



16 July 2009

MEMORANDUM FOR: ALL MILITARY AFFAIRS BOARD MEMBERS

FROM: Chair, Military Affairs Advisory Board

SUBJECT: Military Affairs Advisory Board Minutes – 16 July, 2009

1. **Place:** US Bank Conference Room (Basement), 6 S. Tejon St., Ste 700
2. **Date and Time:** Thursday, 16 July 2009 at 7:30 a.m.
3. **Review and approval of Previous Minutes:** Military Affairs Advisory Board Meeting Minutes: 16 June 2009 – approved.
4. **Attendees:** Ed Anderson, Brian Binn, George Sawaya, Randy Rocha, Kevin Estrem, Fritz Burkhart, Don Addy, Commissioner Dennis Hisey, Larry Fortner, Denny Cripps, Vince Rusinak, Forey Hamilton. **Absent:** Mike Resty, Terrence McWilliams, Mike Kazmierski, Bill Tutt, John Baily.
5. **Agenda:**
 - a. Welcome and Introductions – Ed Anderson
 - b. New Business:
 - i. International Center of Excellence – Don Addy
A proposal has been put forward to USNORTHCOM to establish an International Center of Excellence in Colorado Springs to support the USNORTHCOM mission. The proposal is a joint effort of the NHDF, UCCS, EDC, CHDA, Colorado OEDIT, and the Chamber. There are currently 13 such centers in existence, most associated with, and supported by, a Unified Command. Don Addy has been working with a USNORTHCOM Tiger Team that will be presenting options and recommendations to Gen Renuart in the near future. With the go-ahead from General Renuart, proposal would move to establishing a virtual center initially, followed by physical space. There is no location for the center as of yet. Funding support would also be through USNORTHCOM budget in the out-years.
 - ii. Future Community Event on Cyber – Brian Binn
Gen Kehler, Commander, AFSPC, approached UCCS and the chamber about having a community event to discuss the value of having the Air Force cyberspace mission as one of the responsibilities of AFSPC HQ. UCCS, Chamber & EDC are planning to meet to discuss the approach and then present the concept to AFSPC. Would be looking at an event in the Fall 09.
 - c. Old Business:
 - i. Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site Discussion – Ed Anderson/Larry Fortner
Ed Anderson discussed his Pinon Canyon update briefing given to EDC and the proposed way ahead to present an organized campaign to synchronize and unify community/state support. Would incorporate development of a marketing plan, with help from a marketing firm, outreach to Denver and southern Colorado supporters, briefings to key stakeholders to get the story out to the public, and enlisting support of our congressional delegation. Larry Fortner is lead on Pinon Canyon initiatives and will be establishing a Pinon Canyon Working Group

5. Open Discussion:

- a. Census is coming up in April 2010. The census is very important for our community because of the impact it has on numerous areas, including funding support. The Colorado Springs Complete Count Committee has been established, with a number of sub-committees. One is a military sub-committee and they are looking for someone to be the convener for the sub-committee. This information will be sent out to MAC. Action: JD Dallager, or a representative, will brief the Board at our next meeting on 24 September.
- b. A meeting will be set-up with the past chairs of the Military Affairs Council to brief them on current status of the MAC, as well as let them discuss their tenure and the key issues they faced. Action: Ed Anderson and Brian will meet to discuss details and timing of the event.
- c. Recommendation was made by Vince Rusinak to determine a way to recognize the TriCare providers in our region for their support of the program. Recommended that a meeting be set up with Vince, Brian, and TriWest representative (Don Brown and/or Steve Alcock) to discuss how such a program might work.

6. Upcoming Events:

- MG Graham Farewell Reception: Monday, 20 July, CMR
- MAC General Membership Meeting: Wednesday, 19 Aug, Doolittle Hall
- Military Spouse Employment Forum: Thursday, 27 Aug, PPWFC
- MAC Hail and Farewell: Wednesday, 9 Sep, NPEC

7. Military Affairs Board Meeting Schedule:

- Thursday, 24 September 2009
- Thursday, 12 November 2009

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Ed Anderson

Chair, Military Affairs Board