

AIR FORCE RECRUITING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 7, 2016

Present: Andy C; Robbin M; Stan S; Dale U; Bob C; Ron L; Jerry N. President Andy Coppi called the meeting to order at Noon.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from 2-25-16: Motion made by Bob, seconded by Stan to approve minutes as written. Passed.
2. Financial Report: Treasurer Stan reported that we have \$5262.31 in regular account, \$9800.00 in AFR Monument account, and \$1002.00 in Blue Suit account.
3. Membership Report: 86 members. **ACTION ITEM:** *Stan* will resend e-mails reminding members to send in their dues and asking past members to renew.
4. Membership Recruiting Campaign Planning:
 - a. POC-Pres. Andy C.—Andy reported that he and some of the other board members met with the new AFRS Commander and Command Master Chief CMSgt Lamer. The General is totally on-board with what AFRAA stands for and our mission. He sees it as a great partnership which needs to be developed. Chief Lamer wants to attend one of our meetings. Andy stressed that we need to move quickly on the items agreed upon with AFRS/CC. **ACTION ITEMS: President Coppi** will make the invite for him to attend as soon as possible.
 - b. We plan to incorporate Blue Suit Criteria and a History of Blue Suit; the new Competition System; the new Recruiter Selection Criteria; and status of the monument as well as Background on AFR Monument. **ACTION ITEM: President Coppi** will work with *Newsletter Editor Tom Strack* to develop the Newsletter and get it published as soon as feasibly possible. *Bob* will reach out to Public Affairs to coordinate with Tom on any information needed for the Newsletter.
 - c. Group Liaison guidelines have been developed and we need to get those to Vice-President Robbin M. to communicate it to these folks and get the ball rolling as pertains to AFRAA Group Liaisons getting together with AFRS Group representatives. **ACTION ITEM: Secretary Ron** will forward list of current AFRAA Group Liaisons and Group Liaison guidelines to all as soon as possible but before next meeting on April 28.
 - d. POC-Pres. Emeritus Mike R.—Still pending, Mike couldn't make the meeting but he is actively working on ways to develop a good working relationship with the Chamber.
5. Golf Tournament: Need to settle on a date and venue. Jerry Nelson, Golf Tournament Chairperson was there to brief the Board on current status of upcoming Friday, June 10 2016 at the Randolph Oaks Golf Course at 12:30 PM. Tournament is co-sponsored by AFRAA and AFRS Booster Club—50/50 split of any profits.
 - a. Jerry briefed: Per the AFRS Booster Club POC SSgt Whitton, AFRS plans to have at least 60 players. Total number of players to be 144. AFRS/CC wants AETC/CC (Lt-Gen) to play. We plan to partner them with Clarence Kahlig. Need to develop Platinum Level of Sponsorship--\$400 get one Hole Sign, gold foursome (includes carts, dinner and prizes) and their name on our Sponsor Banner.
 - b. **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - i. *ALL* need to secure Hole Sponsorships Signs at \$100/hole.
 - ii. *Ron* will contact the AFRS Booster Club POC, SSgt TeddyWhitton-870-219-6251 to schedule a time to meet with him at the Randolph Oaks Golf Course to plan out the dinner menu as soon as possible.

- iii. **Bob** will contact Clarence Kahlig to schedule him to play and secure a Platinum Sponsorship. **Stan** will contact Bobby Marroquin to secure a Lincoln car for a weekend as a prize for a Hole-In-One.
 - iv. **ALL** work on getting give-aways for Goody Bags. Stan has some bags and pens, Bob has some Golf Towels.
 - v. **Candy Moore** has agreed to take care of getting Hole Signs and Sponsor Banner. She will need all information by last week of May at the latest.
 - vi. **Ron** will register non-AFRS golfers and **SSgt Whitton** will take care of AFRS registrations. (Contact Info: SSgt Teddy Whitton, 210-565-0371, teddy.whitton@usaf.rs.com. Cell 870-219-6251.)
 - vii. **Ron and Stan** will take care of e-mail notifications to current and past AFRAA members with Tournament information as it becomes available as well as periodic notifications to sign-up.
 - viii. **Bob** will contact Texas Trophies to see about trophy costs.
 - ix. **ALL** need to take a look at the AFRAA Sponsor Spreadsheet (**Ron** will e-mail to everyone) and start making contact with sponsors they have a relationship or connection with.
6. Recruiting School Graduations: On-Going: Stan is the AFRAA lead and he always in need of volunteers to attend and present the AFRAA plaque and say a few words (if you chose to).
- a. Class: April 26, 2016 AFRAA Rep-TBA
 - b. Class: May 24, 2016 AFRAA Rep-TBA
 - c. Class: June 1, 2016 AFRAA Rep-Billy McAllan
 - d. Class: June 22, 2016 AFRAA Rep-Tom Strack
 - e. Class: June 29, 2016 AFRAA Rep-TBA
7. Monument Status-Project Approval and Construction Status:
- a. Dale reported about the approval of the site at JBASA-Lackland AFB. He is currently waiting on a date to conduct a Site Inspection. He also thinks now is the time to form a committee to start work on Monument Funding. He also reported that the Air Force plans to fund poring foundations for each monument. We will need to ensure we coordinate with them.
 - b. **ACTION ITEMS: Board** need to form a committee to start planning for monument construction and funding. **Ron** will contact Architect Mark Neville to see if he could offer assistance again.
8. Blue Suit Status:
- a. Bob briefed that AFRS/CC plans to bring this year's Blue Suit Winners to San Antonio (without spouses). **ACTION ITEM: Bob** will deliver the watches to AFRS Blue Suit POC.
9. Bag Dragger Newsletter: POC-Tom Strack—refer to paragraph #4 above.
10. Website Management: **ACTION ITEM: Andy** and some Board members plan to meet with Webmaster Karen Gordon on April 8 to go over some proposed changes to the Website. They will report their findings at the next meeting on April 28.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 11. TAPS: CMSgt Doug Sorchilla. His wife Vickie shared with Andy that she plans a Memorial for Doug sometime in September in San Antonio. We will keep everyone posted as this develops.
- 12. As there was no other business, meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM. Next meeting will be on Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 8 AM at the Denny's Restaurant on IH-35 at Toepperwein.