



The June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the APG Retiree Council was called to order at 9:32am by Chairman Joe Traino. Seven members were present constituting a quorum to conduct business.

Mr. Yoakum reported on the 2010 RAD Day Guest Speaker invite. VA Assistant Secretary Tammy Duckworth has been formally invited to be the guest speaker. Should she be unable to schedule the event, Maryland National Guard Adjutant General Jim Atkins will be invited.

Mr. Zalusky reported the results of the election for next year's APG Retiree Council Chair and Co-Chair. Mr. Laughton was selected as Chair and Mr. Yoakum was selected as Co-Chair. Their terms of office will begin on RAD Day, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2010. Mr. Traino will notify the Garrison Commander so that the proper appointment memorandum can be prepared.

Mr. Traino discussed funding of RAD Day guest speaker gift and take-away trinket. It was decided that a rubber bottle opener will be the trinket, with a reference to the RAD Day and APG Retiree web site printed on it. Mr. Traino will contact USFHP concerning their financial sponsorship of the trinket. Mr. Kreiner will contact the local MOAA chapter concerning the sponsorship of the guest speaker gift. Mr. Yoakum will ensure the guest speaker gift is appropriately engraved for the occasion.

Mr. Zalusky gave a report on the progress of the Council By-Laws. He will send the by-laws to Mrs. Dettwiler for command signatures and to the entire council after finalization.

Mr. Yoakum presented the web site statistics for the first six months of the calendar year 2010.

Mr. Kreiner requested that the council look into providing calling cards (like business cards) with the APG Retiree logo and web site on it for use by council members as they talk up the council, as well as leaving business cards at the commissary, pharmacy and exchanges.

Mr. Lint discussed the Yahoo Group he constructed for APG Retirees. He stated that the list server is a push method of putting out information, as opposed to the web site, which is a pull system. With over 10,000 military retirees in the Harford and Cecil county areas, and over 46,000 military retirees in the state, the potential for use is great. A link to the group will be placed on the APG Retiree web site. If anyone has content that they want to send out, contact Mr. Lint.

RAD planning was discussed. The Rec Center is reserved for both Friday and Saturday in October. There are flags for the podium provided depending on the guest speaker. The DOIM will be contacted for sound system support, to include music. The flyer and program will be developed as soon as the guest speaker is confirmed. We will advertise in the APG News. There will be flyers at the commissary, PX, and Kirk Clinic. Banners will be prepared and electronic billboards will be programmed—Mr. Zalusky will coordinate. Vendors will be contacted by Mr. Laughton. Mr. Kreiner will provide a written and oral legislative update. Mr. Yoakum will prepare a handout to be distributed at the RAD Day concerning the web site and Yahoo Group. Mr. Zalusky will also arrange for the Marine Detachment or Youth Challenge to provide manpower for set up, clean up, and escorts. Bottled water, coffee, condiments, etc will be provided by Mr. Traino. Mr. Laughton will coordinate for food. Mr. Zalusky will coordinate the dining facility.

The council meeting was adjourned at 10:54am, and the next council meeting will be held on Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.

Present at the meeting: Mr. Traino, Mr. Zalusky, Mr. Laughton, Mr. Yoakum, Mr. Kreiner, Mr. Lint, Mr. Herzberger, and Mr. Hawkins participated via teleconference.