



AIR FORCE SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION (AFSA) MINUTES

Hill Air Force Base, Utah

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29 July 08

MEETING: Monthly AFSA General Membership Meeting

LOCATION: Dining Facility

DATE/TIME: 29 July 2008/1130 hrs

AFSA Officers:

President: SMSgt Don Hemphill

Vice-President: TSgt Tracie Diamond

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:** SMSgt Hemphill called the meeting to order at 1145 hrs

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

President's Comments: SMSgt Hemphill welcomed attendees. New officers were inducted (TSgt Diamond-Vice President, MSgt Evans- Legislative, MSgt Franks-Treasurer) and newcomers were welcomed.

3. **Treasury Report for July 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
TOTAL FUNDS:	\$2,627.68

Treasurer Comments:

- 4. Command Chief Comments:** Command Chief Czop was present, no updates
- 5. Newcomers:** 4 new attendees: SSgt Addison (388th EMS), MSgt Smart (388 EMS), TSgt Jerdon (729th ACS) and TSgt Hebert (729th ACS)—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 2 August at the BX (and possibly the Commissary); if you would like to volunteer please contact her. There will be coins for sale and to hand out to new members that sign for 3 or more years. We will have POW coins to sell as well.
- 7. Legislative Report (MSgt Evans):** The new GI Bill Passed! 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. SSgt McKelley is attempting to contact the bowling alley for an End-Of-The-Summer/Back-To-School Bowl-A-Thon, more details to come. Our next theater date will be in September; volunteers will need to attend training in how to run the theater snack-bar (approx. 45 min). 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):** Our Chapter is a nominee at the upcoming International Convention for Chapter of the Year and Legislative Member of the year (Mr. Atkins). 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 VA hospital visit is still to be determined. We are working with the VA for possible dates. We are also looking at accomplishing an Adopt-A-Highway sometime in September. 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. (OPEN)

15. New Business:

- a. The question was asked as to who funds the convention. The initial funding of the convention is accomplished by our Chapter and then re-imbursed by registration of attendees (CLOSED)
- b. 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)
- c. 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)

16. 2009 Division 11/12 Convention (MSgt Crispi, TSgt Diamond, and SSgt Byington): The convention will be held here next year, 13 – 17 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. If you would like to be part of this committee, please contact MSgt Crispi, TSgt Diamond or SSgt Byington.

17. Upcoming chapter briefings:

- a. FTAC brief – POC: SSgt Toynbee
- b. ALS brief – POC: SSgt Toynbee
- c. ALS graduation – POC: SSgt Toynbee
- d. NCOPE brief – POC: SSgt VanWalraven
- e. Newcomer's – POC: SSgt Toynbee

18. Closing Comments: SMSgt Hemphill remarked on how this was his last meeting due to his orders to Korea. He also thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting and best of luck!

19. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1225 hrs. Next meeting is “tentatively” scheduled 26 August 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.

20. Meeting Attendees: See attached sign in roster.

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