



Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 11, 2017
Falcon Club USAFA 1100

Attendance: Ron Scott (President), "Trapper" Carpenter (Vice-President) Joe Kahoe (Treasurer), Mike Arnett (Scribe), Dale Birch (Class Senator), John Stefonik (Secretary), Bob Munson (immediate past President), Rich Fazio ('73 Lunch Coordinator)

1. **PLANNED GIVING** Bob gave a summary of his actions and suggestions concerning planned giving by '73. He has and will continue to coordinate with the USAFA Endowment and the Association of Graduates (AOG) about the specifics of facilitating end of life donations by classmates to further the mission of the Academy. Our 50th Reunion was discussed as a target for full implementation of a program. By voice vote, all officers agreed Bob should continue efforts to facilitate classmate end of life giving for the benefit of USAFA.

2. **CAS UPDATE** Dale, as '73 appointed Senator and Class representative to Class Advisory Senate ("CAS"), briefed officers on recent Advisory Senate activities to include, among other items: discussion of proposed merger of a single CEO to support the Endowment and AOG, changes to cadet "Core" curriculum, and proposal that CAS President have a vote on the AOG Board. CAS meeting minutes are available on the AOG website usafo.org.

3. **GUARDIAN ANGEL** Joe's friend and squadron-mate, Glen Johnston had a health event last week that put his life in danger. Through persistence, caring and a truly remarkable set of circumstances, Joe was able to help Glen get appropriate care and establish a path forward. Three cheers and a toast to Joe for "doing the right thing" for a classmate in distress.

4. **LET'S EAT** The success of monthly '73 events continues. Rich briefed some of the metrics which culminated in attendance by about 40 classmates and spouses at a Christmas event at Edelweiss Restaurant. This month's dinner on the 27th will include a presentation by BG (ret) Mal Wakin. Responding to an inquiry from the Class of '70, local members of the Class of '70 have been invited to join us. Contact Rich (ricfaz@earthlink.net) for details and to reserve a place.

5. **ART OBJECTS** Local artist Rick Broome is working on a project attempting to include all Academy Classes which, as you might guess, includes '73. Ron is in contact with Mr. Broome and will keep '73 informed as to progress and any action required. By voice vote, Officers agreed Ron should take all appropriate steps to represent '73 in the project.

6. **Class History Video.** Loosely connected to the art project, was a request for class history videos. Ron will work with Don Rightmyer ('73 Class Historian) to develop a concept for a three to five minute video.

7. **WEBMASTER** Craig MacPherson and Kelly McCullar continue the good work with Class of '73 website. Metrics are available. Coupled with Mike's persistent "eblasts," the word is out there for any classmate to review and comment upon. Discussions continue as to expansion of the website which may include a drop-box feature as a repository for '73 history and Facebook equivalent capabilities--more to come. Dale and Mike will continue to coordinate with Craig and Kelly on cost and other enhancements; Craig and Kelly will maintain power to usafa73.org.

8. **NCLS** Is next month. '73 is the Flagship Sponsor. The '73 the keynote address is Thursday evening after a banquet in Arnold Hall. There will be a '73 dinner Friday evening with several "distinctly illustrious" members planning to attend. It is not too late to sign up.

Respectfully submitted,

John Stefonik