

#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**

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31 May 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR Chairman, Fort Jackson Retiree Council, Fort Jackson, SC 29207

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Fort Jackson Retiree Council Meeting

ACTION OF APPROVING AUTHORITY: The attached minutes of the Fort Jackson Retiree Council meeting conducted on 2 May 2024 are approved disapproved.

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## **Fort Jackson Retiree Council Meeting Minutes**

Post Headquarters, Post Conference Room Ft Jackson, South Carolina Thursday, May 2, 2024 1800

#### 1. Chairman

- Opening Remarks
  - JR Sanderson opened with prayer
  - Attendance sheet passed around room (See Spreadsheet)
    - Others in Attendance:
      - COL Stewart, Moncrief Commander
      - COL Hickman and Mark Cox, Garrison Commander and Deputy
      - Gary Fulham, DFMWR Director
      - Aaron Hayes, DHR Acting Director
      - Spencer Miller
  - o Introductions of all personnel in attendance

## 2. Review and Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Minutes from March 7, 2024 unanimously approved

## 3. Chair's Opening Comments

- Recognized Regina Harlan's commitment to ensuring success in our upcoming Retiree
   Appreciation Days events
- Acknowledged that this meeting would be focused on the upcoming RAD activities and participation

## Initiatives (no change):

- o Improve communications with Retirees.
  - Paul Flondarina take lead on information dissemination
  - County Veteran Affairs Officers (CVAOs), MOAA Chapters, and Purple Hearts chapters may support further disseminate information
- O Community Outreach.
  - Continue to seek for opportunities for the FJRC to assist the military community
- Retiree Transition Process
  - Senior Leader Transition. Brief overview of activities on the 26 March Senior
     Leaders in transition social with local business leaders

#### 4. Garrison Update (COL Tim Hickman)

New stoplight at intersection of Marion and Strom Thurmond Ave

- Renovations to Pickens CDC (app: 1 year left), Future CDC scheduled 2028
- Middle School in Solomon Center
- Renovations to Coleman Gym will start by Jan 2025
- Mini Mall renovations ongoing, will remain in operation throughout
- Next Community Info Exchange planned for May 13<sup>th</sup> at the 1917 Club at 1130.

# 5. Retirement Services Officer Update (Regina Harlan)

- Retiree Appreciation Days (RAD) 16-18 May 2024
  - O Thursday Breakfast with the CG and Graduation
    - Guest Speaker for RAD Day 1 and Graduation (Charlie Farrell)
  - o Friday Golf Tournament (9-12)
  - O Saturday RAD Expo (9-12) at the Solomon Center
    - Retiree Council Table set in front to greet attendees

#### 6. Dorn Veteran Medical Center Update (Ashford Lenearo)

- Oscar Rodriguez new Director
- o Ashford Lenearo Dep. Director
- Facility Update
  - State of the art sterile compounding facility IAW USP 797/800 and Joint commission was activated Feb 2024
  - Police worn body cameras
  - Robotic surgery program completed its 700<sup>th</sup> case (gen surgery, knees)
  - Several VISN 7 site visits to review telehealth, Community Care, AWE, GEMS,
     SPH, Emergency mgt and engineering programs
  - Feb 15<sup>th</sup> SecVA visit to Greenville to meet with staff and Veterans.

#### Construction Update

- Bldg. 10 construction delayed for fire suppression pump and exterior porches, expect completed Dec 2024
- Rehabilitation bldg. complete, should be moving into Jun 24
- 2<sup>nd</sup> parking garage construction has started, existing garage has added an additional deck and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> level is now open. Once complete overall net gain 500 spots
- Parking & Paving project awarded to pave and paint all parking lots on campus as well as install "parking pucks" that will link to an app to show which spots are vacant or full
- New MRI machine being installed in our MRI bldg., currently we have a mobile
   MRI unit while the construction is being completed on the new unit

#### Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) Update

- Sumter new 25K sq ft facility, opened Monday 6 Nov 2023
- Florence construction underway, expected completion Aug 24
- Rock Hill construction underway expected completion fall 24
- Approved for new 285K sq ft HCC in Greenville for design 2025

- Approved for new 55K sq ft clinic in Spartanburg for design 2025
- Requested new clinics for W. Columbia and Laurens County

#### 7. Agency Reports

- Moncrief Health Clinic (COL Warren Stewart)
  - Change of Command set for April
  - Pharmacy issues have all been addressed, should be back to normal wait times
  - o Refill on MHS Genesis portal in real time, filled w/in 72 hrs
  - Closed personnel gap, almost at full capacity. Should result in less wait time and increased services offered (less referrals)
  - 1 pair of prescription eyeglasses per year authorized for retirees
  - Issue raised about TRICARE For Life (TFL) not having access to MHS Genesis once the service member reaches the age of 65 and is enrolled in Medicare where TFL becomes the secondary insurance.
- **DECA.** No attendee.

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AAFES. No attendee.

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## • FMWR (Gary Fulham)

- Weston Lake Beach opening 18 May
- o 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration (on the 4<sup>th</sup>) open to public
- World Long Drive Competition 19-22 July

## 8. Internal Reports

- CIE. No report. Next CIE is June 13.
  - Seeking a FJRC Volunteer to attend these.

#### Golf Course

- Discussion about updating facilities and grounds
- Looking at food truck options instead of opening kitchen for patrons
- Communications Initiative.
  - Working with DFAS customer relations about joint retiree comms

#### 9. Unfinished Business

Nothing significant to report.

## 10. New Business

• Chair asked all to use their specific network of contacts to get word out about the RAD and relevant Retiree topics.

# **11. Closing Comments**

- Chair thanked all for what they do to support our retired population, regardless of service or compo.
- The Next meeting is 11 July, 2024 (Due to holiday)

Dan Beatty
Chairman

Fort Jackson Retiree Council

Enclosure.

Attendance