



ADVOCATE EDUCATE SUPPORT

March 10, 2021



PRESIDENT: Jeff Addison

- Opening remarks
 - Things should be opening up soon
 - Cassie's talk worked out great
 - AF Ball has not been cancelled
 - Air Show is still on
 - Sorry we could not make this meeting a joint meeting
 - Next month's meeting is April 14th with guest speaker Ryan Pleasants, Chief Voluntary Services, Dayton VA

VICE PRESIDENT: Dave Babcock

- The four AFA AFIT Awards were presented on Feb 25th
 - Dr. James Petrosky, General Bernard A Schriever Award
 - Major James Bevins, Colonel Charles A. Stone Award
 - Major Paul Weskalnies, Professor Ezra Kotcher Award
 - Dr. Julie Ann Jackson, Gage H. Crocker Outstanding Professor Award

TREASURER'S REPORT: Carl "Shof" Shofner

- Checking Feb Start: \$31452.88
 - Outflows:
 - \$317.58 - Web support
 - \$500.00 - Air Force Assistance Fund
 - \$250.00 - VA Support
 - Checking Feb End: \$30385.30
 - Expected Outflows for March
 - \$226.84 - Web support
 - Money Market Feb End: \$125845.28 after \$2.89 interest earned

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Vita Eonta

- 88th ABW continues to post updates at: <https://www.wpafb.af.mil/coronavirus/>
- Contact the Top 3 to inform them that we want to support their scholarships and award ceremonies
 - Top 3 Scholarship – currently donates \$250 twice per year to awardees (total of \$500).
 - They would like to increase the amount they are donating to our Airmen

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- **Dayton Airshow / Mike Evans**
 - Executive Assistant to the Air Show Director advises that the Show is still on.
 - There will need to be some modifications.

- The Air Show committee is meeting 1 April and they will provide more info soon after.
- Considerations include: social distancing, herd immunity, buffet vs. box lunches, mask mandate, sanitizing public use areas, etc.
- **AF Ball / Slim Morgan**
 - 2021 AF Anniversary Ball not cancelled; Still would hold in Sept timeframe
 - AFA would host odd years; 88th ABW would host even years

EDUCATE

- **Aerospace Education**
 - Vita will complete the administration portion of ToY program for 2021
 - Chapter ToY is Britton Siebenthaler
 - Will submit Britton for State ToY
- **STEM Outreach / Cyber Patriot - Debbie Madison - no update**

SUPPORT

- **Cadet Programs - Richard Hughes**
 - Support The Red White and Run fundraiser by Det 643 for the Fischer House at \$500
 - Bellbrook AFJROTC is planning their awards ceremony
 - Would like to present the AFA award and request a presenter
 - Wednesday May 5 around 1830 or 1900 in their auditorium
 - AFROTC Det 643
 - Arnold Air Society -Cadet Rossi
 - Silver Wings
- **Veteran Programs - George Simons / Vita Eonta**
 - VAVS quarterly virtual meeting Thursday Mar 11
 - Ryan Pleasants, Chief of Voluntary Services, will be our guest speaker at the April meeting
 - Dedication of the Lincoln Statue is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, 2021
- **AFA State of Ohio President - Kent Shin**
 - Ralston Chapter 210 will not close
 - The AFROTC Det 665 will have an awards ceremony; Cadets will receive a certificate and scholarship
 - No need for Chapter 212 to loan Chapter 210 \$250 for ROTC support
 - Ron Georges will be a mentor to the Ralston chapter to help it get reestablished
 - Jill Cunningham will reach out to local industry for support as a community partner
 - Kent and Colin meeting with Chapter 371 in Youngstown to introduce Ohio Rep Casey Weinstein to start a government relations program in the chapter.
 - A virtual meeting with Ohio Rep Casey Weinstein and the chapter to introduce them to military budget efforts that the State is putting in place to help military personnel.
 - Columbus Chapter still having communication problems
- **AFA GLR President - Tom Koogler**
 - Chapter's migration to Microsoft 365 started on 7 March.

- Chapter received additional afa.org e-mail accounts.
- Chapter & State Teacher of the Year submittals are due by 30 April 2021.
 - Send submittals to education@afa.org.
- National TOY submittals due by 30 June 2021.
- State President approved Individual and Unit Awards due to Great Lakes Region President by 26 April 2021.
- **Communications - Pat Koogler**
 - Continue to post Chapter relative information on Chapter's Facebook page.
 - Need Chapter related information to post on Chapter's Facebook page
- **Leadership Development/Awards Ron Goerges**
 - The Chapter awards packages are being prepared
- **Government Relations - Colin Ballein**
 - Legislative update is posted to our website at <https://wrightmemorial.afa.org/> under programs
- **Star Sponsors /Community Partners – Jill Willingham – no update**
- **Events - Christina Combs/Adrianna Templeton – no update**
- **Public Relations - Libby Van Hook – no update**
- **Membership - Ronda Roberts /Betty Shellhorn – no update**

- **Community Announcements**
 - Golf outing raising funds for Beaver Creek AFJROTC <https://www.askrafi.com/events/4th-annual-rafis-amigos-golf-outing>
 - A Celebration of Life for Bob Van Hook will be held on Sat March 27
 - 1929 Sugar Run Trail, Bellbrook, OH
 - Open House from 3-6 PM. Dress is casual, food and drink - socially distanced under tent in the yard.
 - Everyone is welcome!
 - RED, WHITE, RUN 5K - to sign up or donate, visit:
 - <https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Dayton/RedWhiteRun5KforVeterans>
 - Need a chair person to identify scholarship/grant opportunities for Airmen and Civilians
 - Need a VP for Aerospace Education
 - Want to be a Brown Bag Speaker
 - The propulsion directorate at Tinker AFB and WPAFB hosts the meeting.
 - Derrick Slatton is responsible for finding a contact every other month,
 - The presenter can be active duty, retired military, and most certainly civilian.
 - If interested contact derrick.slatton.1@us.af.mil

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