**St Louis-Gateway Chapter Minutes of the Quarterly Board Meeting – 17 May 2017**
The St. Louis Chapter, USAFA AOG, quarterly board meeting was held on 17 May 2017 at 1130 at Lester’s in Clayton.
**Members Present**:  Kirk McDonald, John Bugner, Keith Heien, Elizabeth Granier, Reed Shafer, Bob Baker
**Members Absent:**  Dawn Hildebrand, Brian Lindsay, Lee Armstrong
**Financial Report:** The treasurer was not available to provide a report.  The financial activity since the last meeting was related to Founders Day activities.  John Bugner charged $1231.27 to his personal credit card to cover the balance due for the Founders Day dinner, and $100 for the Andria's Steak house gift card that was presented to the guest speaker. The dinner chairman presented a financial report for the event which showed that income exceeded expenses  by $248.73.
**Unfinished Business:**
•        **Tax Exempt Status (Articles of Incorporation):**  Nothing new to report.
•        **Service Project:** Kirk reported that he is contacting the Missouri Veteran's Home to coordinate a visit/tour of their facility.
•        **Distinguished Chapter:**  Items for the distinguished chapter accrual spreadsheet were reviewed and inputs were received from the board.  The secretary will gather the details, fill our the spreadsheet and send it out to the board for review and final inputs.  Elizabeth will work on updating the membership roster.  Our proposed activities/events will be aligned with the AOG fiscal year.  The task should be finalized by 16 June.
•        **Watch Parties:**Elizabeth will be the coordinator for the Navy game scheduled for 7 Oct.  Lee will be the coordinator for Army game scheduled for 4 Nov.  The plan is for our chapter to host the Navy-Air Force game and Army will host the Army-Air Force game.
•        **Joint Fundraiser with Parents Club:**  The Skeet Shoot, a Parent's Club/Joint service event will be held Friday afternoon June 16, 2107 at Strathalbyn Farms.  $400 per four person teams included full dinner buffet, beverages and prizes  non-shooters may attend the the dinner only.  As of 9 May, there are nine teams plus several groups of two and $7500 in sponsorships.  The site for the club is <http://strathalbynfarm.com/>.
•      **Member Outreach:**  Updates to face book and the web site will be made to remind our area grads of the Memorial Day service and Skeet Shoot.  We will also post a request for board volunteers.
•         **Founders Day:**The Founders Day dinner was held at Stonewolf Golf Club on 29 April.  Our guest speaker, Tim Cantwell, class of  '76,  gave a presentation on the past, future and ongoing activities at Mid America Airport.  He also discussed the value of leadership he learned as a cadet and the importance the emphasis the academy continues to place its value in developing cadets in future life.  The attendance for this year increased from 40 to 44.+
        **Social Hour Event:**  Lee Armstrong invited grads working at the NGA (National Geospatial Agency) to gather at the 4 Hands Brewery on 23 March for a networking event.  Nine grads attended.
•         **Memorial Day Service:**  The Memorial Service at Jefferson Barracks is scheduled for 27 May.  Reed is working with the organizer and gathering information for our presentation and preparing a handout/agenda for the ceremony.  A notice will be posted on Face book and on our web site.
**•**         **All Service Academy Golf:**Army is scheduled to host this year.  The Army contact implied that the Joint Fundraiser at the Strathalbyn Farms Gun and Riding Club would replace the golf event.  Reed will contact the Army POC, Sam Gladney, and push for the golf.
**•**         **Doolie Brunch:  T**he USAFA Parents Club of Metro St. Louis is hosting the annual “Doolie Brunch” scheduled for Sunday 18 June.  All grads are invited to attend and use this opportunity to meet cadets and share your stories with appointees from the USAFA Class of 2021!
**•**         **Election on Board Members**:  We are still looking for one more chapter member to serve three year terms. Keith received an email from Zach Roberts, Class of '07 indicating interest in getting involved in out chapter. Kieth will reach out to him to see if he is interested in filling the opening on the board.  Dawn Hindebrand will be moving within the year and we will need to find a replacement for her.
**Our Current Board and Officer roster**:
**Board of Directors**
Bob Baker, Elizabeth Granier, 2015 thru 2017
Dawn Hildebrand, Brian Lindsey, 2016 thru 2018
Lee Armstrong, Open Position, 2017 thru 2019
**Officers**
President                    Keith Heien
Vice President            Kirk McDonald
Secretary                     John Bugner
Treasurer                     Brian Lindsey

**New Business:**
**•**         **AOG Chapter President’s Conference:**The dates are set for 30 Aug – 1 Sep 2017.  This year the conference will be held just prior to Parent's Weekend which is also Labor Day weekend.  It will include some joint briefings with the parent club presidents and hopefully a Wednesday night reception at the Carleton House.  More details as we get closer, but you also have the option to stay for the football game as the Falcons host VMI on Saturday, 2 September.  Kirk McDonald will represent our chapter at the conference.
**Next Meeting:**Next meeting is scheduled for 15 August, 1130 at Lester's in Clayton.
**Adjournment:**  With no other business the meeting was adjourned.

John Bugner, ‘71
Chapter Secretary
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