

**MIAMI VALLEY MILITARY AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES
11 JULY 2017**

The Board of Trustees of the MVMAA met Tuesday, 11 July 2017 at the **Springfield Air National Guard/178th**. President Jon Larrabee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Please see the addendum to these minutes with a brief outline of the presentation MVMAA received on the missions currently supported at the 178th.

Trustees in Attendance: Jon Larrabee, Cassie Barlow, Paul Newman Jr., Patti Phillips, Steve Goeman, Woody Stroud, Mark Owen, Mark Bruns, Bill Kugel, Cathy Hutton, Bernie Willis, Steve Brodsky, Debborah Wallace, John Cherry, Jack Brankamp, Jerry Pfeiffer, Rachel Castle, Chief Heidi Barker, Col. John Knabel.
GUESTS: Jordan Layao and Melissa Starkey from Kettering Health

Absent or Excused: Excused - Toni Overholser, Holly Beard, Karen Celik, Rick Whitaker, Sue Ellen Ater, Candy Prystaloski, Berman Layer, Margaret Ritter, Emma Sheridan, Jim Schumann. Absent – Mike Foy, Linda Stokes-Crowe, Ralph Anderson, John McCance, Mike Mayer, Dennis Roberts, Sara Lommatzsch, Dwayne Adams, Judy Madden, Will Roberts, Karen Wintrow

INTRODUCTION: After the pledge was said, introductions were made.

AWARD PRESENTATION: Capt. Michael Gibson received a MVMAA Outstanding Military Member Award as chosen by his Commanders at the 178th. He was chosen due to his following selfless act:

“On my way to work today in bad weather, a truck in front of me lost control and drove off-road into brush about 50-60 mph. I immediately pulled over and called 911. After that, I ran to provide first aid expecting the worst. The vehicle flipped three times and ended up in a ditch. The vehicle looked in bad shape and there was a strong odor of fuel. There was also a little bit of smoke. I quickly went down to check on the status of the driver and passengers. It was family of three with three small dogs. I was able to help the adult son out with a possible broken shoulder and their three dogs. The older couple was in a state of shock but coherent and stuck in their vehicle. I was able to talk with them until first responders arrived. Fortunately, all the passengers were able to walk away from the accident and the dogs were ok. This could have been much worse and I'm glad no one was severely injured or worse and also glad that I was at the right place at the right time to help.”

Congratulations Capt. Gibson!

APPROVAL OF June 2017 MINUTES:

MOTION: Jerry Pfeiffer. SECOND: Jack Brankamp APPROVED.

BASE COMMANDER'S REPORTS: No Reports

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Jon Larrabee reminded us that there is NO MVMAA MEETING IN AUGUST. He also reported that there was a good turnout for the Dublin Pub event but reminded us all that board attendance at special events is important. He also shared a “small world” story regarding our guest of honor, Rear Admiral John A. Schommer and his local connections.

CHAMBER REPORTS:

Beavercreek (Toni Overholser) – *No report* <https://beavercreekchamber.org/>

Bellbrook (Holly Beard) – *No report* <http://bellbrooksugarcreekchamber.org/>

Dayton (Woody Stroud) - Woody Stroud shared that the Dayton Chamber will be hosting *Israeli Chamber of Commerce & Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce: Exporting to Israel* on July 21 from 7:30 am – 10:30 am at the Business Solutions Center on Cincinnati St. He also touched on another event with Larry Dylan at the Racquet Club covering Austin Landing. www.daytonchamber.org/

Fairborn (Matt Owen) – Fairborn is doing away with their annual Jazz Festival and replacing it this year with their 1st Annual Bluegrass and Brew Festival, slated for August 4 along Main St. This is a great write-up on the festival for those interested: <https://www.fairborndailyherald.com/news/18812/fairborn-planning-bluegrass-and-brew-festival-first-city-event-to-include-beer-garden> Of course, Fairborn is also gearing up to welcome folks for the Air Force Marathon September 16. <http://fairborn.com/>

Huber Heights (Mark Bruns) Mark was happy to report that the “Rocking Ribfest” is being held July 15 from noon to 9 pm at the Huber Center. Admission is free. <http://huberheightschamber.com/>

Kettering/Moraine/Oakwood (Bill Kugel) – Bill reminded us that the Taste at Frazee will be August 31st and will be \$25/pp. You can get tickets from the Frazee website. He also explained the novelty of bringing your own box lid to use as a tray for all the great food! <http://www.kmo-coc.org/>

Lewisburg (Dennis Roberts) - *No report (No chamber website link found.)*

Northmont (Cathy Hutton) – Cathy shared that their upcoming “PINGS” (Professionals in Networking Success) event to be held on July 20 will cover drug overdose, depression and anxiety. The guest speaker will be Sheree Coffman from Northmont City schools. For more information, please see <http://northmontchamber.com/>

Riverside (Sara Lommatzsch) – *No report* <http://www.riversidechamber.com/>

South Metro (Dwayne Adams) – *No Report* <http://www.smrccoc.org/>

Springfield (Bernie Willis) – Bernie reported that the next BNI Networking event will be at the Jackson, Lytle, Lewis Life Celebration Center on Wednesday July 19 from 7:30-9:00 am. Their Chamber Night Out will also be held July 20 from 4:30-6:30 at Business Equipment Co. <http://www.greaterspringfield.com/>

Trotwood (Dr. Karen Celik) – *No report* <http://trotwoodchamber.org/>

Vandalia-Butler (Will Roberts) - *No Report* <https://vandaliabutlerchamber.org/>

Waynesville (Rick Whitaker) - *No report* www.waynesvilleohio.com/

Xenia (Steve Brodsky) – Steve shared that though it was soggy for the 4th of July Fireworks, all went well. He also wanted to make sure we all knew about the Xenia Community Festival be held September 15-16 at Shawnee Park. It really looks to be a great event. Please see <http://www.xacc.com/> or <https://www.xacc.com/xenia-community-festival.html> for more details.

Yellow Springs (Karen Wintrow) - *No Report* <http://www.yellowspringsohio.org/>

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE/NOMINATING/MEMBERSHIP (Steve Goeman) – The Treasurers Report was presented and approved. (See attached.)
MOTION: Deborah Wallace. Second: Patti Phillips. Approved.

Nominating Committee plans to meet before the September board meeting. Rachel Castle makes our 200th paid membership!

SPECIAL EVENTS (Candy Prystaloski) – On behalf of Candy, Jon reported that the Meet-n-Greet is going to be held at Soin Medical Center, Kumar Conference Center. *Details to follow ASAP.*

MILITARY/FAMILY OUTREACH (John McCance) – *No report.* Please see list of upcoming USO events at the end of these minutes.

MARKETING/COMMUNICATIONS (Ralph Anderson) – *No report.*

NEWSLETTER (Jack Brankamp) – The next newsletter deadline will be around the last week of October to first week of November. PLEASE GET ANY SUBMISSIONS FOR EVENTS OR ARTICLES TO JACK at jack6355@aol.com .

FISHER/NIGHTINGALE HOUSES (Margaret Ritter) – Rachel Castle and Cassie Barlow reported that there will be a Pirate Themed Casino Night on Saturday, Oct 7 to support the Dayton VA Medical Center Fisher House. It will be held at the Hope Hotel. *Check your email for a forward from Patti.*

STRATEGIC PLANNING (Cassie Barlow) - Cassie reported that they are ramping back up for the fall.

REMINDER: Emma Sheridan will be celebrating her 95th birthday on July 15. Please congratulate her on this impressive milestone. Cassie reported that flowers are being sent to Emma on behalf of the MVMAA.

There being no further business, the July 11, 2017 MVMAA board meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM. No regular board meeting in August.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patti Phillips

Upcoming Dates—

<i>August 2017</i>	<i>No Board Meeting</i>
<i>August 23, 2017</i>	<i>Meet 'n' Greet, Soin Medical Ctr. Kumar Conference Ctr.</i>
<i>Sept. 12, 2017</i>	<i>Board Meeting, 18:00</i>
<i>Oct. 7, 2017</i>	<i>USO Cookout (Air Force – Navy Game)</i>
<i>Oct. 10, 2017</i>	<i>Board Meeting, 18:00</i>
<i>Nov. 28, 2017</i>	<i>Annual Meeting, Air Force Base, 18:00</i>
<i>Feb. 4, 2018</i>	<i>USO Super Bowl Tailgate</i>
<i>May 11, 2018</i>	<i>Bob Chiles Golf Classic, Twin Base Golf Club</i>
<i>May 19, 2018</i>	<i>Armed Forces Day Luncheon</i>

ADDENDUM TO JULY 11, 2017 MVMAA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OVERVIEW OF SPRINGFIELD AIR NATIONAL GUARD/178TH PRESENTATION

Col. John Knabel opened the presentation with a video about what they do and what people think they do in Springfield. He addressed the recruiting demographics and interestingly noted that in 1995, 40% of recruits had a parent that served compared to only 17% in 2015. They need 11,000 recruits a year to join the ANG (Air National Guard). They want tech folks, professionals and engineers. He went on to describe the missions of the 178th, 251st, 269th, 37th, 31st and the 123rd, all of whom have a hand in the missions at the base. The 178th partners with NASIC and NASA, the 658th does recon and intelligence (think the Predator from 2010 and the newer RPA -Remotely Powered Aircraft), Mission Support does disaster relief. Interesting to note that the ANG works for the Governor not the President of the United States.

Capt. Gibson explained more about the 178th Support. They are “mission enablers” that support the service and personnel – CE, COM, Logistics and Security Forces.

Col. McGarry highlighted the 178th Operations Group and the RPA's. They had an interesting way to highlight what they do that he referred to as “5 W's”: WHO – 200 people, WHAT – RPA's, WHERE – Everywhere, WHEN – 24/7, 365 days a week, WHY – Fight against terrorism

Col. Sutch represented the 178th ISRG or the Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group. His mission is particularly sensitive so could not go into great detail but they work with the 124th Cyber ISR, 125th IS Geospatial Intel, 126th Space, and 127th Foreign Material Exploitation/Tech at NASIC.

Col. Rupper was our final speaker and was from the 269th Combat Command Squad – He is the commander of the oldest cyber group, 925 people total but 200 on active duty. They handle specialized communications jobs, data, voice etc... all over the world and often in extremely hostile environments.

(NOTE: Any possible mistakes in these notes are solely my fault and not the fault of the speakers😊- Patti)