**FORT STEWART RETIRED SOLDIER ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**11 September 2024**

Conducted via Telecom

**Council Members in Attendance**

COL (R) Kin La Fate – Co-Chair CSM (R) Divina Bobb -- Co-Chair LTC (R) Blair Craig

COL (R) Kevin Milton CW5 (R) Bob Letendre CSM (R) Leon Caffie

CSM (R) Mike Balch LTC (R) Donald Hansen

LTC (R) Karen Nigara CSM (R) Edward Shelton

1SG (R) Larry McDaniel SFC (R) Karen Bell

**Ft. Stewart-HAAF RSO Team**

Mr. Tom Allmon, Director Human Resources

Mr. David Southerland, Fort Stewart/ HAAF MPD Chief

Ms. Julie Lovelady, Fort Stewart/HAAF Assistant Installation RSO

Ms. Anna Taylor, Fort Stewart/HAAF Assistant Installation RSO

* RAD 2025
  + CSM (R) Bobb will coordinate final efforts to lock in 22 March 2025 for the Fort Stewart RAD to be conducted at the University of Central Florida. Currently, we’re on a wait list pending final approval for our date. All agreed that we must make a decision on the site location for the RAD NLT 11 October 2024 or select Fort Stewart as the alternate site for the 2025 RAD. Mr. Tom Allmon reviewed the Division schedule and currently 22 March 2025 looks favorable to support the relocation if necessary.
  + Mr. Southerland will coordinate with the MWR to see if they can support a golf event in conjunction with hosting the RAD.
  + If Fort Stewart is selected, we’ll select committees to work taskers to support the RAD at the new location.
  + Advantage is ID Card services will be provided
* CSA
  + A tasker for the Issue Papers has not been issued; however, this does not create a problem because our 2 Issue Papers are completed and are in the final stages for submission to the Garrison Commander for approval.
  + Format will be necessary for the new Command Staff
  + CSA Opening
    - 2 Officers 1 NCO
    - No official announcement is out for nominations
    - We need to better understand requirements and needs of the CSA for their open positions to self determine if we have the right people on our team to meet their criteria for the open positions.
* Council Member Openings
  + CSM Jeff Ashmen has elected to surrender his position on the Council in hopes of drawing new candidates with new ideas to support the council. Currently, we have 2 candidates who expressed an interest to join the council—as a group, we’ll have the opportunity to review their resumes and determine if we should select one or both candidates to serve on the Council.
  + Question: Should we submit CSM Jeff Ashmen for an award for his many years of dedicated service on the Council?
* The next Virtual Retired Soldier Council meeting will be on 11 October 2024 @1400.

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