

Minutes from 16 March 2017

HRMFFA Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting

1. HRMFFA's quarterly Board of Directors meeting was held at the Regional Building in Chesapeake on 16 March 2017. Public Board members present were: Mayors Krasnoff, Price, Rabil, Rowe, Sessoms and Tuck; Supervisors Sadler and Shepperd; Poquoson City Councilman Southall attended for Mayor Hunt; Williamsburg City Councilwoman Ramsey attended for Mayor Freiling; Acting City Manager Smith attended as a non-voting member for Mayor Alexander. Private Board members present were: Baugh, Brickell, Faulkner, Grabow, Hoogstraten, Klett, Paveglio and Stephens. Karl Johnson attended as a non-voting member representing Joe Campbell; Kevin Joyce attended as a non-voting member representing Mike Kuhns. Executive Director Quigley, Deputy Executive Director Dwyer and Treasurer Collins were also present. A quorum was achieved.
2. Board Chair Alan Krasnoff called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.
3. Mayor Krasnoff welcomed Mayor John Rowe of Portsmouth to the HRMFFA Board of Directors. Mayor Rowe was attending his first board meeting since taking office.
4. Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs for the Commonwealth of Virginia, Admiral (Ret) John Harvey, introduced a presentation on Public-Public/Public-Private (P4) Partnership efforts within the Commonwealth. He stated this P4 presentation was given to all the Navy installation commanders in the region last month. He mentioned that the Air Force was leading the way with developing these partnerships but the Navy would now be aggressively pursuing these initiatives with local municipalities and private entities. Secretary Harvey also stated the Commonwealth has contracted with the Matrix Design Group to assist installations in Virginia with developing these partnerships. He then introduced Mr. Sal Nodjomian, Col, USAF (Ret), from Matrix who gave a presentation on what P4 initiatives are and some examples that are being done at installations around the country. He stressed the partnerships are designed to be win-win opportunities for the partners involved and can provide great benefits of cost savings and operational enhancements to both the installations and municipalities through economies of scale, shared services and use of under-utilized real estate on military installations. Reducing base operating costs will only help an installation's scoring when the next BRAC round occurs. CAPT Moore, Chief of Staff, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic, briefed that the Navy installations in the region would be looking for opportunities to form these partnerships. CAPT McDaniel, Commanding Officer of Norfolk Naval Station, and CAPT Freeman, Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activity Hampton

Roads, stated they have already formed working groups to start looking for potential partnering opportunities.

5. Mr. Kevin Felix of The Roosevelt Group introduced Mr. Stephen Hanson, Vice Provost for International Affairs at William & Mary, who gave an update on the status of the formation of the Whole of Government Center of Excellence. Mr. Hanson thanked the HRMFFA Board and Secretary Harvey for the financial assistance to hire a full time director for the center this year to get it up and running. Secretary Harvey also thanked the Board for the assistance and stated his office would craft a funding mechanism going forward. Mr. Hanson briefed they have five students already signed up to begin the program in the Fall of 2017 and will have final numbers by the middle of April. They are currently developing a long range strategic plan and finalizing plans for a Spring 2017 leader development summit.
6. Ms. Cathy Mangum, NASA Langley Research Center Associate Director, gave a presentation about the current operations at the Center including the groundbreaking in April of a new \$95.6M measurement systems lab, on-going aeronautics research, and their work with the Hampton Roads region to assist with making it a major player in the emerging field of unmanned systems. She also presented a timeline for the many activities planned to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of NASA Langley.
7. John Simmons from The Roosevelt Group provided a legislative update, including advocacy highlights on behalf of the region, the FY2018 budget development including differences between the Administration's and HASC/SASC proposals, status of FY2017 Defense Appropriations and Authorization bills and NASA's FY2017 and FY2018 budget status. He mentioned the FY2017 Defense Appropriations currently includes \$21.2 billion for 13 ships which was \$2.8B higher than the President's budget request. However, Congress has not acted yet on the FY2017 appropriations and is still operating on a continuing resolution that expires on 28 April 2017. Remaining bills may be considered individually or packaged into an omnibus or several minibuses. Mr. Simmons also briefed that another BRAC round will likely happen in the upcoming years, it's just a matter of when. He stated the Administration and SECDEF Mattis have been silent on the subject, so it is unknown right now whether they will request a BRAC round in their FY2018 full budget request to the Congress. The previous Administration had requested a BRAC each year for the last five years to no avail.
8. End-of-February financials were presented by Executive Director Quigley; no issues.
9. Deputy Executive Director Dwyer presented an update on the Hampton Roads region being selected by the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) as a Great American Defense Community (GADC) for 2017. Mr. Dwyer briefed that

the region would be recognized at the ADC National Summit in June at an event widely attended by Congressional members, DoD leadership, and defense communities across the country. As part of being selected as a GADC, HRMFFA was working to conduct a series of radio interviews April 10-13 on Cathy Lewis' "Hearsay" program with outstanding volunteer military families from each of the military services. HRMFFA is also looking to recognize these families and have the GADC award formally presented to the region during a pre-game ceremony at the Norfolk Tides game on 21 May at 1:00 p.m. He requested up to \$1,500 to rent out a patio area at the game for the families and other invited guests. Motion was made and seconded to approve the \$1,500 and the motion carried unanimously by the Board.

10. Executive Director Quigley asked the board to consider deploying \$1,000 each for support of anniversary observances for NASA Langley, Naval Station Norfolk and the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. Funds would be used to help sponsor various anniversary events. Motion was made and seconded to approve the \$3,000 and the motion carried unanimously by the Board.
11. Mr. Mark A. Geduldig-Yatrofsky, resident of Portsmouth, requested time to address the Board which was granted by Chairman Krasnoff. Mr. Geduldig-Yatrofsky stated he is an advocate of open government and had recently learned of HRMFFA's existence. He requested that future Board meetings be advertised on HRMFFA's website, agendas and minutes also be published and that public comment periods be included on future agendas.
12. Mayor Krasnoff asked Laurie Grabow to come forward so she could be recognized for her service on the HRMFFA Board, as this is her last Board meeting. Mayor Krasnoff thanked Ms. Grabow for her service and presented her a certificate of appreciation.
13. Mayor Krasnoff adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

NEXT HRMFFA BOARD MEETING WILL BE THE ANNUAL MEETING ON 15 JUNE 2017 AT 10:30 A.M. IN THE REGIONAL BOARD ROOM.