

# AFSA Chapter 751 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES 1 April 2025 @ 1130 (USO)

CHAPTER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS 2024		
President MSgt Veronica Black	Vice President TSgt Jacob Smith	Trustee 1 / Legislation A1C Anthony Roy
Trustee 2 / Community Relations MSgt (Ret) Will Bowers	Trustee 3 / Membership TSgt Garret Gray	Trustee 4 / Awards VACANT
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Communications Team CMSgt (Ret) Ruben Garcia	<b>Treasurer</b> SrA Jacob Williams	Secretary MSgt (Ret) Jason Jukes
<b>Veterans Affairs</b> Judy Garcia	Sgt-of-Arms VACANT	Fisher House Prgm Manager VACANT
Professional Development VACANT	Fundraising Team VACANT	Airman Activity Coordinators SrA Rashida Reed

## 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> 11:38854

- Pledge
- AFSA Preamble
  - With reverence for God and Country, and being ever mindful of our responsibility to aid in maintaining a superior defense for our beloved country; our interest in the welfare of persons who served and are serving in the Armed Forces; our devotion to our fellow enlisted members and their families in fortune and distress; and our reverence for the memory of our departed, we unite to further the aims and objectives of this association.
- 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM 22 attendees
- 3. <u>INDUCTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS</u>
- 4. HAIL / FAREWELL: -7 new attendees
- **5.** TREASURERS REPORT: (A1C Jacob Williams) \$16,611.08 in checking account, \$43.85 in share account, \$351.30 in Thanksgiving account

#### 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Membership:** (TSgt Garrett Gray) March: 11 recruits, 0 retains, 6 gains, 0 losses, YTD: 28 recruits, 1 retain, 8 gains, 5 losses, on 10 April there will be an FTEC brief
- Communications: (CMSgt (R) Ruben Garcia) posted Capitol Hill trip by BOD, Mission BBQ deal for Vietnam-era Vets, ALS graduation photos, and Summit updates on Facebook
- Community Relations: (MSgt (R) Will Bowers) Honor flight on 26 April, Boots to Business class 30 April-1 May, 21 May reboot at Wright State, 21 May Vets Moving Forward, 26 April Vet Hall of Fame in Greene County

- Airmen Activities (SrA Reed): Highway cleanup 16 May
- Awards and Recognition: (TSgt Gray) 1st quarter packages being boarded
- Legislative: (A1C Anthony Roy) Discussed AFSA M&G brief sent out email wide from HQ and how to be sure you are getting those e-mail messages. MSgt Chapin requested TMO stories to push to HQ.
- **CDCE** (Judy Garcia) 7 June VA Picnic

#### 7. OPEN ITEMS/EVENTS:

- Fairborn Veterans Military Coalition 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month
  - o AFSA is the only member with WPAFB Prescence
  - o Regular meetings with 16 Members
  - o Kauffman Rd Clean up (Adopt A Highway) 16 May
  - o 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fairborn Events in 2025
- 22 May 2025, 1730-1930 Packys, Fairborn Chamber Chat hosted by AFSA and Chiefs Group
- Will Host Division Conference 2 May, Virtual
- VA BBQ 7 June
- Golf Tournament TBD
- Our presence is requested for CAP, Girl Scouts, JROTC, and Eagle Scouts.
- VP Trustee 2, 4 are Jun Elections (1 year period)

#### 8. OLD BUSINESS/CLOSED EVENTS

• 29 Mar is the Annual Conference for CAP-Regional Change of Command

#### 9. OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW BUSINESS:

- 2 Aril New transformers being transported to Fairborn, avoid traffic delays, will happen multiple times during month of April
- 3 June Fairborn block party
- June 6-8, UFO festival in Yellow Springs
- Fairborn 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, would AFSA be able to do a float?
- Fairborn: Eagle has been added to Memorial, still selling individual bricks for another year
- IVP spoke on the membership committee, is looking for a new secretary, Legislative budget about to be worked for '26, protection for military members from squatters, veteran family issues with buriels, concurrent receipt
- SA Chapin led the motion and vote for the accreditation letter for the upcoming DivCon, voted for who will be added as chief and alt. delegates and who else to add to list, and for the Chief delegate to vote their conscience for the election.
- Closed the meeting at 12:30

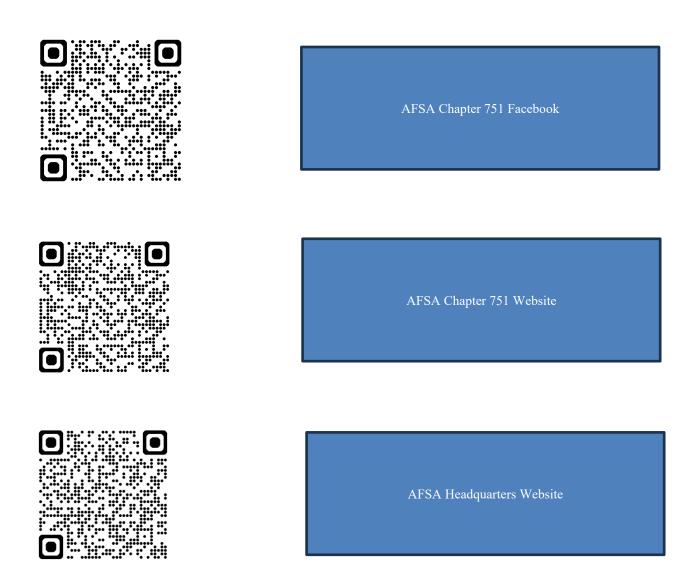
### 10. NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: 6 May at 1130 hrs;

//Signed//
JASON JUKES

Secretary, Chapter 751

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VERONICA BLACK
President, Chapter 751

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## LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

• To improve the access to earned military health care benefits enhance existing coverages and services, and resist future fee increase.

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- To improve the access to and quality of VA healthcare thus ensuring the nation fulfills its obligation to care for those "who shall have borne the battle;" to enhance the disability claims and appeals process; reduce claims and appeals backlog; ensure ancillary programs, services, etc. remain fully funded; to extend concurrent receipt to all retirees with disability ratings; to expand and enhance the access to and quality / scope of health care coverage for women veterans; to ensure the delivery of full and timely benefits for Veterans exposed to toxic substances and toxicants IAW Public Law 117-168, the PACT Act.
- To sustain military pay comparability with the private sector via full military pay raises in accordance with current law; to protect or enhance related benefits such as leave, Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH), bonuses and special pays, commissaries, base exchanges, MWR facilities, and Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA). To promote further study and adjustments of pay and allowance to more equitably respond to fluctuating national economic conditions.
- To support the promotion of future success via the use of hard-earned education benefits such as the Military Tuition Assistance (MiITA) program, MyCAA, Montgomery or "Forever" GI Bill and ensure that these programs remain relevant and fully funded for themselves or any dependents whom their benefits may have been transferred.
- To extend and enhance educational and employment programs for military spouses; to fully fund Impact Aid.
- Duty Status Reform for National Guard to fix the complex reserve duty status system (e.g., 12304b situation) without reducing compensation value; to reduce the Guard & Reserve retirement compensation age from 60 to 55. Further reforms toward benefit equity, including healthcare.