

AFTAC Alumni Association

The AFTAC Alumni Association (AFTACAA) General Membership Meeting was held via teleconference at 4:00 on 12 April 2021. Members that teleconferenced in were Bob Fitzgerald, Sean Ryan, Phil Godfrey, Bob Wiley, Lou Seiler, Mike Young, Rob Christman, Joseph Morgan, Bill Hinkel, Fred Budelman, and Arlin Massey.

New Members/Guest: None

Approval of Minutes: With no corrections to the March minutes as published, Phil Godfrey made a motion that they are approved as published, and Sean Ryan seconded. Minutes approved.

Comments by AFTAC CC/CV/Command Chief: Mike Young said the building will be back to one-hundred percent manning soon and the Commander looks forward to meeting the alumni in the "Green Room" soon. He also said that in the military in general, thirty percent of all members are refusing to get the COVID-19 vaccinations, so we will see how this plays out. Also, the Wall of Honor ceremony is scheduled for 26 May 2021 at 2:00 and all alumni are/will be officially invited.

Treasurers Report: Sean Ryan reported that the checking account has a balance of \$5,421.80.

Membership Report: Not present.

Post Monitor (Po Mo): The draft Po Mo has been out for review and is almost ready to go to press. There are approximately 25 people who have paid to have the Po Mo mailed. In the past, we went through a publishing company but with fewer copies, the price per copy is much higher. Starting with this upcoming issue, we will go through a local printing service and do our own mailing. **(OPEN)**

Website Committee: Not present. **(OPEN)**

Pay Online Options for Website: Not present. **(OPEN)**

SAGE Shop: Not present. **(OPEN)**

AFTAC Historian: Mike Young reported that during the 2021 Christmas Open House, the Commander will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the opening of the AFTAC Heritage Room with the AFTAC Alumni in attendance. **(OPEN)**.

AFTAC Heritage Committee: Bob Wiley said he has nothing to report. **(OPEN)**

AFTAC Memorial Corporation (AFTACMC) Memorial for Line of Duty Deceased AFTAC'ers: Lou Seiler reported there were no donations since our last meeting in March. Our checkbook has \$43 thousand and that is from 56 donors. In our next AFTACMC meeting will be on 15 April. Additionally, we're planning an auction shortly to sell the remaining letters from the front of

the old building and paperweights made from the marble floor tile from its main entrance as a fundraiser. More information to follow on the auction as its plans are finalized. **(OPEN)**

2022 Worldwide Reunion (2022 WWR): Sean Ryan said he will shortly send out a survey of proposed dates for the 2022WWR and to determine who/whom is, is not, or maybe coming and what date they would prefer as listed in the survey. Specifically, dates are in April, June, or August. Once the survey is returned with a date selected, the hotel selection process will start as was the case last year. More to come. **(OPEN)**

Membership Enhancement Ideas for 2021: No discussion. **(OPEN)**

20 Year Wall: Tony De Marco reported via email that we now have 117 AFTAC'ers on the wall with the following updates since the March meeting:

- SMSgt Paul Dennis Wall #113
- Col Michael Lubin Wall #114
- MSgt Tess Ailshire Wall #115
- MSgt Mike Farrell Wall #116
- MSgt Dave Straughn Wall #117

Careers currently in work:

- MSgt Bill Ferguson Wall #TBD
- TSgt Butch Overby Wall #TBD
- MSgt Joe Ford Wall #TBD
- MSgt Stephen Rice Wall #TBD
- TSgt Harris Graeber Wall #TBD
- TSgt Don Holland Wall # TBD

Also, initial contact has been made with several others. If you have additional AFTAC'ers who are not on the wall and you believe should be, let us know. **(OPEN)**

Old Business:

Golf Tournament: Phil Godfrey discussed the probability of having a golf tournament and said to stay tuned. With Ed Lindsay championing the cause, there should be one soon.

AFTAC Alumni Picnic: No discussion. **(OPEN)**

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next AFTAC Alumni Meeting: Our next AFTAC Alumni Meeting will be held on Monday, May 10th, 2021 from 4:00 – 5:00 via teleconference.

Comments: Sean Ryan again reminded everyone of the upcoming Cocoa Beach Air Show on the 17-18 of April and said most viewing areas are sold out.

Adjournment: With no further comments, Phil Godfrey asked for a motion to adjourn. Judy Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Sean Ryan seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:56.

Arlin Massey
Secretary, AFTAC Alumni Association