

USAF Recruiting Alumni Association Board Meeting

June 12, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Matt Macho at 10:05 am. Members present were Bob Cantu, Billy McAllan, Tino Tinoco, Mary Gandolfo and Matt Macho. Stan Staples was present via telephone. Members absent were Dale Ullrich, Ed Curbelo, Danny Roby, Carl Childs, Andy Coppi, Greg Valdez and Chris Balderas.

Minutes from the May 8th meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

Stan reported that we have 63 members paid in full. Our bank balances remain healthy with the General Fund at \$2,544.73, the Blue Suit fund at \$20,883.92 and the monument fund at \$33,365.42. Our post office box is due for renewal in August. Stan will ensure that happens.

The Bag Dragger has not been published yet due to lack of articles about Blue Suit. Since we traditionally reserve the spring article for Blue Suit, we have had to wait for input. Still needed are the biographies of the winners, TAPS information and the President's Notes.

The website was discussed. Stan suggested that we put a counter on the site so we can have accurate usage data. We also need to update information on the site.

The bulk of our time was spent discussing the monument efforts. Fundraising is an issue that needs to be fully explored. The website needs to reflect current costs and design issues. There is a need to develop a plan of attack for members that is attainable due to the lack of success with our previous efforts. Matt will meet with Andy, Dale and Bob in an effort to breathe new life into our monument efforts. Stan will generate a semi-annual report detailing funding of the monument.

The recognition program at the recruiting school is in full swing. There is a need for volunteers to go and present the top graduate award from the AFRAA. Chief Gilley thanked us for the ongoing support. If you are interested in volunteering to present this award, please contact Sal Lagudi at slagudi@gmail.com.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am. Our next board meeting will be July 10th and Matt's home. Details will be forthcoming. We will meet at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Gandolfo

Mary Gandolfo, Secretary