

FORWARD AIR CONTROLLER'S ASSOCIATION (FACA)  
General Membership Meeting  
21 September 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President, Brad Wright. Brad congratulated Joe Sowa and his committee for putting on an outstanding reunion.

The first order of business was to discuss the state of the FACA. The membership discussed the strategic plan as presented by Darrel Whitcomb. It was stated that the FACA can continue in its current status for the foreseeable future. The Association will reevaluate its status on an annual basis as it is still a "last man standing" organization. The FACA currently has approximately 850 members. It was requested that (1) any changes in addresses, etc. be provided to Fred Pumroy, and (2) the membership notify Fred as soon as possible when any of them becomes aware of the passing of a FACA member and/or any former FAC.

2020 Reunion – The Wings over the Rockies organization has invited the FACA to hold its 2020 reunion in Colorado (Denver area). Mike Lyons has agreed to be the POC for the 2020 reunion but he needs assistance from other Colorado/Denver area FACs or any other FACs. It was discussed that the FACA may hire an outside organization to assist with putting on this and future reunions. If the Colorado site falls through, the fall back location will be Kansas City.

Treasurer's Report – Trey Moran presented the Treasurer's report. The Association currently has assets of \$138,289 allocated as follows: \$12,406 – checking; \$24,291 – savings; \$101,592 – investments. The investments (CDs) and savings are with Wells Fargo Bank. Trey then presented the "spend plan" for 2019 (\$4924) which will be increased by \$2000 due to a donation to the Hilliard Wilbanks MOH Foundation for its efforts to create an endowed scholarship fund of \$100K. The proposed spending plan for 2020 is \$7140 and \$7218 for 2021. A motion was made by Jay Barnes to approve the spending plan. Gene Alfaro made a second and the motion passed.

New Business – Tom Kemp gave an update on the FAC Museum (FACM). The FACM is increasing its membership. The Marine OV-10 is being prepped for painting. They have obtained some equipment; focusing on education and outreach. The collection is growing – they have acquired a cobra; are looking at an F-16 acquisition; working on a Huey donation. They have expansion plans which include moving to a new location within the next 5 years.

Gary Beard discussed the River Rats organization's efforts to educate high school students about Vietnam and the role of the FAC

Darrel Whitcomb discussed the FACNET and the intent to use it more for administrative information.

Charity Donations – The Association will continue to donate \$1000/year to both the Fisher House and Home for the Troops.

Future Reunions – A request was made to consider future reunions in the Orlando and/or Las Vegas areas. Mike Lyons was introduced as the POC for the 2020 Colorado reunion.

Election of Officers – Trey Moran made a motion to approve the slate of officers by acclamation. Mike Dreiling made a second and the motion passed. The officers elected are as follows: President – Brad Wright; Vice President – Dale Hill; Treasurer – Felix (Trey) Moran; Secretary – Tom Harnden; Historian – Al Matheson; Directors – Cal Anderson, Phil Litts, Gary McDaniel, and Darrel Whitcomb.

Brad Wright identified the non-voting positions, which include: Chaplin – Dale Hill; Legal Advisor – J.D. Caven; Database Manager – Fred Pumroy; Newsletter Editor – Don Davies (taking over from Gene Rossel who had requested relief); Webmaster – Bob Gorman (has requested volunteers to backup/replace him). Tom Kemp was announced as a non-voting member of the BOD as the liaison with the FACM.

Brad Wright again requested volunteers to assist with the 2020 reunion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.