



Air Force Association
Gen E.W. Rawlings Chapter #213

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

12 June 2011

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes for 10 May 2011, Ft Snelling Officer's Club

Vic Seavers called the meeting to order at 1730 hours.

1. Members present (25): Richard Ballentine, Larry Brockshus, Julie Eszlinger-Jensen, Bob Jaspersen, Jim Johns, Bob McGonigal, Steve Miller, Dan Murphy, Steven Orwig, David Pohlen, Heidi Priestley, Bruce Roberts, Larry Sagstetter, Vic Seavers, Kevin Sliwinski, Thomas Theis, Jane Vail, Lloyd Ward, Mary Ward, Dennis Yeager, Russ Jensen, Suzanne Asher, Luke Restad, Rebekkah Lennartson, and Thomas Hynnek.
2. The meeting was opened with a 20 minute video from the "Silent Wings" series. Russ Jensen from the glider group brought the video and will be showing 20-30 minute segments during the next several meetings to help educate the AFA Rawlings Chapter about the role of gliders in WWII. Motion was also made and carried to provide the glider group with the additional \$2500 needed to complete their glider restoration project.
3. We also had a presentation from Suzanne Asher, President for the Veteran in the Arts program here in Minneapolis. Her goal was to help educate veteran's groups about the availability of this art based program. The program supports veterans' participation in art classes in the Twin Cities including some tuition free classes. For more information see the website www.veteransinthearts.org.

REPORTS

4. Meeting minutes for April 2011 were approved by the membership.
5. Treasurer – Ralph Delperdang (via email submission)
 - Savings balance: \$6,000.78
 - Checking balance: \$7,183.07
 - Income since last meeting: \$6,675.00
 - \$2,675.00 – Award's Dinner Attendees
 - \$4,000.00 – Hubbard Communications – Award's Dinner Sponsorship
 - Expenditures since last meeting: \$3,573.41
 - \$2,555.89 – Royal Cliff – Awards Dinner
 - \$250.00 – Julie White – Teacher of the Year Award
 - \$576.72 – Bob McGonigal – Awards Dinner awards and printing costs
 - \$190.80 – Larry Sagstetter – Web site expense for 24 months
 - Pending Transactions – None
 - Ralph provided a report of the cash flow for the 2011 Awards Dinner. As of submission date, the total Income was \$6775 and total expenses were \$4232.61 for a net income of \$2,542.39.

6. Gambling Report

- Charitable Resources: The gambling manager's Charitable Resources Supervisory Committee report was passed around to the general membership in attendance. Included were the following items of interest: cash status, projection of expenses, specific payroll reports, inventory report, listing of all grants paid, all purchases invoices, bank reconciliation, and monthly gambling fund reconciliation (see addendum).
- The charitable gaming report for the month of April 2011 was covered.
 - Net revenue was \$29,626
 - Expenses were \$20,213
 - Taxes were \$10,453
 - Net income after taxes \$(1,040)
 - Grants paid total \$5,498
 - Profit Carryover \$7,258
- Report was approved by membership.
- Audit is still under way and is expected to be complete by the next meeting.

7. Civil Air Patrol – Minnesota Wing activities

- 16-17 Apr: North Central Region Cadet Comp @ Sioux Falls SD – Team took 4th Place
- 13-15 May: Encampment Prep School @ Camp Ripley
- 20-22 May: Northern Search and Rescue Exercise @ Grand Rapids Airport
- 4-5 Jun: Multi Unit Search and Rescue Training and Networking Gathering @ Arden Hills Army Training Site
- 11-18 Jun: Cadet Encampment @ Camp Ripley
- 16-23 Jul: Flight Academy – Powered Flight – Fleming Field in South St Paul

8. AF Junior ROTC

- Lt Col Brockshus from Park High School mentioned plans for trip to Oskosh Airshow and a 2 week survival training in August.
- Cadet Hynnek presented AFA Rawlings Chapter president, Vic Seavers, with an honorary membership to the JrROTC Kitty Hawk Society
- Cadet Lennartson from the Park High School Honor Guard presented a request for support from the AFA Rawlings Chapter for financial support of the Honor Guard's Equipment Refresh program. The request was for \$700 and Cadet Lennartson provided an excellent description and discussion of the needs. A motion was made and carried by the membership to provide requested support.

9. ROTC Det 410- University of St Thomas

- Cadet Reston thanked us for supporting St Thomas cadets trip to the AAS National Convention in New York
 - New national project is "Active America" – promoting fitness in America
 - Presented a slideshow of the events at NATCON
 - Major Priestley was honored with the Mary Ann Thompson Award for the Best Support by an individual AFA member of the Silver Wings Organization. Congrats Maj Priestley!
- UST was preparing for the commissioning of 16 Lieutenants on 21 May 2011.

10. Associated Units

- CMSgt Orwig provided some deployment numbers for the 934AW. The unit is currently 93% manned with 1300 members. For 2010 they supported 257 deployed billets for 13,500 man days at 22 locations. So far for 2011 they have supported 252 deployed billets with 21,400 man days at 17 locations.

11. Aerospace Education

- Jane Vail from USA Today indicated it was time to firm up a commitment for the number of Vision Classrooms the chapter would support for the next school year. The cost for the 2011/12 school year would be \$120 per classroom. A general discussion ensued with the membership and support for 100 classrooms was proposed. A motion was made and carried by the membership for support of 100 classrooms.

NEW BUSINESS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. AFA Rawlings Chapter President Vic Seavers made two presentations.

- First was to Vicky and Bruce Roberts for their tremendous efforts in running the charitable gaming operations for the chapter.
- Second was to Bob McGonigal for his continued work with chapter membership, publishing the chapter newsletter, and running the annual awards dinner (just to name a few).

13. "Wings of the North" is July 15-17. Bob Jaspersen invited members to participate in the Friday night dinner and the weekend air show. He also thanked CMSgt Orwig with his help in getting a C-130 at the air show.

14. Major Priestley announced another opportunity for involvement by the chapter to honor those that serve. The "2011 The Festival of Tribute & Honor" sponsored by the New Hope Community Services of America, Inc. The tribute will be held 16-18 September and more details will follow. Members can visit the website <http://www.nhcsa-mn.org> for more information.

- The mission of the New Hope Community Services of America, Inc is to offer life-changing services promoting stability, dignity, and self-reliance, while recognizing that every person is created equal. The organization will honor our stellar performers: veterans, active Armed Forces, law enforcement officers, fire-fighters, and medical emergency personnel.

15. Meeting adjourned at approximately 1900L. Next meeting is 14 Jun 2011 at the Fort Snelling Officers' Club at 1730L.

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DAVID J POHLEN, Lt Col, USAF (Ret)
Secretary