



Montana Defense Alliance
Monday, June 6, 2016
Chamber Video Conference Center

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Weissman Christy Hagler Joe Briggs Greg Doyon Jeff Milhollin Steve Grooms
Cheryl Ulmer Cari Kent Dan McLaughlin John Faulkner Len Watkins

COMMITTEE GUEST:

None Present

CHAMBER STAFF:

Brad Livingston
Lindsay Lalonde

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

☼ **Motion was made and seconded to approve the May 2, 2016 minutes. Motion carries.**

FEDERAL DELEGATION REPORT

A. Cari Kent reports from Senator Daine's Office:

1. Bill RE solution for DAR route goes into conference this week; DoD will determine best route
2. Admiral Haney will meet to discuss missile field
3. Supplementary materials are attached

B. Christy Hagler reports from Congressman Zinke's office: Congressman Zinke honored Montana veterans around state this past week in commemoration of Memorial Day & recognition for their service

GUARD REPORT:

A. Provided by Col Don Emerson – Not in attendance

TREASURERS REPORT:

- A. Expenses in line, however membership is down
- B. Judith Basin and Choteau are the only two counties that have paid
- C. Plan in place for David and Len to go over MTDA members, will begin next week

☼ **Motion was made and seconded to approve the April Financials as presented. Motion carries.**

BUSINESS:

- A. David and Len met regarding MTDA financials
- B. David met with Col. Allen on May 17th welcoming him to Great Falls
- C. Steve and Dave visited Texas with the Airforce Global Strike Command
 1. Had a great time attending the graduation for basic training
- D. Senator Tester's Chief of Staff, Jamie Wise, visited from D.C. & had dinner last week with some MTDA Exec

TRIP/ACTIVITY REPORTS:

- A. MTANG Family Picnic served up by MAC
 - 1. Several volunteers from MAC & MTDA committee volunteered their time

Planning:

- A. SDC (Strategic Deterrent Coalition) Symposium June 20-21st
 - 1. Steve Grooms will attend
- B. ADC in D.C. 19-22nd
 - 1. David and Greg will attend
- C. COSAF CoC in D. C. – 23-25th
 - 1. TBD

✿ **Motion was made and seconded to approve MTDA financial assistance as per David's request. Motion carries.**

- D. County Visits
 - 1. Work in Progress between Len and David
- E. June 24 retirement for General Welsh
- F. Chief of Staff Change of Command – Chief Goldfein likely candidate

UPDATE ON ACTION PLANS:

MALMSTROM

MTANG

OPEN DISCUSSION/FOLLOW-UPS:

- A. City Commission working group meeting June 7th 5:30 – 7 pm, all invited to join
 - a. David, Joe, John, and Greg to attend
 - b. JROTC: David has been in touch with Tom Moore, they are working on creating something for MTDA
 - c. MAC and Malmstrom Picnic will be on the 26th

The next MTDA Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11th, 2016 at 3:00 pm in the Chamber Video Conference Center.