**MIAMI VALLEY MILITARY AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**MINUTES**

13 April 2021

The Board of Trustees of the MVMAA met Tuesday, 13 April 2021 via Lifesize virtual format. Thanks to Toni Overholser for setting up the virtual platform. President Toni Overholser called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Trustees in Attendance:** Toni Overholser**,** Rebecca, Susy Himelhoch, Steve Goeman, Holly Beard, Woody Stroud, Paul Newman Jr., Brandon Creech, Mark Bruns, Anthony Colussi, Alexandra Scott, Patti Phillips, Sara Lommatzsch, Cassie Barlow, John McCance and Rick Whitaker.

**DOD:** Col Mike Phillips, 88 ABW Vice Commander; Col Kim Fitzgerald, 178 Wg,

**Liaisons**: Chris Stanley, Fisher Nightingale House; Erik Oberg, USO

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes:** *MOTION TO APPROVE:*

*Sara Lommatzsch., Paul Newman, Jr., Second. PASSED.*

**BASE COMMANDERS REPORTS:**

**88 ABW –** Col Phillips welcomed everyone to months #13 of using this format. The 88 MG is #2 in the AF putting shots in arms. The Wing sent 120 Airmen to Detroit to help out with providing vaccinations there. Additional Airmen are in MN, SC and FL helping out. Tier 2 will open on 19 April so all others categories will now be eligible to get their vaccines. Beyond COVID, it’s almost summer, so more construction. Gate 15A will be closed to get cover for the defenders on the gate. Everyone will work to make it possible to get on base efficiently. The MWR folks are starting to open up some activities. The chaplains’ office had several officer promotions this month. Last week the base had a Force Protection exercise and there will be more exercises over the summer. A Unit Effectiveness Inspection is scheduled for 7-11 June. CMSgt of the Air Force Bass is schedule to visit the base 2-4 June. John McCance complimented Dave at the Hobby Shop for an awesome, safe environment. Holly asked about the opening of the COVID vaccination; there will be a story and the announcement of an app in the next Skywrighter for scheduling.

**178 Wing:** Col Fitzgerald reported on the unit’s members helping with COVID vaccinations. There are still folks working the Food Banks. People were working in the prisons, but they are all back. Last weekend was the first in-person UTA. Over 1,000 people on base. Full time personnel are back on base. A community day is being planned with the DDC on 16 Sept. The 123rd at Blue Ash, the Air Battle Managers. They will now be operating out of Shaw AFB, after being down range for several months.

**445AW –** No one online; Col Smith was called away unexpectedly.

**MVMAA Liaisons**

**First Sergeant Council** – No report

**Fisher Nightingale House –** Chris Stanley reported on the finalizing of Fisher House 1 renovations. For the first CY first quarter, 43 families. Average stay is about 3 nights. Looking at when volunteers can return. 28 Aug All American Evening planning is ongoing and may change.

**USO –** Erik Oberg reported on USO happenings. Traffic is continuing to increase at all USOs. The base USO is staying very busy. Wave 7 of the deployers is expected soon. 690 people were fed with the drive-through program with Bob Evans. Erik thanks Col Fitzgerald and her leadership team for visiting the airport USO. Celebrating volunteers. 15,000 girl scout cookies arrived yesterday. Looking forward to everyone being at the USO. Chris Stanley told Erik the thin ones do NOT make you thin. Toni thanked Erik and his volunteers for all they have done and how they have adapted.

**President’s Remarks:** Toni said we will have a limit of 35 people for the in-person meeting at the USO. It may require solid RSVPs. More information will go out to the board as we finalize our next meeting. She appreciates everyone’s ongoing support and connection, even during the last year while dealing with COVID. Everyone has engaged and come up with special ideas to continue the organizations mission.

Thank you to all the chamber representatives for the continuing support you provide the MVMAA. Board members should go to the various Chamber websites for up to date activities and schedules.

**Beavercreek** (Brian Jarvis) <https://beavercreekchamber.org/>

**Bellbrook** (Holly Beard) <http://bellbrooksugarcreekchamber.org/> Present

**Dayton (**Woody Stroud) [www.daytonchamber.org/](http://www.daytonchamber.org/) Present

**Fairborn** (Paul Newman, Jr.) <http://fairborn.com/> Present

**Huber Heights** (Mark Bruns) <http://huberheightschamber.com/> Present

**Kettering/Moraine/Oakwood** *(*Anthony Colussi) <http://www.kmo-coc.org/> Present

**Lewisburg (**Dennis Roberts*)*

**Northmont** () <http://northmontchamber.com/>

**Riverside** (Sara Lommatzsch) <http://www.riversidechamber.com/>Present

**South Metro** (Dwayne Adams) <http://www.smrcoc.org/>

**Springfield** (Bernie Willis)  <http://www.greaterspringfield.com/>

**Spring Valley** (Judy Madden)

**Trotwood** (Marie Battle) <http://trotwoodchamber.org/>

**Vandalia-Butler** (Will Roberts) <https://vandaliabutlerchamber.org/>

**Waynesville** (Rick Whitaker) [www.waynesvilleohio.com/](http://www.waynesvilleohio.com/) Present

**Xenia** (Steve Brodsky) <http://www.xacc.com/>

**Yellow Springs** (Alexandra Scott) <http://www.yellowspringsohio.org/> Present

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**MILITARY/FAMILY OUTREACH**: John McCance said no new information at the moment.

**ASSOCIATION SPECIAL EVENTS:** No update at this time.

**MARKETING/COMMUNICATION:** No update for now.

**FINANCE:** Steve Goeman reported the latest financial report was emailed to all the board members with the board reminder. He said the month was fairly quiet. The only expense last month was the square space costs.

*MOTION TO APPROVE April Treasurer’s Report: Woody Stroud, lin Stokes-Crowe, Seconded, Motion PASSED.*

**MEMBERSHIP:** Cassie reported it’s been a fantastic two months for membership. We have 162 members, 109 annual, Charter, 12 honorary members, 12 lifetime members. Membership has

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Patti Phillips reported she has been updating the social media page. Patti and Toni will discuss putting information on Twitter. Patti asked that any members that have activities to please send it to Patti. Toni reiterated the importance of liking and sharing.

**NOMINATING:** No report at this time.

**BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT:**Nothing to report at this time.

**GOLF OUTING:**  Holly reported on the upcoming golf outing. There’s a hat for this year’s giveaway. The hat last year was a great success. The hat is similar this year, but a different pattern. Several generous donors this year. There will be a signed guitar from Kenney Chesney for the lunch auction. There will also be a foursome at the NCR Country Club. If we get 100 golfers to come out cost goes down. Donations for the raffle would be really appreciated. The Paddle Wagon is willing to give us a full tour for the raffle or auction for $174. The 178 Wg leadership will sponsor the Paddle Wagon. The committee is meeting weekly right now. Holly found a photographer who is donating his time.

Update from Holly:  
I showed the hat we will be giving out this year

 We are looking for raffle donations

 We are very excited to have some very nice donations this year!

* Signed Kenny Chesney guitar
* NCR country club foursome
* Heidelberg golf bag
* Would like to do 3 or 4 themed baskets this year for raffle
* We will be auctioning off the guitar and NCR foursome with golf bag at the lunch after golf
* I asked for help finding a sponsor for the Pedal Wagon in downtown Dayton
  + 178th agreed to sponsor!
  + We will likely auction this off as well

 We are up to 81 golfers

* I have a goal of reaching 100 at least as the per person fee at the golf course goes down

 I will be getting the guitar next week and will send Patti a picture to post on social media as soon as I have it.

 We are meeting weekly now as we quickly approach the outing on May 7th

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** We received a request to support the MSgt recognition ceremony and the future AAPI. Steve said it is in keeping with our usual amounts. The decision was made to give $500 to the organizations.

**Meeting adjourned at 1858 hours, 6:58 p.m.**

The next meeting will be on 11 May 2021 at 1800 hours (6 p.m.). We hope to resume the in-person meetings at the USO in May.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lin Stokes-Crowe