SABLICH CENTER AUDITORIUM

Attendance:

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| MSgt Jeffrey Moody | SMSgt Daniel Kazumura |
| SMSgt Kevin Holmes | SrA Zachary Bartlett |
| MSgt Michelle Moss | TSgt Marco Raygoza |
| SSgt Brian Corbin | TSgt Christina Re |
| Chuck Testin | Bev Testin |
| TSgt Travis Smith | SSgt Kent Parsons |
| A1C Christopher Stevens | SSgt James Martin |
| A1C Pablo Frias | TSgt Vincent Brasher |
| A1C Crystal Starner | A1C Joshua Stamps |
| Amn Katelyn Garcia | TSgt Gregory Green |
| TSgt Charmaine Flint | SSgt Tawny Crutcher |
| SSgt Tera Burk | A1C Ariana Blanco |
| A1C Bianca Wade | MSgt Robert Morse |
| MSgt Nicole Dismute | SSgt Miranda Shaffer |
| A1C Katherin Donovan |  |

1. Meeting called to order at 1155. MSgt Jeffrey Moody

2. Opening Comments by MSgt Jeffrey Moody

* Awards--Congratulations to the Chapter 652 Annual Award winners:
	+ Airman of the Year: SrA Zachary Bartlett
	+ NCO of the Year: SSgt Cassandra Cruz
	+ Member of the Year: SMSgt Daniel Kazumura

These winners will go on to compete at Division level and will be recognized at the Division Convention next week.

* ROTC Awards:

St. Martin HS, Ocean Springs, MS on 1 May at 1800, MSgt Davis will be attending

Bonnebel HS, Kenner LA on 9 Apr at 1800, MSgt Moody attended

* Heritage Display--We have multiple awards that are just sitting in a box. We would like to have an AFSA heritage display at the Professional Development Center. This is currently in the works.
* Leading Events--Help us get more people involved in AFSA! Our support for our events has decreased this year. Please get involved with our fundraisers and volunteer events. Get your sections involved, recruit people that are not AFSA members to join in and volunteer.
* Sergeant at Arms--Our current Sergeant at Arms had to resign due to mission requirements. TSgt Christina re has been appointed the new Sergeant at Arms. Congratulations TSgt Re!
* AFSA International Convention will be held 16-20 August this year in Jacksonville, FL. The cost is $250, plus your hotel costs. Registration is currently available on the AFSA website. Our chapter has 15 high flyers and 2 are not attending. This benefit is transferable, so if cost is an issue, please let us know.
* Division Elections will be held at the convention. Many of the current regime are running for consecutive terms. The Communications Trustee position has 2 new people that are running. Biographies will be disseminated soon…
* Air Force Enlisted Village (AFEV)--Our current budget allocated $150 to be donated to the AFEV. This is usually given at the International Convention. A parade of checks will also be included at the Division Convention this year. Propose increasing our budgeted amount to $200 so that we can donate $100 at each convention. Proposal was seconded and approved by membership.

3. Treasurer’s Report was given by TSgt SSgt Brian Corbin

* Checking – $7,068.37 ($6,507.30 convention funds) Savings – $1,508.62 Total - $8,577.02

4. Fundraising was briefed by MSgt Jeffrey Moody

* Past Events--Buffalo Wild Wings made $165, Gift Wrapping made $90, Coins & T-shirts made $240, 1st Bowling made $1,034, Bingo at Barksdale made $2,000, 2nd Bowling made $527, Dickey’s BBQ Spirit Night made $120
* Upcoming Events

Conference Golf Tournament, 24 Apr, 4 person scramble, $50 per person

5. Membership was briefed by SrA Zachary Bartlett

* We recruited 60 new members this month at the MDG membership drive, NPS Movie Night, Information Booths and NCOA Graduation
* Upcoming recruiting events: ALS lunch, 22 Apr & NPS Information Booth, every Friday, 0800-1000
* Retain yourself, don’t renew your membership. If you retain yourself our Chapter will get credit and you will also get credit for a retention. If you renew your membership we do not get credit.

6. Communications was briefed by MSgt Jeffrey Moody

* + Website- http://afsa652themagnoliachapter.weebly.com
	+ Facebook-AFSA Chapter 652 Keesler AFB
	+ Twitter-@AFSAchapter652
	+ Communication Committee-SSgt Cruz will manage the website and distribution list, but is still looking for committee members to maintain our Facebook page and our twitter account. Please contact her if you are interested.

8. Current legislation was briefed by MSgt Jeffrey Moody

* Action Alert: Protect the Commissary Benefit & 9/1 GI Bill Tuition

S.2075 (will cut $1B over three years in subsidy/would result in a 66% reduction in savings

S.257: In State Tuition Rates for Post 9/11 GI Bill

“Doc Fix” Passed: Stopped a 24% cut to Medicare and TRICARE physicians reimbursement payments.

* Proposed FY 15 Budget
	+ Caps military pay raises at 1% for another year.
	+ Reduces monthly payments of BAH
	+ Raises fee to TRICARE users or may recommend the elimination of TRICARE Prime

There are currently 198 bills being tracked by AFSA

9. Airmen Activity Council was briefed by A1C Bianca Wade

* The Airmen’s Council is under new leadership! The Dorm Council elections will be held in May. Please encourage your subordinates to participate.
* Annual Grill & Chill--date/time TBD. AFSA will partner with the council and provide food.

10. Family and Community Affairs was briefed by TSgt Marco Raygoza

* Volunteers are requested for the following events:

30 Apr/Wed – AFRH Wine & Cheese Piano Concert (1330-1530)

5 May/Mon – AFRH Cinco De Mayo Social (1330-1530)

14 May/Wed – Fisher House Dinner

16 May/Fri – AFRH Wal-Mart trip to Pass Christian (0800-1130)

20 May/Tues – AFRH Monthly Birthday Dinner Set-Up (1330-1430/1500)

23 May/Fri – AFRH Memorial Day Cookout (1130-1330)

31 May/Sat – AFRH Afternoon Bingo on Valor with Loyalty (1330-1530)

11. AFSA Division Conference was briefed by SMSgt Daniel Kazumura

* 24-26 April, Holiday Inn Airport, Gulfport, guest speaker is CMSAF #11 Campanale
* Project Officers are SMSgt Daniel Kazumura (376-8145) and MSgt Jeffrey Moody (376-8241)
* Register with MSgt Michelle Moss (377-2750) or TSgt Lavanna Corbin (377-5566) by 4 April
* Sign up for the golf tournament. This is usually a huge fundraiser for our Division, but we only have a few teams currently registered. Signup today to have a great time and help raise money. The $50 fee pays for your green fees, cart and lunch.

12. New Business

* VA Stand-down--TSgt Re is the POC for this annual event. The event takes place in October, but last year we ran out of supplies. We are looking for squadron POCs to start collecting hygiene products, clothing, blankets, tents and nonperishable foods because this year we expect even more participation.

13. Closing comments were provided by MSgt Jeffrey Moody.

* Grab a coworker on your way to the next AFSA membership meeting. It will be held on 15 May at 1150 in the Sablich Center Auditorium.
* CMSgt Teston moved to close meeting at 1255.

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