

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
AFCEA Tampa-St. Pete Chapter
June 29, 2006

Attendees:

Nadya Drury, 1st Vice President
Jay Rose, Interim 2nd Vice President
Dale Hempel, Membership Committee
Billy Hogan, Awards Committee
Brandt Cosgrove, Programs Committee
Col. Mike Deacy, Past President
SSgt. Tony Pasquera, Young AFCEAN Committee
Lt. Jennifer Huntsman, Young AFCEAN Committee
Col John Wilcox, guest

Nadya Drury called the meeting to order. A tape recorder was used in place of a notetaker, and the tape will become part of the secretary's record.

There was no Secretary's Report or Treasurer's Report presented for May.

Due to the new faces, introductions were made around the table. Each member provided a brief insight of their current role or what they anticipate will be a new role within the Executive Committee.

Reports:

Program Committee – The July luncheon is shaping up well. Col. Diamond is slated to be the next guest speaker.

Scholarship Committee – In the absence of the Scholarship report, N. Drury opened discussion of inviting Hillsborough Education Foundation representative as well as possibility of USF/U of Tampa ROTC involvement as possible program considerations in the Sept/Oct timeframe – not speaker-oriented but scholarship oriented. B. Cosgrove indicated the need for outreach to the military community to increase awareness of the AFCEA scholarship availability. has opportunity for scholarship opportunity and not just limit it to high school but also adults going for graduate programs as well. Judging criteria redefined to assign a numeric value that takes into account military dependents and active military applying for our local scholarships

T. Pasquera asked questions of interest and D. Hempel and Col. Deacy provided informative responses.

Publicity Committee – N. Drury reported that she and P. Guarnieri met with R. Maupin to go over May's photos for submission to Signal. The scholarship recipients who attended the May luncheon, Bridgitte Dallman receiving the AFC EAN of the Month Award, and Carl Bass presenting a check were submitted. N. Drury also informed the attendees that Rita Boland, who is the News Editor with Signal has moved to the Tampa area, and is actually the first correspondent assigned to a Chapter outside of the DC metro area.

Small Business Committee – No report presented.

Young AFCEAN Committee – J. Huntsman reported on the AFCEA TechNet she attended with Lt. Johns and Lt. Le. Lt Johns received the Meritorious Service Award.

The Chapter received two Chapter awards at the Leadership luncheon: Model Chapter of the Year and Individual Member Recruiting. Discussion followed about how to increase awards by members and chapter at International level. J. Rose provided some background of the Young AFCEAN of the Year Award given at the West Coast.

Awards Committee – B. Hogan reported we had submitted one person for at AFCEA International level and very close to achieving Model Chapter goals. D. Hempel talked about achieving the new membership, recruiting, and retention.

Membership Committee – D. Hempel reported that soon we will be having “Bring a Friend” to the membership lunch. J. Rose asked about the identification of members who sign up for 3 years and not just annually. That information is captured in her reports.

Corporate Committee – No report.

Old Business:

Website – C. Bass and M. McKim looking into new source. No update provided.

Tampa TechNet – L. Ramos is engaged in setting up a meeting with Gen. Lawrence to present a brief on Tampa TechNet scheduled for March 13-14, 2007. No date with meeting Gen Lawrence has been scheduled at this time. It is one of 33 events listed on the AFCEA calendar. Col Deacy provided a background of involvement leading to Tampa TechNet to Young AFCEAns.

New Business:

Chapter Awards for Tampa Chapter displayed, and given to B. Cosgrove for Program.

Future Executive Committee Meeting Dates: 8/24, 9/28 – MacDill Room; 10/26 – Daedelion Room; 11/30 – MacDill Room

Other Discussion:

Col Deacy brought up retention and recruitment of members and getting them involved especially with Young AFCEAns advantages and benefits of being involved with AFCEA and scholarship opportunities coming to the lunches. Want to keep up continuity and momentum of Young AFCEAns.

Discussed recruiting civilian government in Tampa. An untapped organization is PEO-IIS with no representation.

Meeting adjourned.