

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Retiree Council Minutes of Meeting 20 February 2019

1. The 20 February 2019 FLW Retiree Council meeting was held at Dillard Hall, 13486 Replacement Avenue, building 470, room 2122, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

**Members Present:**

LTC (RET) John Fensterer  
1SG (RET) Walter Reese  
MSG (RET) David Robinson  
COL (RET) Jon Byrom  
1SG (RET) Eric Adams  
LTC (RET) David Chuber  
MSG (RET) William K. Burns  
1SG (RET) Michael Estright  
LTC (RET) Vasili Karatzas

**Members Excused:**

CSM (RET) Peter Hiltner

**Members Absent:**

1SG (RET) Gilbert Negrete

**Guest Present:**

Mr. Noah Stevens, RSO, DHR  
CSM Alexander, Garrison CSM

**Resignations:**

2. Meeting called to order by Chairman, MSG (RET) Burns, at 1000 hours.
- a. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
  - b. Guest introductions were made.
  - c. No deletions were made to the agenda.
  - d. The minutes of the 20 November 2018 meeting were presented for review and were approved as written.

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- e. There are three officer and two enlisted vacancies on the Retiree Council.
3. Committee Reports:
- a. Retiree Assistance Office. No report.
  - b. Health Care Board. No report.
  - c. Retiree Council Financial Statement. \$1,490.37.
  - d. Legislative Liaison. None.
4. Area Council Reports:
- a. Springfield. Vacant. No report.
  - b. St. Louis. No Report.
  - c. Legislative Liaison: Vacant. No Report.
5. Old Business:
- a. Retirement Appreciation Days (RAD) FY19.
    - (1) Approval from Department of the Army to host RAD on September 7-8, 2019.
    - (2) RAD dinner. Begin search for caterer.
    - (3) Breakfast. Waynesville Masonic Lodge #375, Waynesville, MO.
    - (4) Schedule the Bus tour by Mr. Michael Alley.
  - b. Post Office box address is: **Fort Leonard Wood Retiree Council  
PO Box 614  
Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473.**

The PO Box has been secured for 13 months from July 2018, at a cost of \$70. This is a recurring fee for the council.

- c. The new **EIN** is **81-1992291**.
- d. The council is approved as a 501c (19) non-profit by the IRS for processing.

e. 990 Form has been submitted and accepted by the IRS for 2018. This is the Council's annual requirement to file. This is due no earlier than 1 October and no later than December 31, annually.

f. Retirees go to the Social Security Website and file under Medicare-only if not fully retiring. The commercial side of health care does not understand the full implications of TRICARE or TRICARE Plus. If you are a military Retiree and you have an off-post doctor, then TRICARE for Life is your part D for prescriptions on post and Part C for off-post. If your PCM is on post, or at a military treatment facility elsewhere, then you must file with the TRICARE ombudsman at the military treatment facility for TRICARE Plus which is your Medicare part C and is free since your PCM is on post at the military treatment facility. Need to better publicize and provide a clearer understanding of how it works. **GO TO THE HOSPITAL AND ASK TO SPEAK TO A BENEFITS SPECIALIST WITH QUESTIONS BEFORE ACTING.**

6. New Business.

a. Katrinka Goode, Survivors Outreach – Meet once a month. No report.

b. Kristine Harland, AAFES – No report.

c. Commissary – No report.

d. Garrison CSM – Offered support to the Council with the Regimental Room for; RAD Dinner.

e. Civilian Workforce, CPAC – No report.

f. Rhonda Hutsell & Kristina Stump, AVCC (ACS) – No report.

g. Thrift Shop – No report.

h. SOP – No report.

i. RAD FY19.

(1) Museum's Engineer Regimental Room is the desired location of the 2019 Retiree Appreciation Dinner. Command Sergeant Major Alexander offered her support. Council will request through RFMSS after meeting.

(2) Need to identify a caterer.

(3) Bus tour. Guide?

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(4) RAD Guest Speaker for FY 19 needs to be identified at next meeting. Topic should be related to Retirees' interests, health care (Tricare, Veterans Affairs), investment in their future, etc... will hold a special meeting on 10 April 2019 to vote.

(5) Voted and approved to:

(a) To purchase table cloths.

(b) To hold a FY 19 Retiree Council Golf Tournament.

(6) 1SG (RET) Adams is working on donations for door prizes.

j. Retiree of the Year nominations at the next meeting. Will hold a special meeting Meeting on 10 April 2019 to vote.

k. Selection of new members. Voted on COL (RET) Kent Soebbing, LTC (RET) Leslie Dillard and SFC (RET) Gary Woodruff. All were selected and welcomed on the Council.

l. Legislative Liaison. Tabled until May 2019 council meeting.

m. Charter needs to be reviewed and voted on. Charter will be reviewed and approved via email no later than 15 March 2019.

n. Scheduled meetings for the upcoming year: FY19 Council meetings are scheduled for: 15 May 2019 and 21 August 2019.

o. Motion made and seconded to adjourn the council was approved at 1130 hours.

7. Next scheduled meeting: Dillard Hall, 13486 Replacement Ave, Building 470, Room 2122, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri at 1000 hours, 15 May 2019. Visitors are welcome to attend.

  
William Kent Burns  
MSG (RET), USA  
Co-Chairman