

**Fort Knox Chapter, AUSA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
10 August 2005**

ATTENDANCE

See attached roster. Chapter President Larry Hawkins called the meeting to order at 1210 hours.

Introductions: COL Mark Needham-Garrison CDR, LTC Brian Maddox-XO, 1ATB, Bob Freeman-TN-KY Chapter, T.C. Freeman-President AUSA 2nd Region, Carlos Benavidez-Waddell & Reid.

MINUTES AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

There were 7 military and 20 civilians for a total of 27 present at the 10 August 2005 Executive Council Meeting. The minutes of the July 2005 Meeting were submitted and approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Val Hicks presented the Treasurer's Report for July 2005. She noted that a change on page 2 from \$93 to \$83 should be made but that it wouldn't change totals. With this change and the appropriate motions the report was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS – A card was received from the family of Life Member, MAJ (Ret) Ike Doane, thanking the chapter for the flowers sent to the funeral Home.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AWARDS

Bob Roush reported that program was on target and on budget.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Don Devine drew the attention of all present to the membership report contained in the agenda packet. As could be seen, our numbers continue to spiral downward with a net loss over the past month of 23. If we expect to grow, we need to collectively recruit new members. Ruff Warren brought up disagreement between chapter and national as pertains to EOM Jun 2005 membership total versus goal. The chapter believes it surpassed goal whereas national says "no". TC Freeman said she would run this issue to ground and get back with the chapter.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

MG Bill Barron told those present that only 13 days remain until the BRAC Commission votes on the BRAC recommendations. CORE and KCMA still have work to do regarding the Hospital, the Naval Weapons Facility and possibly the Patton Museum. There is still a lot to be done to prepare for the execution of BRAC recommendations.

PUBLICITY

Rick reported that the summer newsletter was on the street and that we have had many good comments on it's content. If you feel we haven't properly represented a portion of our membership in the newsletter it's because of a lack of material given to the editor. It's not too early to start thinking about the autumn newsletter. If you have anything you think would be appropriate for the newsletter please forward to Rick, preferably via email.

PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

*****Louisville Subchapter Meeting.** Maryse said it would be held on Monday, September 19th at the Slugger Museum and that Rep. Ann Northup would be the speaker. She also reported that along with Bill Ball a great website has been created, KYVCC, to support the new Veteran's Cemetery. A link will be included to allow visitors to make contributions. Larry and Val will work together to set up a separate bank account so there won't be any difficulty telling what the monies are for.

***** Sep 2005 EC Meeting.** All agreed that a quiet place was needed for future meetings. Sep 2005 meeting location will be changed from Fiddlers to another location within the Leaders Club TBD.

*****Nominating Committee.** Larry announced that the nominating had unanimously nominated Randy Acton as President Elect. This recommendation will be presented to the membership at the next GMM for a vote. The GMM will likely be mid September at the State Theater.

*****Operation Slugger.** Roger Stradley reported that 120 kits have been assembled and that there are extra pieces to assemble more kits but that we are in need of more gloves. We can get additional gloves from Louisville Slugger at a very nominal cost. There was discussion about how the kits will get to Iraq and it was suggested that perhaps they should be sent with deploying units. Roger will work this out.

*****Annual Meeting.** Ruff Warren stated that because the chapter qualified for the President's Award the chapter would be given an additional 5 rooms bringing the total to 14. He noted also however that all but 3 are available, as the others have all been assigned. Also, he said that accommodations could be obtained at about half the price of the Renaissance and to contact him for hotel

information. Lastly, he said that we needed to determine how many soldiers we would be taking to the Meeting and how transportation, lodging, per diem, etc. costs would be handled. Don Devine indicated that 21 soldiers is the goal subject to the availability of funding and that the Post CSM is trying to identify potential attendees. Don added that he was in the process of raising soldier support funding.

OTHER BUSINESS - None

SUB-CHAPTER REPORTS

1ATB: Larry Hawkins advised that he was attempting to identify a new subchapter VP

16th CAV: Larry advised that he had appointed Steve Willett as VP and thanked Gene Gudenkauf for his outstanding service over the past few years.

USAREC: No report

Garrison: No report

Retiree/Veteran Affairs: Don Devine talked about the Retiree Open House how our Chapter would play a much bigger role than it has ever played in the past. He said he thought attendance might double this year to over 4,000.

Roger Stradley talked about the “Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business Expo” that will be held at the Patton Museum on the 17th beginning at 8:00 am. He emphasized that you don’t have to be a disabled Vet with some disability rating to qualify for assistance. A similar expo had been held at Ft. Campbell with mass interest

COMMAND GROUP: No report.

ADJOURN. There being no further business, Chapter President Larry Hawkins adjourned the meeting with appropriate motions at about 1315 hours.

Our next meeting will be held on 11 September 2005 at the Fort Knox Leader’s Club.


Rick Lewis
Chapter Secretary.

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ATTENDANCE ROSTER

1 Acton, Randy	Multichannel Consultants	737-6830
2 Armstrong, COL Keith	USAARMC	624-5774
3 Ball, Bill	Bedrock	351-8043
4 Barron, MG[R] Bill	CORE	765-5880
5 Benavidez, Carlos	Waddell & Reed	877-412-8818
6 Brown, CSM Wilbert T	MEDDAC	624-9933
7 Davis, CSM Gary	Garrison CSM	624-2749
8 Devine, CSM (R) Don	VP Membership	351-5462
9 Finnegan, COL Rene	CoS USAREC	626-0592
10 Freeman, Bob	TN-KY Chapter	270-886-3440
11 Freeman, T.C.	President, AUSA 2nd Region	270-885-1212
12 Fryer, CSM [R] Jake	United Defense	624-5741
13 Gold, COL Russ	CoS	624-1101
14 Hawkins, Larry	President - FFSB	765-2134
15 Hicks, Ms. Valerie	Treasurer/DENTAC	624-6284
16 Maddox, LTC Brian	1ATB	624-4066
17 King, Maryse	Waddell & Reed	877-412-8818
18 Lewis, Mr. Rick	P/P-Sec. / VP A. Arnold Moving	737-7088
19 London, Daniel	Cong. Lewis' Field Office	765-4360
20 Martinez, Tammy	Pioneer Services	352-5161
21 Needham, COL Mark	CDR Garrison	624-2749
22 Ridgley, Steven	Waddell & Reed	877-412-8818
23 Roush, LTC [R] Bob	P/P-VP Awards/Ft Knox Fed. Credit Union	942-0254
24 Shaffery, Ms Connie	PAO	624-4704
25 Stradley, CSM [R] Roger	P/P - Pres. Bedrock	351-8043
26 Tobias, CSM (R) Walter	Armed Forces Bank	942-5315
27 Warren, LTC (R) Ruff	AUSA State President	351-1900

20 Civilians

7 Military