



Air Force Sergeants Association
Chindit Chapter 567
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General Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2011



The regularly scheduled quarterly meeting of the Chapter 567 general membership convened at 1430 hours 28 Oct 2011 in the 6 SOS' auditorium.

Present (22): SMSgt Ely, MSgt James, MSgt J. Jackson, MSgt E. Puttbrese, MSgt DeCorte, MSgt Gicker, MSgt J. Collins, MSgt Stinebiser, TSgt Ramdatt, TSgt D. Hunter, TSgt Shonkwiler, TSgt T. Brown, TSgt Relyea, TSgt Amidon, TSgt G. Morris, SSgt K. White, SSgt Havron, SSgt J. Jenkins, SSgt Farthing, SrA Brosnaham, SrA J. Davis, and A1C Pineda

1. The meeting was called to order by MSgt Jayly Jackson @ 1430.
2. Members and visitors recited the Pledge of Allegiance, stood at attention while the AFSA Preamble was read by MSgt Jayly Jackson.
3. MSgt Edward Puttbrese gave the President's report:
 - a. We were informed of some of Division 5's statistical data such as that while our chapter is doing well in regards to recruiting members (chapter 567 currently has 721 members), the division is not.
 - b. International active member numbers are being reported at 106,948 and waning.
 - c. To help boost the overall AFSA members worldwide, Headquarters AFSA is offering a 5-year membership deal at \$100 (it can be looked at paying just about \$1.66 a month for five years).
4. MSgt Edward Puttbrese gave the treasurer's report:
 - a. We currently have \$723.99 in our account.
5. TSgt Demika Hunter mentioned that Division 5 will be hosting the next international conference in Jacksonville and that our chapter needs to be on board with making it a success.
6. There were not any old business issues to discuss.
7. In new business:
 - a. TSgt Demika Hunter asked the members present for ideas on how to recruit more members. **(OPEN)**
 - i. One suggestion was that there needs to be more correspondence sent out via e-mail.

- ii. Another was that we get briefers out to commander's calls as much as possible.
 - b.** MSgt Edward Puttbrese and TSgt Demika Hunter announced plans to hold a recruiting competition for the month of November. **(OPEN)**
 - i. The competition purpose is to challenge the chapter to recruit more members to hopefully boost international membership numbers so that our collective voice will continue to be heard on Capitol Hill.
 - ii. The member that has recruited the most people during 1 Nov 11 – 30 Nov 11 will be the winner. There will be 2nd, 3rd and possibly a 4th prize.
 - iii. Council members are not eligible for prizes.
 - iv. TSgt Demika Hunter asked those in attendance what prizes would the suggest giving out. Suggestions were: Free memberships, XBOX 360 w/Kinect, a Staycation and/or gift cards.
 - c.** The council planned to confer after the meeting to decide on forward action and will put out a flyer in the coming days regarding this effort. **(OPEN)**
- 8.** Closing Remarks. MSgt Jayly Jackson spoke of the importance of not only attending meetings and events but to also be aware of why members were members of AFSA in the first place. If members are not educated on the issues at hand, how can we all expect that others will want to join? He mentioned that AFSA affects everyone, whether they are a member or not. He also reminded the members that they are all AFSA recruiters that and we need to get on the ball before it is too late to do anything about our military benefits. MSgt Edward Puttbrese announced that the next general meeting will be held on or around 2 Dec 11 with time and date to follow. At this meeting, general elections will be held for all executive council positions and that the information about the elections will be sent out prior to the meeting. If there is a change to this, an announcement will be put out accordingly. There being no other business or comments, meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. **(CLOSED)**

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Jayly M. Jackson, Acting Secretary

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Edward Puttbrese Jr., President