

Missouri National Guard Retiree Council

10 April 2021

The meeting of the Missouri National Guard Retiree Council began at 1200 on 10 April 2021 in the Thomas Center at Ike Skelton Training Site, Jefferson City with the following retirees and other interested parties in attendance.

Bill Leeper	Dave Riley
Jack Argent	Bob Julius
Donal Firebaugh	Todd Henderson
Bob Proctor	Gaila Sullivan
Randy Rodenberg	Gary Boyd
James Dunn via phone	David Simons
John Lewis	Don Koonce

Gary Boyd confirmed the meeting had a quorum

Bob Julius called the meeting to order at 1208, then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by John Lewis.

Roll call by Randy Rodenberg found the above 11 members in attendance and one guest.

Bob Proctor read the minutes of the previous meeting (11 July 2020). The Minutes passed in its entirety by a unanimous vote.

Don Koonce gave a briefing on his personal update on Covid and his trip to Alabama working on a nuclear powerplant. 2nd amendment with the new administration may be affected, and many other rights may as well. House bill 60 places the State defense systems directly under the Governor via a constitutional amendment by adding a 17th counsel member. HB60 goes to the Senate next week and it appears the Governor will sign it. It is expected to pass. Senate bill

528 "Minute Men Bill" has also been brought up and is not expected to pass. The concern is it arms the militia. He will send out via email info of these two bills. BG Ward will be retiring in May and has been asked to consider to be the CG of the SDF.

Alan Garrison was introduced as a possible new member from the northeast region by Randy Rodenberg. Randy motioned to nominate LTC Garrison to represent the NE area, Todd Henderson 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: TAG briefing brought up questions such as,

- 1) are we being effective,
- 2) are we getting anything done?

Gary Boyd: We haven't gotten enough guidance from the TAG office to answer these questions.

The last Charter given and signed was done by MG Danner. A new Charter is required from the new TAG. Randy Rodenberg asked Bob Proctor to reprint a hard copy of the Charter for the TAG to sign.

Randy Rodenberg wants to draft a letter to request guidance to represent the TAG as the MONGRC, but Gary Boyd suggested to meet face to face with the TAG is much better and will be more efficient. It was agreed to write a letter to request a meeting with the TAG.

There was only on Regional Update:

East: The Air Force Retiree Activities Office had been opened for limited weekly hours at Jefferson Barracks.

John Lewis gave the RSO report. Most of the report focused on the new ID cards and the loss of certain VA dependent benefits after the death of the sponsor that was expected to take place in 2021.

No new business was noted.

The next meeting was scheduled for 10 July 2021.

The benediction was given by John Lewis and a motion was called to adjourn the meeting by David Riley. Todd Henderson seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1430 hours.

Prepared by:

Bob Proctor, Secretary