

# MTDA Executive Committee Meeting November 10, 2014

**Chamber Video Conference Center** 

## ALLIANCE MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Weissman Len Watkins Steve Grooms Steve Malicott

Joe Briggs Owen Robinson John Faulkner

## **ALLIANCE GUESTS:**

Robin Baker

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the October 6, 2014 Minutes be approved as distributed.
Motion carries.

## **FEDERAL DELEGATION UPDATES:**

A. New Senator, New Representative

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A. Reviewed September Financials
  - 1. Check Balance: \$26,478.48/ Money Market: \$40.000.48/ BASE Funds: \$88,908.54
- Motion was made and seconded to accept the September Financials as presented. Motion carries.
  BUSINESS:

## Trip Reports:

- I. Planning
  - A. Meeting with Col Wilcox still pending scheduling.
  - B. Commander's Conference Global Strike Challenge was attended last week.
    - 1. Met Secretary of the Air Force Deborah James
    - 2. General Kowalski was given the Order of the Sword Award.
  - C. Annual Nuclear Summit is coming up in February 2015 and will combine with a DC Trip
    - 1.  $17^{th} 20^{th}$  need travel days February  $16^{th}$  &  $21^{st}$  will be travel days pending review of the agenda.
  - D. ADC Conference Monterey, CA March 2015
  - E. Other Potential Trips:
    - 1. Air Force Engineer Center in San Antonio
      - a. Trip currently on hold. May not need to attend. More information to follow
    - 2. Strategic Deterrence Coalition at Whitman AFB
      - a. Trip details still forthcoming.
    - 3. STRATCOM with General Kowalski in the next 12 months.
- II. Update on Action Plans
  - A. Malmstrom (Missiles)
    - 1. County no updates at this time.

ACTION ITEM: Chamber Staff to send the Counties information who have paid to Joe Briggs for follow up.

- 2. P4 Discussion
  - a. Meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Civic Center.
- 3. Follow up on Helena Chamber Nothing new to report.

## B. MTANG

- 1. MILCON Update to be removed from Agenda as funding has been received and construction is beginning.
- 2. Letter was sent to the Governor and forwarded to MANG from Fort Belknap regarding flying in the Hayes MOA.
  - a. Previous F-15 pilots were aware of sensitive issues and/or locations on the reservation but aircraft from other bases are not..
  - b. Col Hronek met with the members of the community council of Fort Belknap to clarify issues.
- C. Annual Luncheon
  - 1. November 19th at the Airport Looking for more RSVPs
- D. Paid Position Nothing new to report, pending BRAC determination.
- E. Website Update:
  - 1. Is on...www.montanadefensealliance.org
  - 2. Need to update photos on the brochure to include current Federal Delegation and a Missile.

#### III. Other activities:

- A. Provided update to the City and City Commissioners during the work session last week.
- B. Provided an interview at KRTV at 5:55am to promote the annual luncheon.
- C. Met with Mary Keller Military Child Education Coalition would like to expand to higher education.
- D. Nominations for the Executive Committee
  - 1. A nominee was presented by the Chair to the Committee and contact will be made to determine availability and desire to serve on the MTDA Executive Committee for education.
- \* Motion was made and seconded to nominate the recommended individual to fill Lynda's position to be a member of the Executive Committee. Motion carries.

ACTION ITEM: Chamber Staff to send David MTDA Executive Committee Term list and Program of Work.

- 2. Discussion on other potential members to cover Veterans issues.
- 3. Send any potential nominees to David.

The next MTDA Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 1, 2014 at 3:00pm in the Chamber Video Conference Center.

Respectfully submitted, Roxy Perez