seattle April 1 – 5.

External Awards (Ray Powell). No report.

Events:

- AF Ball (Tim Lemons)
  - o Sponsors and ticket sales have picked up.
  - o The committee is meeting frequently to handle all the last minute details
- Wing Open Boxing Pizza Party (Bob Cooper)
  - o March 7, 2010, USAFA Field House
  - o Everything is set for another successful fund raiser
  - o Pizza is at 5:00 and the fights begin at 7:00
- Space & Cyberspace Warfare Symposium (Hank Scarangella & Tom Ocvirk)
  - o June 8 – 10 at Keystone
  - o Planning is underway. Little progress since last month. Still waiting for AFSPC confirmation of agenda topics.
  - o Jeanin is updating the website at [www.spacewarfare.org](http://www.spacewarfare.org).
- IMAGE Golf Tournament (Joe Kahoe)
  - o Aug 13 at Ft Carson
  - o AFA is the lead organization this year, supported by AFCEA and NDIA.

Next Meeting: March 9, 2010

Attendees:

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| Kevin Estrem   | Jim Hale     | Hank Scarangella |
| Joe Kahoe      | James Wood   | Liz Anderson     |
| Leanne Babcock | Henry Baird  | Fred Bell        |
| Roy Griggs     | Dave Shiller |                  |