

AFTAC Alumni Association

The monthly meeting of the AFTAC Alumni Association was held via teleconference at 4:00 on Jun 8th, 2020. Members that called in were Judy Henderson, Sean Ryan, Phil Godfrey, Lou Seiler, Terry Hammond, Ed Lindsay, Frank Hall, Mike Young, Rob Christman, and Arlin Massey.

New Members/Guest: None.

Approval of Minutes: With no corrections to the minutes as published, Sean Ryan made the motion that they are approved. Arlin Massey seconded. Motion carried.

Comments by AFTAC CC/CV/Command Chief: Mike Young reported that the HQ is getting back to 25% manning and business is coming back slowly. Mike said the Commander wants to get people back in the building by the 3rd week of July. Also, the new Chief of Staff, Dr. Kevin Muhs, is in place with Jim Whidden's retirement this last week.

Treasurers Report: Sean Ryan reported that the checking account has a balance of \$2,170.08.

Membership Report: Not Present

Post Monitor (PoMo): Phil Godfrey led off the continuing discussion concerning the cost of printing and mailing the PoMo and cost of future issues. The cost to publish and distribute the last PoMo with 223 hard copies was \$606, and we send the PoMo three times a year so that is over \$1,800 a year. There is no cost to publish the PoMo electronically. After a very lengthy discussion, it was decided that starting with our new fiscal year on Oct 1, 2020, those members who want PoMo hard copies will be charged \$10 yearly for printing and mailing. Phil Godfrey said he will send a letter to all these folks explaining the cost of printing and mailing and the necessity for this cost. Likewise, this necessary action will be addressed in the Aug 2020 PoMo.

Website Committee: Phil Godfrey discussed a growing need to find someone to help Pete Gilbert in maintaining our web site. This could even be someone who could take it over in the future. We have relied on Pete to do it all, but it is time to get him some help. After discussions, Phil said he will send an E-All out to all alumni looking for someone with the right skill sets that can assist Pete. Mike Young will get with Pete to determine what skill sets are needed. We also discussed looking in the house to the building for voluntary assistance, but with duty assignment rotations, this may not be practical. More discussion to follow. **(OPEN)**

SAGE Shop: Not Present.

AFTAC Historian: Mike Young said his book is at DOE for review and he looks forward to publication in the future.

AFTAC Heritage Committee: Mike Young talked about working on 2 packages for the Wall of Honor and encouraged others to submit packages. He said he will assist as always.

Memorial for Line of Duty Deceased AFTAC'ers: Lou Seiler said we have had only 2 brick orders this month which means that with this slow response there will not be a dedication at the next Worldwide Reunion in 2021. Mike Young, as a member of the AFTAC Memorial Corporation, said we may need to look at a phased approach to complete our memorial. **(OPEN)**

2021 Worldwide Reunion, 17 – 21 June: Sean Ryan said Sherry at "A Complete Reunion" is in the initial planning for our upcoming event which includes discussing the number of rooms that can be blocked, size meeting rooms, etc.. Sean said is still working on getting the continuity folders from the last reunion in Florida. **(OPEN)**

Membership Enhancement Ideas for 2020. Phil Godfrey said there was no change in the status of this item. **(OPEN)**

20 Year Wall. Phil Godfrey read an email update from Tony DeMarco concerning the status of the 20 Year Wall.

Since the last Meeting, the Revised Careers for MSgt Ken Breitwieser, John Horsch, and SMSgt Dale Klug have been Posted on the Wall. I am also working on two new Wall Career additions.

For MSgt Dave Good, a Career Draft has been completed and waiting on Dave to provide a suitable picture. Once received, the package will go to the Board for review.

SMSgt Joe Borowski is working on putting together his Career Draft. Joe was an Old School 99125 working initially in the "Q" system and finished his career as a Special Equipment Operator (SEO). He had multiple Det, Depot, and HQ Assignments during his 28 years in AFTAC.

Finally, I'm also working on SMSgt Lindsay Miller Obit for the Alumni Association Obit Archives. Lindsay passed in 1998 and did not have a formal Obit published. I am working with his wife Mary to put together something appropriate for our Web Site.

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

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Next AFTAC Alumni Meeting: Our July meeting will be via teleconference, unless social distancing requirements change, on Monday, July 13th at 4:00.

Comments: Lou Seiler said we need to have the past President to set up the nominating committee for the upcoming elections and we also need to start the process for selection for AOY of the Year.

Adjournment: With time for our teleconference running out, Phil Godfrey made the motion that the meeting is adjourned, Judy Henderson seconded, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:33.

Arlin Massey
Secretary, AFTAC Alumni Association