

America First SWFLC Membership Meeting Minutes 326 Nokomis Ave. S., Venice FL 34285 - August 13, 2025

Officers Present: Terry Angley-President, Mike Stephenson-Vice President, Luke OBrien-Secretary

Opening Ceremonies: Invocation - Barbara Vaughn; Pledge of Allegiance - Barbara Vaughn; God Bless America - led by Randy Wedin

Call to Order: by President Terry Angley at 11:46 am.

Visitors were acknowledged and welcomed.

Approval of Minutes: There was a Motion by Rich Mazur to approve the AFSWFLC General Membership Minutes for July 09, 2025, which was seconded by Rick Mikluscak. Minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Gina Lamping reported that for July 2025, the Beginning Balance was \$5,296.98; Total Receipts were \$5,050.32; and Total Expenses were \$5,055.59 - leaving an Ending Balance of \$5,253.19. The report was filed for audit.

A **Motion** to amend today's Agenda to "move today's Bylaws vote down the Agenda under Old Business" was made by Mike Stephenson and seconded by Barbara Vaughn. The Motion passed unanimously.

Remarks by Elected Officials:

Vic Rohe - Hospital Board. Vic discussed the recent redistricting of the Hospital Board Districts, the recalculation of millage rates (which did not change), and the approval of \$150 million for a new Hospital in North Port to be located on Sumpter Blvd at I-75.

Joe Neunder - as State Committeeman, Joe discussed Property Tax Relief, which will on the ballot for Nov 2026. As County Commissioner, District 4, he mentioned an upcoming budget hearing to trim the budgets throughout the State of Florida, and a decision of the County Commissioners to move the Stormwater Division from the Public Works Department to its own separate category - reporting to the County Administrator. He can be contacted at: jneunder@scgov.net.

President's Report:

Sarasota County School Board member <u>Tim Enos</u> just announced his resignation. The Governor has to appoint a replacement. Our input was welcomed.

There is a request for UnVaccinated [non-Covid] Type-O <u>blood donations</u> for William (Bill) Van Allen, Jr. Contact SunCoast Blood Center: 866-97-BLOOD.

The School Board has approved plans for a <u>Cell Tower</u> at Taylor Ranch Elementary.

Terry mentioned the forthcoming SCRPOF <u>lawsuit</u> against our club, citing numerous depositions, and possible mediation.

State Senator <u>Joe Gruters</u> is one of 40 members on the Executive Board of the RPOF. In essense, our State Senator for District 22 is suing the club. Contact him.

Future Speaker(s) - Terry is trying to have <u>David Walsh</u> to speak about the FPL Solar Energy Agenda.

Featured Speaker:

Jenna Ryan - Jenna shared a detailed narrative as to the media persecution and malicious prosecution that destroyed her life on account of her personal profile as a media figure, and her attendance at the Capitol Trump Rally on January 6, 2020. The experience could easily be described as a complete setup, and worse - she was subjected to cruel and inhumane treatment at the Federal Prison Camp Bryan, in Texas.



Old Business:

Bylaws: A <u>Motion</u> by Joyce Payne to approve the proposed Bylaws (AF Bylaws Cte Draft-Final R7 7-8-25) as presented last month, was seconded by Rick Mikluscak and passed with no objections.

We were again encouraged to contact <u>Joe Gruters</u> pertaining to his oversight (or lack thereof) of the America First Lawsuit. (https://www.flsenate.gov/Senators/S22/email)

Adjournment: There was a <u>Motion</u> to Adjourn by Barbara Vaughn and seconded by Louis Drakulich. The meeeting adjourned at 1:11 pm.

Submitted by: Luke OBrien, Secretary Approved – Wed, September 10, 2025