

**Minutes of the February 2, 2016, Meeting of the NCMAC Executive Steering Group
DMVA HQ, Raleigh, NC**

ATTENDEES:

Bud Martin, NCMAC Chairman
Paul Dordal, NCMAC Vice Chairman
Jeff Sanborn, Quality of Life CMTE Chairman
Bob Dickerson, Base Sustainability & Community Affairs CMTE Chairman (by phone)
Sen. Harry Brown, Legislative Affairs CMTE Chairman (by phone)
Cresswell Elmore on behalf of Gary McKissock, Economic Development CMTE Chairman
Stuart Ruffin, NCMF
Hon. Mike McIntyre
Lacy Pate
Jeremy Schmidt

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order, announced those in attendance to call-in participants and introduced special guest Hon. Mike McIntyre to share information in support of the NCMAC's initiatives.

Remarks by Hon. Mike McIntyre: Hon. Mr. McIntyre met with Chairman Martin last month to discuss the Commission and share his interest in supporting it and opportunities to be of assistance. He gave shared his military background: assignment to the Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces and ranking member of the Subcommittee on Sea Power and Projection Forces; worked with Ray Mabus, CNO for Navy and Marine Corps Commandant; he spent a lot of time at Camp Lejeune, Cherry Point while in office, his former district included Fort Bragg; got Elizabeth City designated as a Coast Guard City. He is now working with Poyner & Spruill. Mr. McIntyre has spoken with other local MACs and several ask that he continue to assist with ensuring their approach is consistent and cohesive. He enjoys strong relationships with the NC National Guard, Chairman of the ASC, Special Ops Forces Caucus, congressmen, and agencies like the EPA, NOAA, National Marine Fisheries and Department of Defense. He would be honored to assist with opportunities in the State. He mentioned Glen Dunn, an attorney and former counsel to Department of Environmental Resources who has vast knowledge of working with CAMA. He was a mediator for the Bonner Bridge settlement, and led the Economic and Business Summit in DC for 18 years.

Sen. Brown commended Mr. McIntyre on his work with various committees and boards.

Chairman Martin stated we would discuss with Commission leadership and identify areas in which Mr. McIntyre could be helpful, particularly with the Strategic Plan. Mr. McIntyre was invited to address the Commission at the next meeting on February 23.

Consent Agenda:

Chairman requested a motion to approve the October and November ESG meeting minutes, which was so moved by Bob Dickerson and seconded by Jeff Sanborn and passed unanimously without further discussion.

Administrative Update:

Lacy Pate of DMVA briefed the Group on Agency-related budget items.

Vice Chairman Dordal asked that Lacy Pate be instrumental in preparing the budget update for the full commission meeting.

Criteria for the community grants is to be established. The Oversight Committee will want to see the details of the plan for the community grants.

The status of budget and website were briefly addressed by Jeremy Schmidt of DMVA.

OEA Grant

This was briefed by Lacy Pate of DMVA. She has been working with Fiona Baxter at NC State on drafting and planning the proposal to receive a planning grant with a goal of completion by spring. The Program Office at NC State will work with us, and Ms. Pate is in contact with Mike Gilroy. The grant contemplates DMVA as fiscal agent. We need to justify costs in mapping out the plan, which may require an RFP for supply chain mapping.

Committee Updates:

Quality of Life - briefed by Jeff Sanborn, Committee Chair.

- The Committee reviewed their current priorities in the last meeting deciding to maintain them as written.
- Cape Fear Valley Medical Center and Womack Army Hospital briefed the Committee on the need for a children's crisis stabilization unit at Fort Bragg (John Bigger, John Lesica).
- Doug Taggart of DPI briefed on a need for additional regional counselors to coordinate support for military-connected children.

Legislative Affairs – briefed by Sen. Harry Brown. The short session of the legislature is convening in April with a goal to be complete by the end of June, at the latest July 4.

- There may be money available to assist with Commission priority number 3, i.e., Assist Working Lands Group.
- The wind issue is not “going away” with a change to the Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties permits and is seen as an ongoing issue that will affect training. Vice Chair Dordal commented that the red-yellow-green mapping product will provide guidance to businesses coming to NC. Citizens around farms do not like the development, so we will need to keep our hand on this.

- Children's Crisis Stabilization Unit – not sure how much traction can be gained during the short session.
- EMT/Firefighters request for training fees (\$461k) – Gen. Dickerson will send a letter of support

Discussion: Bob Dickerson suggested that NC Commanders Council sit with the 911 Board. MCI East's position is that the NDAA prohibits public-public partnerships. Gen. Dickerson believes we are at an impasse on this issue. Gen. Dordal stated that other states' practices would be covered by ADC at an upcoming session. Gen. Martin has been making an effort to share ADC articles with key stakeholders. Gen. Martin will provide an update on much-needed resources to Speaker Moore's office in early March. Ms. Pate added that we are pursuing face-to-face meetings with legislators to convey the value of putting state funding toward installations.

Economic Development – briefed by Cresswell Elmore on behalf of Committee Chair Gary McKissock.

- The Committee met last Tuesday and reviewed priorities. They are working with Workforce Development on employment initiatives.
- The Committee is exploring the potential for a research and development center in the State for business development. Meetings are expected to take place in the next 5-6 weeks to discuss this with other states, personnel.
- College credit for military training is still a high priority.
- They received a briefing from Tammy Everett and David Hayden of NCDDBA and discussed economic development opportunities in the state.
- Jamie Norment of Allies for Cherry Point's Tomorrow (ACT) briefed the Committee on the Organization.
- Randy Moore and Tim Bohler of RLM Communications briefed the Committee on the Organization.
- Scott Dorney of NC Military Business Center briefed the Committee on the Organization and agreed to be a resource for input to a research and development center.
- Stuart Ruffin of NC Military Foundation briefed the Committee on the Organization and the work done with Kimberly Williams to set up public-private partnership hiring initiative. NC4ME is now consolidated under NCWorks. He requests vocal support to the Governor's office and to the NCMAC, connection to grant opportunities (Goodwill helps with veterans' breakfasts – possible sponsor.)

Base Sustainability & Community Affairs – briefed by Committee Chairman Bob Dickerson.

- The Committee met on January 27 in Goldsboro.
- Discussed census update; waiting to get response from Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness at Department of Defense to Secretary Wilson's November letter. Bob Coats, Census Liaison, Governor's office, also briefed the Committee. Governor should engage with DoD to reinforce the request.
- Camp Lejeune Rail Study is ready to be briefed at upcoming full Commission meeting.
- Robert Hosford briefed the Committee on Sentinel Landscape designation progress.
- Firefighter/EMS training funding – the Committee will provide an updated letter to the General Assembly with this request.

- Enhancing awareness of military value to North Carolina.
- 911/PSAP funding – does the State want to do this by gift to services?

Discussion: Vice Chairman Dordal noted that many legislators did not want to fund projects on installations relative to the military bond project list. Bonds would have been considered 50/50 gifting. USMC cannot accept half a gift. Gen. Dickerson asked if this should be worked through the NC Commanders Council. Vice Chair Dordal stated it should go through undersecretaries up the chain of command.

BRAC Preparation Committee – briefed by Vice Chairman Dordal.

- Met in November to bring community representatives together to discuss how they would respond to a BRAC.
- In 2005, the Lt. Governor attempted to consolidate efforts throughout the state. More coordination between State and communities is needed in event of a BRAC.
- Will meet with consultant group after resolution of contract.
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10:55 **Top Priorities/Key Committee Issues**

11:10 **Old Business**

Matrix Update
 Mapping Status
 Hofmann Forest Status
 Strategic Plan update
 By-laws revision update

11:50 **New Business**

12:30 **Other Business**

1:00 **Adjourn**