



MEETING MINUTES
Executive Council Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, 5 October 2010

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Jeff Liffick called the meeting to order at 11:30 hours
- Jeff presented a \$10,000 check from the Chapter to Wright-Patterson Fisher House Executive Director Chris Stanley, who said: "When their capital campaign was kicked off in December 2007, the Wright Memorial Chapter donated \$10,000. This was significant for them to get the campaign rolling; they used it in their publicity. They are \$10,000 from reaching a million dollars, and this check from the Chapter today puts them over that mark. This is incredibly significant. Because of the \$20,000 donation, one of the rooms in the new house will be named in honor of the Wright Memorial Chapter. Thank you very much."
- David Coker, President of the Fisher House Foundation, was also present. Dan Thomas from WDTN Channel 2 filmed the event; it will be shown at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, 6 October 2010.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- Attendees introduced themselves

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

- **88th ABW** – Randy Parker was not present; Col. Duke Hazdra gave a brief summary and the full report was submitted by Randy Parker's office
 - Installation Stats:
 - # currently deployed installation-wide = 185
 - # departed this month = 3
 - # returned this month = 3
 - Past Events:
 - 08 September – Monthly Mayors and Managers event
 - 08 September – Air Education & Training Center Civic Leader Dinner
 - 09 September – Air Education & Training Center Civic Leader Breakfast
 - 10 September – ASC/CC Community Western BBQ
 - 11 September – Fairborn 8th Annual 9/11 Ceremony
 - 17 September – USAF Marathon Race Director's Breakfast, Pasta Dinner, and 5K Race
 - 18 September – USAF Marathon
 - Upcoming Events:
 - 6 October – Miami Valley DFD Agency Fair and Kick-off (at the Nutter Center)
 - 9 October – ASC Dining Out
 - 11 October – Columbus Day
 - 13 October – Lunch with ABW Senior Civilian Leader

- 13 October – Mayors and Managers Dinner
 - 21 October – Military Retiree Appreciation Day
 - 22 October – Air Force Art Gala Display and Dinner hosted by SECAF and CSAF
 - 23 October – AFMC International Ball
 - 28 October – Veterinary Clinic Grand Opening
 - 29 October – Pipeline Dorms Ribbon Cutting
- **445th AW** – Col. Stephen Goeman – not present
- **178th FW** – Col. Mike Roberts – not present
- **ROTC/Arnold Air Society** – Lt. Col. Joseph Bouchard, Jr. was not present; Capt. Stefanie Van Dyk gave the report for Wright State University's AFROTC Detachment:
 - The annual Career Night is scheduled for 16 November from 1800-2000 at Wright State University. We are looking for active duty officers willing to setup a table and talk to interested cadets about their career fields. We have a handful of engineering and nursing students as well as pilot selects. It would be wonderful if we could get representatives from those career fields, but we would like to see a broad range of career fields represented.
 - We currently have 232 cadets and a large number of different career goals. Please contact Capt. Jill Durbin at jill.durbin@wright.edu for more information.
- **Junior ROTC** – Col. Fred Schuster reported the following:
 - The Tecumseh AFJROTC supported the Air Force Marathon with 75 cadets working at the baggage check tent, the food tent, finish line, and area clean-up
 - Supported the "Honor Flight" Program – met WWII vets at 11:00 PM on Saturday nights at the Dayton Airport. The last trip for vets until next May is 23 October. The flight arrives at approximately 10:30 PM
 - Honor Flight: Started by Earl Morris in Springfield; asked about a visit to the memorial. He first took just one vet in his private plane to Washington DC, then two, and it increased from there. Now there are 32 hubs throughout the U.S. All flights are coordinated to be in DC on the same day. They arrive at Dulles Airport with a water cannon salute and airport greeting. They are bussed to WWII Memorial, then have Lunch, visit all of the other memorials, have Supper, and then leave for back home. They pay no cost but it does take \$275 per vet. They receive an airport greeting when they arrive back in Dayton.
 - The mission of the Honor Flight Network is to fly America's veterans to Washington, DC to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their sacrifice. Top priority is given to America's most senior veterans – survivors of WWII and any veterans with a terminal illness who wish to visit their memorial.
- **AFMC** – Lt. Col. Chad Millette made an announcement:
 - He is the POC for Public Affairs for the 2010 Miami Valley CFC Agency Fair and Kickoff Event. It will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, from 1100 – 1300 at the Nutter Center. There will be 130 agencies there discussing what they do for the community. These are agencies that we all support with our CFC donations. The event includes free food and entertainment. The entertainment consists of a dance crew competition kind of like the TV show, "So You Think You Can Dance". Attendees can

note for their favorite dance crew with their dollars, with all funds raised going into the special event category contributed to the CFC.

- **Civil Air Patrol** – Lt. Col. Kenneth E. Curell – not present
- **Dayton Development Coalition** – Colleen Ryan – not present

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Mary Bloyd – Thanked the Chapter for the honor of being elected as the Board Secretary; will work to insure that accurate and timely communications are conducted for the Chapter. Requests that those making reports email a copy to mbloyd@daytoncvb.net so the Meeting Minutes can be completed. Tony Boehm from The Greentree Group, the Chapter webmaster, is posting the Meeting Minutes on the website. They can be accessed at www.afadaytonwright.com. Under the "Chapter Info" link on the home page, click on "Monthly Meetings".

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Bob VanHook – We started the month of September with \$158,663. With expenses of \$47,347 and deposits of \$55,305, the ending balance as of 30 September 2010 is \$166,621. In addition, working on a reconciliation of the budget for this year which will become the template for next year's budget. This has turned out to be a rather substantial task. There are three different accounts which are managed and we are looking at merging into one account so that we might earn a little more interest.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **2010 Dayton Air Show Chalets** – Jim Heitz – not present
- **2010 AFMC Ball, Dragons Game, and Symposium** – Jeff Liffick – no report
- **2010 Marathon** – Fred Pumroy was not present; submitted a report:
 - The Air Force Marathon was a great success. Bellbrook had 48 AFROTC students attend who helped setup the streets, signage, balloon columns, escorted VIP's and created a cheering section.
 - There were 12,000 runners and 2,500 of them ran the full Marathon through downtown Fairborn. A couple of thousand people lined the streets to cheer the runners on.
 - Also helping were Jeff Liffick, Kent Owsley, Jo Smith and myself. We are already looking forward to next year.
- **2011 USATT Expo**, Tuesday-Friday, third week in July 2011 – Kent Owsley was not present.
 - Shiela Wallace reported talking briefly with Kent. It was reported last month that exhibits, speakers, and decisions on topics are not yet in place. This has not changed. Kent will have a meeting in the next week or so; hopefully we will have a different update next month.
 - Jeff Liffick commented that, for those unfamiliar with the USATT, the AFA and Dayton Defense hosted in 2009. We are planning for 2011 and have stood-up an independent board sponsored by the AFA and Dayton Defense and brought in NDIA as a third partner. However, we are less than pleased with the progress so far and waiting for an update. We may have to push this to 2013.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Leadership Development/Awards** – Ron Georges
 - We tried something different for our Chapter elections this year. The ballots were sent out by email rather than put into the Chapter Newsletter. Instead of getting about 16 results back, I am happy to say there were about 104 replies. This is a significant improvement and I think this is the way we will handle it in the future. I am happy to say that we have an attested election. With the incumbents plus Mary, we have an official Board for the next year. Congratulations to Jeff, Shiela, Bob and Mary.
 - For those of us fortunate enough to go to the National Convention in September, there was a very interesting election there also. For the first time in history, there was a contested election for Chairman.
 - AFA's leadership team for 2010-2011: Sanford Schlitt, Chairman of the Board; Justin Faiferlick, Vice Chairman of the Board and Field Operations; George Muellner, Vice Chairman of the Board and Aerospace Education; Joan Sell, Secretary; Leonard Vernamonti, Treasurer; and for the Great Lakes Region, Bill Grider from Indiana.
 - Jeff Liffick remarked that for Chapter elections, we are on a two-year cycle. This year's election was an affirmation of the Board for the second part of the two years. We appreciate your confidence and hopefully, we will continue to do a good job.
- **Communications** – Tom Dinino – not present
 - Jeff Liffick encouraged anyone that has a report on activities that we have participated in to get information in for updates for the Newsletter. We want to be able to market these events throughout the Association.
- **Community Partners** – Gary Strack
 - Tam Mehuron from AFA National HQ informed him they hope to have their new database up and running by November – he will then have an accurate status of all of the Chapter's Community Partners.
 - Introduced April Schanher from the Crowne Plaza Dayton hotel who recently submitted their application and a check to become a new Community Partner – April informed everyone that the Crowne Plaza is undergoing a major renovation which will be finished in the Spring of 2011, and commented that "the hotel will be like new".
 - Presented a medallion to Tina Waldrop for the renewal of the Dayton Marriott's Community Partner membership – Tina expressed their support for the AFA and that they are happy to be a Community Partner.
 - Presented a Community Partner plaque and medallion to Mary Bloyd from the Dayton/Montgomery County Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB). Mary explained the CVB is a non-profit organization, funded by the hotel bed tax. Their mission is to contact those groups and organizations who hold regional and national meetings, annual conferences, and other events, and offer Dayton/Montgomery County as a meeting or convention location. As a Sales Manager for the CVB, Mary focuses on the Education, Health & Medical, and Federal Government markets. Four other colleagues at the Bureau work in different market areas, all with a focus of bringing business meetings into Dayton/Montgomery County.

- **Membership** – Dee Cox
 - Shiela Wallace turned in one membership to her. The Chapter members list has not been updated since May 2010, due to the database changeover at the national office. This should be resolved soon.
- **Aerospace Education** – Sharon Murner
 - The Chapter Educators’ Action Team (Sharon Murner, Shiela Wallace, and Julie Livingston) held their Fall AFA Grant Writing Workshops at STARBASE on Friday, 1 October 2010, and Saturday, 2 October 2010. A special thanks goes out to the Wright-Patterson Education Outreach Office for hosting us at STARBASE. Fifty-four teachers were signed up over both days. Many great grants were being written and we are hopeful our teachers will receive what they have applied for.
 - The Educators’ Action Team has also put in place about three-fourths of the proposed workshops for TechFest, which will take place over President’s Day in February 2011, along with three of the four workshops for April. More will be coming on this in the future.
 - Sharon and Shiela met with Carla Nicolosi on Tuesday to work on the Visions Program for the 2010-2011 school year. We have registered for 205 classes, the same as we had last year. We have asked the Board to consider budgeting for up to 210, an approximate \$500.00 increase in the Education Budget.
 - USA Today made a donation of \$750.00 to the AFA Educators’ Action Team to provide extra help with the TechFest workshops. We hope to use these funds to incorporate two computer rooms into the program, if this is feasible.
 - Aerospace Education was presented with the award from AFA National for being outstanding in our program work.
- **Programs** – Fred Pumroy – nothing to report
- **Government Relations** – Ron Thompson
 - There will be no activity to report until after the elections. Reminded everyone that elections are next month.
- **Veterans Affairs** – George Simons – Vita Eonta reported the following:
 - The Holiday Celebration for Veterans in the Psychosocial Rehabilitation Program (PSR) is 18 November 2010 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM serving about 120 veterans. The AFA is sponsoring ten meals. Volunteers are encouraged to come out to help serve and to socialize with our veterans. (\$150 to Volunteer Service PSR Meal and give)
 - The annual AFA/AFSA Christmas party for veterans is scheduled for 4 December 2010. We always budget \$250 to AFSA to cover the cost of food
 - The keynote speaker for the next Women Veterans Conference, scheduled for 8 October 2011 has just been selected. She is Janis Nark, a veteran of both Vietnam and Desert Storm, a multi-published author who runs two different and successful companies, and has a double black diamond run named for her (Nark’s Nook). Her message is titled: “Change is Mandatory; Stress is Manageable; Misery Is Optional”.
 - We submitted our annual budget for 2011 of \$1,850 for the following:
 - December Christmas Party \$250
 - 18 November PSH Holiday Celebration \$150
 - February Valentine’s Party \$400
 - June Picnic \$250

- Women's VA Conference \$300
- VA Unfunded Needs \$500
- **State of Ohio President's Report** – Kent Owsley – not present

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing to report

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Submitted for the Chapter:
Mary Bloyd, Dayton/Montgomery County CVB
AFA Chapter 212 Community Partner