



## AFA Chapter 416 – Northeast Texas

Meeting Minutes: 10 October 2012 // 11:30 // Recreation Hall @ L-3

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

- President Clarke called the meeting to order and thanked all for attending.
- Vance apologized for erroneous meeting date announcement
  - (email was generated for 11 Oct).

**Treasurer's Report** (Vance in Tammy's absence):

- **Treasurers' Report –**
  - Vance didn't have report with him, but Tammy submitted.
  - Vance stated money situation looks good and will get even better.

## ADVOCATE

**Golf Thing** (Terry Thomas):

- Joe Wiser gave tournament photos to Vance on disc.
- Vance asked Joe to send him a list of donators so he can generate "thank you" letters – Terry can help
- A very good sum of money was received through the tournament.
- \$3000 from L-3.
- The Gunnery Hole pulled in \$925.
- The Mavericks Ball itself brought \$2300 at the auction.
- A set of wine glasses went for \$620.
- Terry stated that \$10,000 was received from the Murrays.
- The chapter is asking for ideas to improve the tournament.
  - Should setup meeting later this month.

**Spring Thing** (Vance):

- Slated for 6 April
- Vance has asked CMSgt Michael Warner to speak
- Marsha Krotky has already set the reservation at TAMU-Commerce

**Membership** (Joe Wiser):

- Currently 422 members
- Vance asked Joe to generate a current roster
- Vance stated again that we need to look at different meeting locations and times.
  - Perhaps Tuesday or Thursday night would be best?
- We need a VP candidate.
  - Chuck will be too busy with CAP to serve as VP.
- We need to emphasize again that folks without military experience can serve in the organization.
- We need advertising and a membership goal.
- How about a membership table at the Golf Thing? Need this in future!
- Joe Gauthier was announced as Treasurer.
  - He needs signature authority.

**Newsletter** (Vance):

- Newsletter is very close to publication for this month.

**Web Page Efforts** (Vance):

- We need a budget and vendor recommendation from Mark that would allow the chapter to subcontract out the website effort.
- Does national organization have upload capability?
- Who does the work for other chapters?
- Could we post website at the state level (or at the highest reasonable level)?
  - Mark Bushnell stated some advantages:
    - Need consistent look to website
    - Costs would be reduced
    - Fewer website workers would be needed

**EDUCATE**

**ENP Scholarships** (Tom Bailey): - NTR

**Education Missions/Efforts** (Marsha Krotky): - NTR

## SUPPORT

### **CAP Requests (Chuck Meador):**

- The CAP cookout will be held at 6:00 pm on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October at the Sulphur Springs Airport.
- Chuck would like to schedule the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each quarter for recognizing outstanding achievements for the participants.
- Terry mentioned that Ralph Hall could help in the promotion of the group.
- Vance asked Chuck to provide a document outlining the planned activities of the CAP.
- It was mentioned that “Reach Across America” wreaths could be sold by CAP for placing in the national cemeteries.
  - Wreaths costs \$15 - \$5 comes back to CAP.

### **Community Partners: (Terry Thomas):**

- Vance asked for a count of CPs – 39?
- Vance said Joe needed to generate a CP list.

### **National Convention:**

- New AFA, Muellner, liked our coin for communicating our message
- General McKinley also liked the coins.
- We were on the AFA Facebook page.
- We discussed other uses of the coins – some for the entire national organization.
- Trey discussed his privilege for being associated with the organization and the caliber of people in it, as well as the lofty goals.
- Vance mentioned that next year the participants need to stay longer.
- Terry said attending the “Top (12) Airmen” event would be an outstanding experience.
- Vance said he thanked Mark Von Schwarz for the support of the Division.

### **Veteran’s Affairs: (Larry Ratliff):**

- Larry Ratliff needs to give the chapter input on the Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Bonham trip.

**AFROTC (Vance):** - NTR

**Airpower Advocate:** - NTR

**Future Interactive Efforts: - NTR**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:10**

**Action Items:**

- **Joe Wisner** – Send list to Vance so Vance can generate “thank you” letters for tournament donations – Terry can also help
- **Joe Wisner** – Generate membership roster
- **Vance Clarke** – Publish latest newsletter
- **Vance Clarke** – Need to decide on date and location changes for future meetings
- **Vance Clarke** – Setup meeting (later in October?) to discuss Golf Thing improvements.
- **Joe Gauthier** – Needs to obtain signature authority as new Treasurer.
- **Mark Bushnell** – Make a recommendation (budget and vendors) to President for subcontracting out the website work.
- **Chuck Meador** – Set up schedule of events on the 5<sup>th</sup> of each quarter to recognize well performing young CAP participants and publish in document to President Clarke.
- **Larry Ratliff** – Give inputs to Vance on next Bonham VA trip (Nov 3).

**2012 Meeting Attendance**

Last Name	First Name	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Date of Meeting		11	8	14	11	9	14		8				
Abel	Alexis												
Bailey	Tom		Y	y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		
Bryant	Tammy	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		Y	Y			
Bushnell	Mark			Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		
Carter	Jim			Y									
Clarke	Vance	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y		Y		Y		
Davis	Foye												
Fauley	Jeff					Y	Y						
Gauthier	Joe					Y							
Henderson	Jim												
Johnson	Trey	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		
Krotky	Marsha								Y				
Mathis	Dennis	Y			Y				Y	Y	Y		
Meador	Chuck	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		
Oates	Ted			Y			Y						
Ratliff	Larry	Y		Y	Y	Y			Y				
Thomas	Terry	Y	Y	Y			Y		Y	Y	Y		
Williams	Ricky	Y		Y	Y		Y				Y		
Wiser	Joe		Y	Y	Y		Y		Y		Y		
Snarr	David TSgt	Y											

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