

# AIR FORCE SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION

24 May 2011

## MEMORANDUM FOR ALL AFSA MEMBERS

**FROM:** MSgt Hart

**SUBJECT:** AFSA Meeting Minutes

1. **Date:** 24 May 2011
2. **Time:** 0746
3. **Place:** Newtch's Den
4. **Chairperson:** SMSgt Joseph Laursen
5. **Members in Attendance:**

CMSgt Robert Ellis	SMSgt Rachel Bryan-Teige
SMSgt Joseph Laursen	MSgt Brian Noethlich
MSgt Christopher Hart	TSgt Eugene Budnik
TSgt Frank Henderson	SSgt Joseph Neikirk
SSgt Evelyn Chaney	SSgt Twyla Keyes
SSgt Liz Foley	SSgt Leeanne Witherspoon
SrA Brian Davis	SrA Alyssa Baguyo
A1C Dylan Williams	A1C Tommy Giles
A1C Eric Parker	A1C Alexander Bradshaw
A1C Anthony Locke	A1C Sean Filer
A1C Edward Mitchell	

6. **Farewells/Retirements:** None this meeting

7. **Hails:**

8. **Treasury Report:** SSgt Awanda was unable to attend. SMSgt Laursen reported we have roughly \$1,600 in our account at this time.

9. **Legislative Affairs:** SMSgt Bryan-Teige reported that the big focus on Capitol Hill at this time concerning us is Tri Care. She has been sending out the newsletters on a regular basis. Contact her if you are not receiving them.

**10. President's Report:**

- a. SMSgt Laursen attended the Division 11 Convention. He said it was a good meeting with a lot of up to date information. He mentioned that AFSA is now under 100,000 members and a big concern for the entire organization. We need to focus on recruiting and retention.

**11. Command Chief's Comments:**

- a. CMSgt Ellis asked the AFSA body to talk about AFSA's numbers to the masses and why it is important. We need to emphasize what AFSA does for every person associated with the military.
- b. CMSgt Ellis also emphasized the importance of the BELDT initiative. We are setting our people up for success today and for tomorrow. Our promotion rates for MSgt were 9% above AF average. He believes our professional development programs help Team Buckley members be ahead of the rest of the force.
- c. CMSgt Ellis also asked that we focus on the 101 critical days of summer. Be good wingmen and watch out for each other.

**12. Guest Speaker:** None this meeting

**13. Old Business:**

- a. JROTC Leadership Awards were presented at Westminster and Aurora Central High Schools. (Closed)
- b. Our Chapter received the Top Recruiting Award for Division 11. TSgt Schrank received Top Recruiter for Division 11. (Closed)
- c. AFSA raised \$427.00 with the bowling fundraiser. (Closed).

**14. New Business:**

- a. Lunch and Learn Seminar hosted by First Command will be on 23 June. (Open: SMSgt Laursen)
- b. Freedom Fest - We will have a recruiting booth at the event with free Gatorade. We are looking to hand out AFSA Chapter 1179 "Goodies" for new members. (Open: SMSgt Laursen/MSgt Hart)
- c. ALS Graduation 23 June - Academic Achievement Award will be presented by SSgt Witherspoon. (Open: SMSgt Laursen)
- d. Joint Junior Enlisted Appreciation Day - We will work with the 5/6 council to see if they need assistance in this event. (Open: SMSgt Laursen)
- e. Secretary: TSgt Henderson was voted in as our new chapter Secretary. (Closed: SMSgt Laursen)
- f. Professional Airman's Conference - End of July is the convention. If you are able to attend and receive TDY funding from your squadron, let SMSgt Laursen or MSgt Hart know. We will need representatives to attend. (Open: SMSgt Laursen/MSgt Hart)

**15. Open Floor**

- a. SSgt Foley asked about a base Airmen's Attic. SMSgt Bryan-Teige mentioned that the First Sgt council was working on re-opening a facility. The hold-up is

having a facility. SSgt Chaney said she could help create a “Virtual” site that could help get items to individuals who need it while we wait for a facility to open up. (Open: SSgt Foley/SSgt Chaney/SMSgt Bryan-Teige)

b. SSgt Chaney volunteered to assist SSgt Floyd in maintaining our website as well as create a SharePoint site for our Chapter. (Open: SSgt Chaney/SSgt Floyd)

**16. Next Meeting:** 21 June, 1530, Newtch’s.

**17. Meeting Adjourned:** 0831L.

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Vice President

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All AFSA Members