

AFA Chapter 398, Executive Council Meeting Minutes  
February 14, 2024

Attendees:

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| Schuyler Black   | Bobby Dewrell    |
| Meredith Coleman | Dann Mattiza     |
| Max Friedauer    | Mark Chapman     |
| Les Matheson     | Susan Ault-Davis |

Aerospace Education

- The Science Fair winners have been chosen and awards will be presented by Dann Mattiza on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 1800, at Beach Community Church, 200 Racetrack Road, FWB.
- Winners selected in the Junior Division:
  - o 1st Place: Caden Crawley, Okaloosa STEM Academy, Project ID: ENMS-04JR, The Perfect Propeller: The Effect of Drone Propeller Shape on Weight the Drone can Carry
  - o 2nd place: Desmond Schmid, St Mary Catholic School, Fort Walton Beach FL, Project ID: PHYS-10JR, Bottle Rockets

Winners selected in the Senior Division:

- o 1st Place: Owen Parry, 12 grade, Rocky Bayou High School, Niceville FL, Project ID: IMRS-01SR, Proximal Performance PES
- o 2nd Place: Cameron Estrada, Magnet Innovation Center, Watersound FL, Project ID: ENMS-03SR, How do Different Aspects of Drone Propellers Affect their Efficiency
- Teacher of the Year nominations will be due April 15<sup>th</sup> for State and May 1<sup>st</sup> for National submission. All counties eligible for the award have been notified. Mark Chapman will put information on the AFA Chapter 398 website.
- POC is Meredith Coleman

Unsung Heroes

- The awards will be presented to twenty individuals from the 1SOW on March 15, 1100, at the Soundside. Meals will be provided to awardees and their spouses, the guest speaker, and the sponsors.
- Meals will be plated and will cost \$30 per person, price includes gratuity. Planning on having one hundred attendees.

- The HFLD representative, Latsha, plans to ask the Command Chief at Hurlburt Field to be the guest speaker.
- Max will oversee the event programs, certificates, and AFA coins and Dann will sign the certificates.

#### New Member Omni Broadcasting/Emerald Coast Connected

- Welcome to the new Community Partners Omni Broadcasting and their local affiliate, Emerald Coast Connected, locally owned, and operated.
- They have offered to provide radio advertising of AFA Chapter 398 events, 3 - 30 second spots a day, to assist the Chapter in improving public relations. They request Chapter 398 provide event information 3-4 weeks before the event and that it include a headshot and short biography of the submitter. Submission should be sent to June Scroggins.
- A representative from their company will attend the Unsung heroes and interview some of the awardees.
- Contact information [schuyler@omnibroadcastingllc.com](mailto:schuyler@omnibroadcastingllc.com) or [bobby@emeraldcoastconnected.com](mailto:bobby@emeraldcoastconnected.com).
- Meredith Coleman and Philip Boyd will be the Primary points of contact for Aerospace Education and General Information, respectively.

#### Items of Interest

- Hurlburt Chapter 398 will be participating in a Special Olympics Charity Event "Rides of March" with Omni Broadcasting and Emerald Coast Connected on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 3pm, behind Santa rosa Mall. Hurlburt AFA is seeking 10 Volunteers to assist with providing selling Coca Cola drink products and to assist with the registration and parking of the motorcycle, car, and truck show. Contact Dann to volunteer.
- The State drill meet is scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> in Daytona Beach. Dann is asking if anyone is interested in traveling to the event to present five trophies sponsored and funded by Chapter 398. The EXCOM approved funding the 5 trophies we sponsor.
- Reminder: Chapter inputs for State AFA awards is due in April
- Reminder: Chapter newsletter will be published March 31.

#### Next Meeting

- Next meeting will be March 13th, 11:30 am, at TBD.