



**MINUTES OF THE
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AFSA Kittyhawk Chapter 751
5 June 2007**

1. President, CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia, called the meeting to order at 1135 in the Rocker Lounge, WPAFB Club with approximately 31 people in attendance. The meeting began with the usual introductions of first time attendees and executive council, opening remarks, etc.
2. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
(n/a)
3. **REPORTS:**
 - a. **Secretary:** May minutes were approved as-is and are on file.
 - b. **Treasurer:** April financial report was approved.
 - c. **Enlisted Partnership:** SMSgt George Broome. Nothing significant to report (NSTR).
 - d. **Airman Activities Coordinator:** SrA Jacquelyn Allen and SrA Rebecca Amusa. Dorm Pizza Party is scheduled for 26 Jun/1700hrs. Highway clean-up is scheduled for 16 June; e-mail soliciting volunteer support is forthcoming.
 - e. **Membership:** MSgt (Ret) Rodney Hromada – Chapter now hails at 3,114 members. Discussion: Due to technical glitches, HQ AFSA website is experiencing difficulty with processing applications. Recommend using snail mail until problems are resolved. Continue to emphasize Recruit-One/Retain-One!
 - f. **Legislation:** SMSgt (Ret) Fred Dembinski – Please log on to THOMAS Legislation, <http://www.hcst.net/afsa751/legislation.htm> to view any bill. Discussion: continued emphasis on Senate Bill 19—exempts military retirement pay from personal income tax for Ohio residents—please call, write, e-mail, etc. your elected representative and urge endorsement/passing.
 - g. **Communications:** MSgt Rolando Pabon – 800 or so hard copies of the newsletter were mailed out to our members with out internet access. **Chapter Web Page:** TSgt (Ret) Jeff Stepanek – Please continue to send/e-mail any photos covering our community activities.
 - h. **Auxiliary:** Julie Durkee – Next meeting is scheduled for 19 Jun 07, 1900 hrs in the Courtyard room.
4. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. **50/50 Fund Raiser:** SMSgt George Broome – request/paperwork is being routed through legal. (OPEN)
 - b. **Membership Drive:** MSgt (Ret) Rodney Hromada – Membership drive from 18/19 May did not generate the numbers expected, but great time was had by all participants. Planning for the next quarterly membership drive already under way. (CLOSED)
 - c. **Fairborn Chamber Chat:** CMSgt (Ret) Chuck Worm – 16 May event at the Nutter Center yielded \$1.4K from Hot Dog/Hamburgers sales and great time was had by all. (CLOSED)
 - d. **Commissary Case Lot Sale:** CMSgt (Ret) Chuck Worm – final numbers are being tallied. (OPEN)
 - e. **Relay-for-Life:** CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia – Tremendous volunteer support, 60+ walkers/manned all shifts, raised over \$7K, \$55K raised overall. (CLOSED)
 - f. **AADD** – SrA Jacquelyn Allen and SrA Rebecca Amusa – event took place on Friday, 18 May, 2200 – 0300 hrs, led to 10 saves. (CLOSED)

- g. **Yellow Springs Street Fair:** SMSgt George Broom – Scheduled for 9 June, e-mail soliciting volunteer support is forthcoming. Looking at two shifts, 0700 – 1230 and 1230 – 1730. (OPEN)
- h. **VA Picnic:** CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia – Tremendous volunteer support, about 40 - 45 volunteers, made the event memorable. Representatives ranged from Girl/Boy Scouts, base populace, and even Col. Ryan made time for the event. No concrete numbers yet, but Hospital stated that it was the single largest donation received. (CLOSED)
- i. **Freedom's Call Tattoo:** CMSgt (Ret) Chuck Worm – Will require a lot of volunteer support, looking at two shifts for both days, 0700 – 12:30 and 12:30 – 18:00 hrs. Note, must be 21 years of age to volunteer since this involves selling alcohol. (OPEN)
- j. **Dayton Air Show:** SMSgt (Ret) Fred Dembinski – Scheduled for 28/29 July, will be soliciting at least 50 volunteers. Additional details to follow as date nears. (OPEN)
- k. **Kings Island:** TSgt (Ret) Jeff Stepanek – GM voted not to pursue this event since cost of investment outweighs the benefits that could be gained. (CLOSED)
- l. **Commander Action Information Board (CAIB):** TSgt Chris Parsons – Executive Council decided/voted to keep chapter involved and brief Chapter How-Goes-It at the CAIBs. TSgt Parsons has taken a position with the Sheriff's Department in Florida and will be leaving in the upcoming month. In light of this, President Garcia recognized TSgt Parsons with a Certificate of Appreciation for his remarkable involvement through out the years and extended his farewell/Godspeed wishes. (OPEN)

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **AF Heritage:** CMSgt (Ret) Greg Humphries – Proposed establishing a Heritage Forum/Committee. Focus of the committee would be to invite distinguished veterans from the Berlin Airlift, Tuskegee Airmen, Flying Tiger, WWII, etc and request that they tell their story. Details of the proposal will be located on our website. The executive council solicits comments from the general membership. More information to follow. (OPEN)
- b. **1st Trustee:** CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia – MSgt Rolando Pabon was nominated and elected to the post by GM. Position of Trustee 1 was briefly open with SMSgt (Ret) Fred Dembinski's resignation. (CLOSED)
- c. **AFSA Int'l Website:** CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia – New website is open for business, however, there are some technical glitches that need resolution. AFSA HQ requests your patience as they work to resolve these glitches. (CLOSED)
- d. **GMM for July:** CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia – Col. Ryan, 88 ABW/CC and honorary chapter president will be the guest speaker. In observance of Independence Day, the next General Membership meeting will be held on 10 July instead of 3 July. (CLOSED)

6. Meeting was adjourned around at 1235 hrs, next General Membership meeting is scheduled for 10 July.

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