



AIR FORCE SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION (AFSA) MINUTES

Hill Air Force Base, Utah

<http://www.afsa1163.org/>

26 August 08

MEETING: Monthly AFSA General Membership Meeting

LOCATION: Dining Facility

DATE/TIME: 26 August 2008/1130 hrs

AFSA Officers:

President: TSgt Tracie Diamond

Vice-President: Vacant

Secretary: TSgt Jennifer Nightingale

Treasurer: MSgt Thuy Franks

Legislative: MSgt Samuel Evans

Membership: SSgt Emily Toynbee

Ways & Means: SSgt Angelyn McKelley

Communications: SMSgt Jay Waldner

Community Service: MSgt Barb Wood

Awards: MSgt Ron Reeves

Senior Advisor: Mr. LaRue Campbell

Lifetime Trustee: Mr. Tye Reynolds

Historian: MSgt Teri Crispi

Chaplain: MSgt Jerry Howe

1. **Call to Order:** TSgt Nightingale called the meeting to order at 1140 hrs

2. **MSgt Franks recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble.**

President's Comments: TSgt Diamond was unable to attend this months meeting. TSgt Nightingale welcomed attendees and newcomers were welcomed.

3. **Treasury Report for August 2008**

Beginning Balance	\$2,122.83
Reimbursement for Stamps/Flags (SSgt Toynbee)	-\$126.00
Reimbursement for SMSgt Topa's clock (TSgt Nightingale)	-\$40.00
Reimbursement for Domain (MSgt Evans)	-\$8.34
Reimbursement for Convention (SMSgt Hemphill)	- \$300.00
\$\$ for Awards received at Convention	+\$300.00
Coin Sale/Membership	+10.00
1st QTR FY08 Rebate	+264.25

Ending Balance	\$2,222.74
Share Account Balance	\$63.86

Treasury Report Wells Fargo Balance	\$341.08
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TOTAL FUNDS:	\$2,627.68
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Treasurer Comments:

4. Command Chief Comments: Command Chief was unable to attend

5. Newcomers: 4 new attendees: A1C Tawny Uemura (75 AMDS), TSgt Marshall Smith (388 MXG) and MSgt James Smart (388 EMS)—WELCOME!

6. Membership (SSgt Toynbee): We have 878 members in our chapter. SSgt Toynbee is working on renewals and roster updates. The Chapter will be hosting a membership drive on 13 September at the Commisary from 1000 - 1200. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact her. If you sign up to volunteer please ensure you show up. After the Commisary, the drive will move to the Museum where the AFA Ride for Pride is going to be. There will be coins for sale and to hand out to new members that sign up for 3 or more years. We will have POW coins to sell as well.

7. Legislative Report (MSgt Evans): Legislative updates can be found on our website. If you need a sample letter or POC for any legislative issues you would like to address, MSgt Evans would be more than happy to help you out. If have any questions please contact MSgt Sam Evans.

8. Ways and Means (SSgt McKelley): Assistance is needed for fundraising ideas. Remember there are several closed seasons for fundraising that we need to plan around. If you have any suggestions please contact SSgt McKelley.

9. Communications (SMSgt Waldner): Send SMSgt Waldner any updates to distro group – webmaster@afsa1163.org. We can now add personal email addresses to the website, so if you would like to receive chapter updates contact him to add your email address. Watch for additional emails as the newsletters are now electronic.

10. Awards (MSgt Reeves): We need to start looking now at next years nominees and consider submissions for Community Service Member of the Year.

11. Community Service (MSgt Wood): The next Adopt-a-Highway Clean-Up will be held on the 27th of September. A voluteer sheet will be sent out soon. Please, if you volunteer show up. This is a great way to help out our community and keep it clean! The next VA hospital visit is still to be determined. We are working with the VA for possible dates. If you have any ideas for more volunteer opportunities please contact MSgt Wood.

12. Airman Activity Committee (Vacant): No change - this program needs a big boost! This committee needs a motivated E5 or below to lead it and then form a committee of about 3 or 4 personnel. We are looking to plan events for E1 - E4 Airmen. If you are interested in volunteering, let the council know ASAP.

13. Recurring Business:

a. MSgt Franks and SSgt Toynbee have keys to the Post Office box.

14. Old Business:

a. We are looking into having a guest speaker at each general membership. POC: TSgt Diamond. (OPEN)

b. We need a POC to head up an airman appreciation night, likely to be held at the JEC. (OPEN)

c. The International Convention will be held in San Antonio, TX 23 – 27 August 2008. Our Chapter is a nominee at the upcoming International Convention for Chapter of the Year and Legislative Member of the year (Mr. Atkins). MSgt McQueen is currently our Chief Delegate, accompanied by MSgts Coleman and Cumins, and will need an accreditation form from SMSgt Hemphill. If you would like to attend the convention, please let the council know.

**Update:* MSgts McQueen, Coleman and Cumins attended the convention; updates will be posted in the next meeting minuts. (OPEN)

d. The Junior Enlisted facility has extended the invitation for us to hold our meetings at that location. This will be discussed at the next GM Meeting. (OPEN)

e. MSgt Evans has developed an AFSA CoP (Community of Practice), in order to view it you must have a AFKN Account and request membership. This is open to all members and non-members. All officers will receive rights to grant access to the CoP. (OPEN)

15. New Business:

a. Possibility of sponsoring a table at the Air Force Ball (\$350)...(OPEN)

b. Is there any possible way of setting up a type of PowerPoint presentation for the new GI Bill educating folks of the truths and the myths behind what is being said? (OPEN)

c. A suggestion was made that the AFSA President (or representative of) attend the Council of Presidents Meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the ALC Board Room from 1430 – 1530. This would help deconflict any upcoming events that our Chapter may have scheduled with any other organization on base. (OPEN)

16. 2009 Division 11/12 Convention (MSgt Crispi, TSgt Diamond, and SSgt Byington): The convention will be held here next year. The original dates of 13 – 17 May 2009 are not available at the Davis Convention Center. The new proposed dates are 21 – 24 May 2009. The venue is still yet to be determined. Mrs. Lidia McClung from the Davis Convention & Visitors Bureau is also helping us out. We need an overall theme for the 2009 convention. Any suggestions let the council know. This is a HUGE event for our Chapter! We need as many volunteers as possible. If you would like to be part of this committee or would like to volunteer, please contact MSgt Crispi (teri.crispi@hill.af.mil), TSgt Diamond (tracie.diamond@hill.af.mil) or SSgt Byington (levitica.byington@hill.af.mil). The Convention Committee will begin meeting weekly starting next month.

17. Upcoming chapter briefings:

a. FTAC brief – POC: SSgt Toynbee

b. ALS brief – POC: SSgt Toynbee

- c. ALS graduation – POC: SSgt Toyndbee
- d. NCOPE brief – POC: SSgt VanWalraven
- e. Newcomer's – POC: SSgt Toyndbee

18. Closing Comments: TSgt Nightingale thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.

19. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1210 hrs. Next meeting is scheduled for 30 September 2008, 1130 hrs at the Dining Facility (please come about 15 minutes early if you are going through the lunch line) and bring a friend. **All officers please arrive 30 minutes early.

20. Meeting Attendees: See attached sign in roster.

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JENNIFER L. NIGHTINGALE, TSgt, USAF
Secretary, AFSA
Chapter 1163

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TRACIE D. DIAMOND, TSgt, USAF
President, AFSA
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