

AFTAC Alumni Association

The monthly meeting of the AFTAC Alumni Association was held on Mar 12th, 2018. Members and guest present were Frank Calenda, Jim Whidden, Mike Steskal, Ed Lindsay, Bob Wiley, Gene Melchior, Dee Melchior, Dr. Mike Young, John Horsch, Frank Hall, Judy Henderson, Terry Hammond, Howard Dibble, Tony DeMarco, Ron Prudhomme, Sean Ryan, Don Tate, and Arlin Massey,

New Members/Guest: None.

Approval of Minutes: With no changes to the minutes, Mike Steskal made the motion that they be approved as published. Frank Hall seconded. Motion carried.

Comments by AFTAC CC/CV: Jim Whidden announced that the Re-Organization Plan has been approved followed by a discussion of some of the details.

AFTAC Command Chief: Not present.

Treasurers Report: Sean Ryan presented the treasurers report with a checking account balance of \$3919.72 and savings of \$21,027.44. John Horsch made the motion that the treasurers report be approved. Arlin Massey seconded. Motion carried.

Membership Report: Mike Steskal reported there are now 594 Florida Alumni members (564 lifetime and 30 year to year). He discussed sending out postcards to those members receiving hardcopy PoMo's to describe the cost sharing of printing and postage of the future hardcopy PoMo's

Post Monitor: John Horsch reported that he will be calling for submission of articles for the upcoming PoMo in the very near future. He said the pricing of the hardcopy PoMo will take effect with the Aug 2018 edition. He will have an article in the upcoming PoMo explaining in detail this change.

Website Committee: Frank Calenda said he and Pete Gilbert have been working on a project to provide extra protection to our website and make it more proprietary. He discussed some on those procedures and updates including allowing elected members of the alumni access to the data base with read-only privileges. **(OPEN)**

SAGE Shop: Arlin Massey reported that during the last Boosters Club meeting there was a discussion of the status of the old AFTAC letters from the now demolished headquarters building 989. They said that the Booster Club cannot sell these letters and the alumni can have them to sell (Sage Shop). This will be followed up with the appropriate individuals. **(OPEN)**

Historian: Dr. Mike Young discussed the Wall of Honor and said the next inductee ceremony will be on 27 Mar at 1400. He announced that the latest selectees are Robert "Bob" Wiley, Susan "Sue" Spencer, and William "Bill" McClelland. An invitation will be released for attendance of this ceremony. He also discussed providing stories from the Nucleus for publication in the PoMo.

Heritage Committee: Jim Whidden reminded us that all previous submission to the Heritage Committee may be added to and/or update for reconsideration to the Wall of Honor. Bob Wiley said he now understands why he wasn't involved in the last Heritage Committee selection process since he was a nominee.

Memorial for Line of Duty Deceased AFTAC'ers: In Lou Seiler absence Ed Lindsay discussed the status of the corporation and said that Deborah Carson had been elected to the board to lead the marketing/donation efforts. Work continues in securing 501.C(3), as well as satisfying the requirements of state of Florida and the IRS. **(OPEN)**

OLD BUSINESS:

Budget: Ed Lindsay said we will continue our discussions of a zero balance budget at the next meeting. **(OPEN)**

AFTAC Cares Program: The next "Pack and Wrap" is scheduled for the first Thursday of April. **(OPEN)**

Snowball 18 Recap: Sean Ryan expressed his sincere and great appreciation to all those that assisted him for another outstanding event that was enjoyed by all who attended. **(CLOSED)**

NEW BUSINESS:

Spring Golf N' Get Together. The next golf event is planned for May 4th. Volunteers are needed so please help if you're not playing. More information is forth coming.

Honor Flight: Jim Whidden led a discussion of the Honor Flight and invited all to participate in this very worthwhile project.

Next AFTAC Alumni Meeting: The next AFTAC Alumni Association meeting will be at 4:00 PM on April 9th in the AFTAC Lobby Conference.

Adjournment: With no further business, Sean Ryan made a motion that we adjourn. Ed Lindsay seconded. Motion Carried and we adjourned at 12:56 PM.

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