

Missouri National Guard Association Retiree Council Minutes
Saturday July 16, 2022

The meeting of the Missouri National Guard Retiree Council was held in the Thompson Hall at Ike Skelton Training Site, Jefferson City MO. on July 16, 2022 with the following retirees and interested parties in attendance physically and several attending utilizing VTC option.

Attendees:

Bob Julius	Randy Rodenberg
Gaila Sullivan VTC	Jim Dunn VTC
Alan Garrison	Dan Hatcher
Dave Riley	Dave Simons (JB RAO)
John Lewis (RSO)	Jack Argent
Todd Henderson (RSO)	Donal Firebaugh

Bob Julius called the meeting to order at 1200 Hours and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation was given by John Lewis.
Roll Call of Council members, Quorum was verified

Minutes:

Review of the April 2022 minutes.
Minutes were approved with corrections

Guest/s

Larry Crowder (MONGA Director)
James Kesterson (MONGA Assistant)

New Members

Michael (Steve) S. McQueen (North East), William Johnson (Central) and Gary Gilmore (Southwest) were voted in as new members of the council. Motion to accept new council members, was made by Alan Garrison and Seconded Randy Rodenberg. Motioned passed.

The same motion was made to have Gary Gilmore Council Chaplain.

Legislative Updates:

HJR 116 (Schnelting) – Creates the Missouri Department of the National Guard- UP-DATE Currently bill, sets with the Secretary of State office awaiting publishing for the 2022 November ballot

Old Business:

RSO/MONGRC table cloths are waiting funding to be released, which seems to be slow. They are smaller than the ones we currently have. They will fit an 8ft table.

Committee Reports:

Alan Garrison reminded the council that before communicating with the TAG ensures council information has been vetted thru the Retiree council. Bob Julius said this practice will be inserted in SOP by October meeting.

RAD Committee:

Alan, will provide more information to come after our zoom meeting. Thursday July 21st or Friday 22 suggested zoom meeting dates.

Jim Dunn reminded the council that the Southwest region council (Hound Dogs) still had \$98.92 that belongs to the retiree council that could be utilized for RAD expenses. Utilization of these funds would close the account. Jim Dunn made motion to use funds for the RAD. Randy Rodenberg seconded. Motion approved.

New Business:

RAD:

Alan Garrison will create a Save the Date flyer about the Annual MONGA Conference

Nomination & Election of Council Members:

Chairman – Randy Rodenberg
Vice Chairman – Steve McQueen
Secretary – Gaila Sullivan
Parliamentarian – Alan Garrison
Chaplain – Gary Gilmore

RSO:

Todd Henderson presented his newly developed Power Point Air National Guard Retirement. The presentation was well received by the council. Todd said that it was a work in progress and he would like any input from the council. Todd will forward the Power Point to council.

John Lewis reported his office receive an invitation to participate in the Fort Leonard Wood RAD on September 10 2022. The RSO office had manned a table in the past. John wanted to know if the council would be interested in participating. Council declined.

Because of budget restraints the Final Formation which held three times a year no longer be held in St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield. It will be held virtually at MONG Head Quarters, Jefferson City, MO.

Regional Updates:

West:

No Report

Northwest:

Randy reported that the St Joseph retiree chapter held quarterly meeting July 16th. Guest speaker Brad Haggard, Cameron Veteran's Home new administrator Neither Randy or Gaila were not able to attend.

Randy and Gaila are working on a date possibly spring of 2023 to have VA visit the St Joseph Wing

Southwest:

Jim reported on the formally rename of the Missouri National Guard's 'Joplin Armory' to the '**Sgt. Robert Wayne Crow Jr. Armory.**' Sgt. Robert Wayne Crow, 42, was a member of the Missouri National Guard. He served two combat deployments with the 203rd Engineer Battalion.

Jim also stated that the 203rd Hound Dogs donated to 3 different local charities \$7,000.00.

- 1) Habitat for Humanity - \$3,000.00
- 2) Charlie 22 Outdoor - \$3,000.00
- 3) Quest Compress - \$1,000.00

They have also established a We Care fund to assist soldiers, active or retired that may need assistance.

Jim suggested that the Chairman sit in front of the speaker during meetings.

Central:

New regional member so no report for now.

East:

Held a family day for the 35th MP BDE, with a brunch provided and Amazon items from H.E.R.O.E.S. Care. We receive financial assistance from a local church for the cost of the brunch.

Dave Simons (Jefferson Bks. RAO) Teamed up with Todd Henderson to give a retirement briefing to the 157th AOG. 18 Attendees. Several attendees gave their email addresses to be able to receive the RAO Newswire.

The JB RAO will have an informational table at the 157th AOG Family Day on September 12, 2022.

Northeast:

Alan had his new members to introduce themselves, and tell a little about themselves.

Southeast:

Not much going on.

John Lewis offered to attend their next meeting.

Thanks to Todd Henderson for providing the great Bar-B-Que lunch.

Motion to Adjourn:**Benediction:**

John Lewis

Adjourned

1419 Hours