



AFA Chapter 416 – Northeast Texas

Meeting Minutes: 13 March 2013 // 11:30 // McCullough Room

Call meeting to order (11:30): Opening comments from Vance Clarke

- Pizza dinner boxes were provided for lunch at this meeting from Pizza Hut, although the food arrived about quite late.
- Minutes from February approved
- Succession Planning
 - Once again, we need candidates for new officers – Vance stepping down as President in October
 - Vance will still do webpage and newsletter
- **Treasurer's Report** (Joe Gauthier):
 - Quarter Chapter Stuffer Sheet
 - Impressive quarter
- **Budget:**
 - Need to improve budget allocation process
 - Joe and Vance looking at different budget scenarios
 - Would like to capture budget in Quicken software
 - Behind on budgets
 - Vance – haven't yet decided on Murray scholarship money usage

ADVOCATE

Golf Thing (Vance):

- Vance getting plaque for Nancy Murray – Murray Memorial
- Still planning to have tournament September 21, 2013

Membership (Joe Wiser):

- National roster still not being kept up
- Our roster was on our webpage in January
- Terry – can't get his new address into the system
- Greg Hamilton SMSgt, 645 AESS
 - Will inquire about 6 April and 4 May participation
- Rick Williams – awards seem to be all we do to a lot of folks
- Terry – We need to nominate "Civilian of the Year"
- Vance – We have Medal of Freedom and Medal of Merit

Spring Thing (Tom):

- Vance – Our goal is (10) blue suiters at the Spring Thing
- Guest speaker CMSgt Mike Warner, AFMC/CCC, and Chief Perieda – Group Chief, don't have TDY money (sequester)
 - Less than \$1000, so Vance trying to fund through chapter
 - Will also check into a Waco visit for the Chief
 - All in attendance agreed with funding speaker visit
- (24) currently blocked off for the banquet
- No cadet names yet
- Vance keeping tabs on attendees
- Lt Gen Koziol and Lt Col Eckberg are backup speakers
- Nathan from the webpage effort will be the photographer
- Tammy – need to improve our communication on these types of events
- 29 March deadline for signup

Newsletter (Vance):

- Vance behind on newsletter inputs
- Needs ideas and suggestions
- Nathan Loper helping right now

Web Page Efforts (Vance):

- Repeated that everyone needs to go out on the web page, peruse and give feedback
- Need to know how much data storage space is needed
 - Looking at public storage options

- (14) have signed up on the site so far
- Want to import all addresses to easily distribute email announcements to community
 - Appreciates Tom's email with lists – working on it when possible
- Now have a CP Gallery started with photos
- Looking at possible uses of Paypal for billing and payments

EDUCATE

ENP (Earle North Parker) Scholarships (Tom Bailey):

- Have a couple of topics lined up
- Vance meeting with school boards to develop POC's
- Our ENP winner won 2nd at state
- We've been very pleased with our candidate's essays
- Will discuss improvements at state meeting
- Vance – when student wins scholarship, should we just give THEM the money?
 - Bushnell – money needs to go through the school
- Bushnell – educate instead of advocate?
- Some winners not going to school
 - Vocational training or technical school also OK
- Once again, chapter will not leave money in bank for more than 9 months

Education Missions/Efforts (Marsha Krotky):

- Rick – State award needs to come ahead of national award – sometimes there are sequencing conflicts that reduce the credibility of the awards
- Vance – give TOY an AF Memorial model?
- TOY now gets \$500
- Need to make schools aware of their \$500 share
- Vance has and will pitch to superintendants about money going to the schools
- Larry – make teachers aware of available grants from National

SUPPORT

CAP Requests: (Chuck Meador):

- CAP group competed at state meet
 - Came in 3rd
 - Believe that video showed they had won, but video not allowed in judging
 - Good experience for group even if they didn't win
- Expecting (8) at the Color Guard Event on 19 March
- Sgt. Bolton agreed to be tour guide for Det tour and promotion ceremony
- (1) of the cadets was accepted to Texas A&M

Community Partners: (Terry Thomas):

- (39) current members
- Cup & Saucer will write a check
- City of Greenville - paid
- Coker-Matthews - paid
- Getting Pelio's a plaque
- Eye Laser Care Center is a candidate
- Vance – no response from CP letters sent out
 - Will look at CP spreadsheet on web page and formulate follow-up approach
- Tammy – Shenanigans bought bowling alley - opportunity

State Meeting:

- Ricky Williams - Right now, only (30) folks signed up to attend

Cessna Santa: NTR

Veteran's Affairs: (Larry Ratliff):

- The description Larry gave in February on the flags at internments being returned to the VA were incorrect
- Current dates for the Bonham VA Hospital visits
 - 4 May
 - 2 November
 - Vance – will talk to schools that might possibly want to attend

AFROTC (Vance): - NTR

Airpower Advocate: - NTR

Future Interactive Efforts: - NTR

Meeting adjourned at 12:40

2013 Meeting Attendance

Last Name	First Name	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Date of Meeting		10	13										
Abel	Alexis												
Bailey	Tom		Y	Y									
Bryant	Tammy		Y	Y									
Bushnell	Mark			Y									
Carter	Jim												
Clarke	Vance			Y									
Davis	Foye												
Fauley	Jeff												
Gauthier	Joe			Y									
Hamilton	Greg			Y									
Henderson	Jim												
Johnson	Trey		Y	Y									
Krotky	Marsha												
Mathis	Dennis		Y										
Meador	Chuck		Y	Y									
Oates	Ted												
Ratliff	Larry		Y	Y									
Thomas	Terry			Y									
Williams	Ricky			Y									
Wiser	Joe		Y	Y									
Snarr	David TSgt												

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