## **AFTAC Alumni Association**

The monthly meeting of the AFTAC Alumni Association was held on Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 4:00 in the AFTAC Command Conference Room. Members present were Col Gorski, Ed Lindsay, Joe Goldian, Bob Wiley, Mike Steskal, Terry Hammond, John Howorth, SMSGT Rob Christman, CMSGT Joseph, Frank Calenda, Don Holland, MSgt Travis Goll, Frank Hall, Dee Melchior, Gene Melchior, Judy Henderson, Eileen Best, Sean Ryan, and Arlin Massey.

New Members/Guest: None.

**Approval of Minutes**: With no changes to the minutes, Joe Goldian made the motion that they be approved as presented. Sean Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

**Comments by AFTAC CC/CV**: Col Gorski graciously invited use to accompany him to the command conference for out meeting. There he discussed his support of the alumni association and its significance to the organization

**AFTAC Command Chief:** Command Chief Joseph discussed several items including the rich heritage of AFTAC and the upcoming release of badges for the 9S's.

**Treasurers Report**: Joe Goldian reported we have \$6094.15 in checking. With no changes to the treasurer's report, Sean Ryan made the motion that it be approved as presented. Frank Hall seconded. Motion carried. **(OPEN)** 

**Membership Report**. Michael Steskal reported that 2 more alumni paid their annual dues leaving 22 outstanding. A 3<sup>rd</sup> eAll notice with a drop date of 15 Jan 2017 has been sent. Also discussed was the number of kicked back/returned membership emails and PoMo's because of incorrect/changed addresses. An eAll will be sent, in an attempt to locate these individuals, through the existing alumni. A copy of the alumni data base was sent to Mike Young as requested. With the completion of the report, Sean Ryan made the motion that it be approved as presented. Frank Hall seconded. Motion carried. **(OPEN)** 

**Post Monitor:** Ed Lindsay discussed for John Horsch several items including the review process, inclusion of more articles by the alumni, making deadlines on articles, and-streamlining obituaries. (**OPEN**)

**Website Committee Report**. Frank Calenda reported that AFTAC Alumni Association (AFTACAA) Website went live. It was noted that the site has been successfully viewed from within the building. He introduced Don Holland as assisting in the web site as well as Pete Gilbert. He reminded everyone that they are still looking for constructive inputs for updates/improvements. **(OPEN)** 

**SAGE Shop:** MSgt Travis Goll has taken over the SAGE shop and its open for business with available items shown in the AFTACAA web site. (**OPEN**)

**Historian:** Not present.

**Heritage Committee:** Bob Wiley noted that they hope to start the nomination process earlier this year than previously. It was noted that selections have been made for the Wall of Honor and once the recipients are formally notified by the commander, the names of those individuals will be released.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**AFTAC Cares Program:** Sean Ryan said the next meeting is Feb 9<sup>th</sup> at a location TBD. **(OPEN)** 

**2017 Snow Ball**: Sean Ryan reported that only a few minor details remain and that the rehearsal is scheduled. He reminded all that ticket sales will end on Jan 12<sup>th</sup> so everyone one needs to get their paid reservations in. **(OPEN)** 

**AOY Coin:** Ed Lindsay reported for Lou Seiler that the AOY coin is being manufactured and will be available for presentation at 2017 Snow Ball. **(OPEN** 

**AFTAC Christmas Open House**: All those alumni that attended had an enjoyable day with tours and briefings, and look forward to this coming year's Christmas open house.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

## Items from the floor:

Sean Ryan discussed upcoming events, such as the Daytona race on February 26<sup>th</sup> that the booster club will be looking forward to supporting with volunteers.

Led Lindsay said, as a reminder, that the AFTAC Alumni Association, West Coast Chapter, is hosting the AFTAC Worldwide Reunion this June 15<sup>th</sup> through-17<sup>th</sup> in Sacramento CA. If you are attending, reservations should be made now.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**Next Meeting**: The next AFTAC Alumni Association meeting will be held on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> in the AFTAC Lobby Conference Room.

Arlin Massey
Secretary, AFTAC Alumni Association

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Agenda, AFTAC Alumni Association, February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting