

MINUTES OF THE FORT HOOD RETIREE COUNCIL MEETING

1. The 10 July 2008 meeting of the Fort Hood Retiree Council convened at 1200 hours at the Phantom Warrior Center, 761st & 37th Street, Fort Hood Texas.

2. Membership Attendance:

a. Members Present:

LTG (Ret) Palmer, Chairman	CSM (Ret) Minosky, Co-Chairman
MG (Ret) Meyer, Assoc. Member	COL (Ret) Somera, Member
COL (Ret) Portmann, Member	COL (Ret) Gauer, Member
LTC (Ret) Woodward, Member	CW3 (Ret) Hanger, Member
CSM (Ret) Kitterman, Member	CSM (Ret) King, Member
SGM (Ret) Lopez, Member	1SG (Ret) Fisher, Member
MSG (Ret) John Wood, Member	SFC (Ret) Evans-Quickley, Member
Mrs. Greathouse, (Widow) Member	

b. Members Absent:

COL (Ret) Oliver, Associate Member
SCPO (Ret) Lubasky

3. The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed the council members to the meeting. He also welcomed and introduced our newest member of the council: CSM (Ret) Elijah King.

Topics of discussion for this meeting:

- Discussion/selection on Nominations for Distinguished Retiree for 2008. Two nominations were discussed. COL (Ret) Gene Wentworth and SFC (Ret) Ron Taylor. Voting was conducted and COL (Ret) Gene Wentworth was selected to be the Distinguished Retiree for 2008. There was further discussion on SFC (Ret) Ron Taylor and his service to the local retirement community. It was decided that his nomination packet would be held over for next year's nominations.
- Discussion/selection of a new Retiree Council Name Tag. Ms. Waller presented mock up name tags and gave an overview of the name tags. The council voted on the name tag; the large name tag was selected as our new name tag with the new Army Retiree pin on it. Ms. Waller will place the order for the new name tags.
- There was discussion on the meeting place for the retiree council and it was decided that unless there were special circumstances the council would always meet at the Phantom Warrior Center, 761st & 37th Street on Fort Hood.
- Col (Ret) Somera and CSM (Ret) Minosky volunteered to attend the meeting on the 23rd of July 08 where the Retiree Council will be recognized for its support of the AER campaign.
- CSM Minosky briefed the council on the CSA Council Meeting he recently attended in Washington DC.
- Ms. Waller briefed on the Retiree Appreciation Day scheduled for 24 & 25 Oct. Highlights of her briefing:
 - The Commissary is doing a Breakfast for dinner Oct. 24th at 8:30 PM at the Clear Creek Commissary. This is free to the retirement community and there are prizes.

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- It looks like the flu shots will not be available by Retiree Day this year. When they become available there will be a media blitz by Fort Hood to get the word out and make it available to retirees. Ms. Waller is trying to work with the Health Care Community to make the Shingles shot available during retiree day. This will allow retirees a quick and easy way to get this shot.
- Retirees must RSVP to Ms. Waller for the Retiree Dinner.
- Retreat this year will be at 1600 on Friday Oct. 24th.
- CW3 (Ret) Hanger discussed Commissary highlights:
 - There is a Case Lot sale scheduled for the 26th, 27th & 28 July 2008.
 - Scanners seem to be working well at both Commissaries now.
 - Clear Creek Commissary is having a Breakfast for this year Retiree Appreciation Day on Oct. 24th at 8:30 PM. If you plan to attend please RSVP to 254-287-5943 x232 or x200 not later than 1 Oct 2008. You can also email your RSVP to betty.carey@deca.mil or mary.kight1@deca.mil.
- LTC (Ret) Woodward passed out letters to each member of the council from the Director of Programs at the Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce. He asked that Council Members assist him in gathering door prizes for this year's Retiree Appreciation Dinner.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 14:00.


LTG (Ret) DAVE PALMER
Chairman
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30 Jul 08

Approved/Disapproved


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Chief of Staff