

AFA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

10 Jun 2026

Attendees

Mark Chapman Dann Mattiza Max Friedauer Fred Gross
Les Matheson Frank Daily A1C Malik Gooden

Additional attendees:

Frank Daily brought along several folks from his office who are interested in working with our chapter and becoming more involved in our programs. They were: SSgt Daniel Chavez, SrA Allayna Sylvester, SSgt Michael David Niduaza, SSgt Daniel Monya-Romera, TSgt Cory Barber, SrA Julian Chavez, and TSgt Patrick Devlin.

Given the interest of the visitors, the bulk of our meeting consisted of introducing our guests to our Chapter's involvement with AeroSpace Education and STEM, Support to military members (active as well as JROTC, ROTC, and Vets); Awards programs, Community Partners, and several of our better known events such as the Science Fair, Unsung Heroes luncheons, Pitsenbarger scholarships, and Wreaths Across America.

Treasurer Report

- Chapter funds are still in good shape. Treasurer Mattiza transferred \$1000 from the Money Market to Checking account to ensure funds availability for our donation to the Chief's Group for Deployment Support (matching funds from AFA Grant) and other upcoming events.
- Raymond James account is still good, but the growth rate has declined.
- Upcoming events requiring funding include:
 - o State meeting –
 - o National meeting –
 - o Awards ceremony – (TOY, COPY, dinner, etc.)

Communications Update

- Next newsletter will be published in early July. Waiting to add JROTC Summer Camp graduation photos/article.
- Need article on State TOY and Waterman Awards for next Newsletter

New Business

- Frank Daily wants to bring out some of his officer co-workers to introduce them to the Chapter next month. We are planning a separate date for the meeting to avoid “hijacking” our EXCOM meeting on the 8th. One of the officers planning to take part is Capt Rey Lira-Gonzales.

- Idea was broached about using service members to make radio spots on what their community means to them or similar topics to help with outreach to the community. Several of the guests expressed a desire to participate in that and to help with other Chapter events.

- A representative from the USO also stopped by the meeting, Isantiago@USO.org, to encourage all military and retired folks to stop by the USO facilities, esp. at the Okaloosa Walton Airport and to SIGN IN when visiting. The USO receives funding based upon the number of folks they serve, so when we register, they get funding.

Next Meeting

- July 8th @ 1130 at the Clubhouse Grill