



**HEADQUARTERS
CIVIL AIR PATROL ARKANSAS WING
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Commander's Call

Wing Headquarters
3 December 2005
1230-1430 hours

The meeting was called to order by Lt Col Jim Gilbert, Chief of Staff. Chaplain Nortier delivered the Invocation and Col Gilbert led the Staff in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was turned over to Captain Keith Maddison, Wing Chief of Safety for a Safety Briefing (December CAP Sentinel Briefed). Captain Maddison briefed the group on the new Wing Supplement to CAPR 62-1 which were electronically sent to each unit the prior week. The new requirement in the supplement was also briefed and Col Jensen advised each unit that any unit not sending the monthly safety report to Wing in a timely fashion would be grounded as stated in the supplement.

Lt Col Leonard Montgomery was announced as the new Wing Inspector General. The new Subordinate Unit Inspection Program was also briefed and it was announced that the 42nd and 115th Composite Squadrons had already been inspected under the new program. A schedule for upcoming inspections was handed out including the plan to inspect the 97th, 99th, and 113th in December, dates to be arranged.

Col Jensen advised all units to track CPPT for all their Senior Members and Cadets over 18 years of age. The Commander advised that he wanted to know about any Senior Member that hasn't completed CPPT within 2-3 months of joining and a reason for the long delay. Protection of our Cadet Members is paramount to our organization.

Col Jensen announced that the part-time Wing Administrator funded by National Headquarters had been interviewed and offered a position. The new Administrator should begin work as soon as possible.

Col Jensen announced that funding had been made available for scholarship opportunities for Cadets wishing to attend National Cadet Special Activities. Further information can be obtained from Major Bobby Allison, Director of Cadet Programs.

It was announced that the training budget for FY2006 has been cut by 40% over FY2005 due to Nation-wide cuts. Update figures are forthcoming and it is hoped that includes increases. Maximum use of our training funds is going to require new planning in SAREXs and other training activities. It was noted, however, that even though SAR Training budgets were cut drastically, Cadet Orientation Funds have been greatly increased. All units should contact Major Bobby Allison to set up Orientation Flights for their Cadets.

Col Jensen advised the group that minutes from each Quarterly Finance Committee Meeting will be made available to anyone who wished to review them. Minutes will be posted to the Wing Website within a few weeks.

Other financial matters include Col Jensen's plan to investigate how our financial resources can be enhanced and how we can stem the negative cash flows that have existed over the past few years. It was noted that the Wing's Savings have remained stable since the expenses associated with remodeling Wing HQ in 2002.

The Finance Committee voted to increase the rates for Member Flying of the 182s. This is being done to promote flights in the 172s and cover additional maintenance costs that are inherited with the 182s. The new rates will be \$20/hr for Cessna 172s and \$35/hr for Cessna 182s. Both are dry rates with members expected to purchase their own fuel. These rates will become effective on 1 January 2006.

Col Jensen moved to announcing his new Staff Appointments. 1Lt Tommy Rea will assume the role as Director of Aerospace Education, Lt Col Leonard Montgomery to Wing Inspector General, Lt Col Herb Williams to perform additional duties as Emergency Services Training Officer for Air Operations, and Captain Aaron Adams will serve as the Emergency Services Training Officer for Ground Operations. Major Blake Sasse has accepted the position of Wing Public Affairs Officer and taken the additional responsibility as the Wing Webmaster. Col Jensen turned the floor over to Lt Col Andy Applegate, CAP-USAF Reserve Coordinator.

Lt Col Applegate gave an overview of the CAP-USAF Unit Visit Program. He provided the Squadrons with a yearly breakdown of squadron visits and things they have noted during their visits.

Mr. Bob Betzold, CAP-USAF/SD offered his assistance in preparing the staff members for their specific areas. SWLR Survey Audit to be conducted in March 2005 with the 99th and the 113th being the subordinate units to be looked in addition to the Wing.

Lt Col Gilbert advised the staff that if they had findings during the SAV, their answers to those findings were due to be submitted to him by the end of the week. He reminded members of the Wing Staff that the Monthly Staff Meeting would be held on 19 December 2005 at 1800 hours.

Lt Col Red Smith advised the Wing that he had received several positive comments and commendations for the CD Missions flown by the Wing in support of the DEA in 2005.

Major Tom Rea asked all Squadron Commanders to validate any pending items in MIMS. This is the only way that members can get their emergency services qualifications to show up on their CAPF 101s.

1Lt Tommy Rea handed out a memo to all the squadrons. He advised them that the end of the year AE Reports and Brewer Award Nominations are due. DAE will be

assisted by Lt Col John Pauly. Lt Rea asked the Squadron CCs to support the AE Program in their units to the best of their ability.

Lt Col Larry Webster announced that the Corporate Learning Course will be held at Wing Headquarters on 28-29 January 2005. Major Faye Williams will be the Course Director. In addition, each unit needs to ensure that they have an AFIADL Form 53 for their Test Control Officers submitted and a copy send to Wing Professional Development. Major Williams then asked again for participants and staff for the CLC in January.

Captain Sharon Parrett asked for the monthly Drug Demand Reduction Reports to be submitted ASAP. She also announced that she had placed DDR Resources in each unit's mailbox. The FY2006 DDR Budget is pending NHQ approval at this time.

Captain Joel Buckner advised that the CAPF 173-2 from each unit (Financial Report) is due ASAP. Quicken will be used by every squadron without exception as per NHQ/FM, effective 1 October 2005. Captain Buckner offered his assistance to any unit that needs FM assistance. The FY2005 Audit was completed with no findings or areas of concern noted. It was added that the NV and WA Wings had ongoing legal issues with embezzlement and theft cases.

Major Blake Sasse asked for the names each Squadron's PAOs. Monthly PAO report forms handed out.

Chaplain (Lt Col) Nortier advised that the Wing is in great need of Chaplains or Moral Leadership Officers. Only 4 of 11 units currently have Chaplains or MLOs. Chaplain Nortier offered his assistance to any unit in recruiting a Chaplain or MLO. Col Jensen interjected that CAP Chaplains must meet the same requirements as Military Chaplains and only CAP approved Chaplains or MLOs. Only Qualified Chaplains can conduct confidential meetings and counseling.

Major Jim Bryan asked that each unit recruit a squadron health services officer to serve as advisors to their safety officers and the commander on health issues. Major Jim Bryan needs a list of current health services officers in each unit and contact information for each unit's safety officer.

Col Jensen presented two golf shirts to Mr. Bob Betzold, CAP-USAF/SD for his great advice, firm hand when needed, and wealth of knowledge that he shares with the Arkansas Wing.

Dismissed at 1400 hours.

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