

MEETING MINUTES

AIR & SPACE FORCES ASSOCIATION, DAVID C. JONES – CHAPTER 135 MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 15 July 2025

Time: 1214

Location: Rockers, MAFB, ND (Also via Zoom)

Meeting called to order by: James Bowman

IN ATTENDANCE

President: James Bowman, Vice President: George Masters, Treasurer: Jim Simons, Secretary & Web Master: Amy Richards, Public Affairs: Ted and Rod Wilson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June meeting was held on 17 June 2025, at Sammy's Pizza, Minot, ND.

FINANCIAL PLAN REPORT

Jim Simons will bring the Financial Plan to the next meeting. Checks written this month include:

- Ck #1749 to BAG for \$530 was for approved marketing of AFA and CAP on Base.
- Ck #1750 for \$25 to Amy's Office for June 2025 Secretary duties.

REPORTS

1) Committee Report

- Community Partners get plaques from National. Buttons for renewal have been received.
- Any organization giving more than \$200 automatically make Community Partner.
- Jim Simons is listed on National as CPVP, must be removed.

2) The Activity Plan

See the printouts for discussion.

- 3) The Annual Plan
 - Volunteers
 - Newsletter
 - Customer Support

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Jim Simons reports a bank balance of \$7,625.05 as of 17 June 2025. Jim Simons will take photos of Community Partner checks before making deposits. A check was written payable to reimburse George Masters for ... George will send renewals as he receives them.
- 2) Establishing a **meeting location** to meet monthly to be discussed. Options are on MAFB or in Minot. George made a motion to meet monthly at Rockers on MAFB. Jim Simons seconds the motion to meet on the third Tuesday of each month at Rockers, Minot Air Force Base. Amy will send out email reminders the day prior to the meeting.
- 3) Paid ad is being run in the Northern Sentry newspaper.
- 4) As a part of **community outreach**, Jim Simons brought AFA monthly magazines to hand out to service members at the March meeting.
- 5) **AFA Pitsenbarger Awards** provide a one-time grant of \$750 and a one-year complimentary AFA e-Membership to selected top USAF and USSF enlisted personnel graduating from the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) who plan to pursue a baccalaureate degree (only). The grants coincide with the CCAF graduation ceremonies held each Spring and Fall. **CCAF graduation** is on Thursday, 17 July at 1300, at the Jimmy Doolittle Center, Minot Air Force Base. Deadline is Monday, July 7th to allow enough time to get the check and everything ready to present to the winner.
- 6) Pop and popcorn at the **Minot North** game will be provided from AFA in the amount of \$250. Previously, AFA has invested in MSU Hockey, Basketball and Football games.
- 7) For the Good of the Order, Rod is bringing the opportunity that AFA could support **Feed the Troops** on the first Wednesday of every month. Beginning in October, AFA can sponsor this event. George made a motion that AFA can provide the funds for this meal in October (1 October being the first Wednesday this year). Jim Simons seconded the motion. **Discussion:** George will talk to Jared from Bones regarding this event. All in favor. Motion was passed.
- 8) Rod Wilson and Jim Simons are planning to attend the **National AFA Convention** 20 & 21 September, representing ND and AFA. Chapter will reimburse Rod for airfare and hotel, not to exceed \$2,000.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) ...

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be on 19 August 2025, at 1200, at Rockers on Minot Air Force Base, with Zoom beginning at 1215. Amy will email everyone with a reminder and the Zoom link the day prior to the next meeting. Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Bowman at 1254 and was passed unanimously.