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MEMORANDUM FOR Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, ATTN: IMBE-MWA, Fort Benning, GA 31905

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Fort Benning Garrison Community Activities and Resources Exchange Meeting, 6 November 2018

1. Subject minutes are approved/disapproved.

2. Point of contact for this action is Jessica Horton, DFMWR, ACS, AVC Program Manager, 706-545-3016.

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Garrison Commander

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- 1. The Fort Benning Garrison Community Activities and Resources Exchange (CARE) Meeting convened at 0930, 6 Nov 18 at Army Community Service, Building 7.
- 2. Membership Present or Represented:

COL Clinton Cox Alvin D. Gelineau LTC Josh McCully COL Larry McCord Joe Gandara Veronica Wright Rutchell Williams

CH (COL) Robert Hart

Garrison Commander

Director of Family and MWR

Chief, Department of Emergency Services (DES)

Commander, MEDDAC

Community Director, Villages of Benning

Store Secretary, Defense Commissary Activity General Manager, Army & Air Force Exchange

Service

MCoE and Garrison Chaplain

3. The CARE panel and briefers provide valuable information for leaders to take back and share with unit members. The panel and briefers are available after the meeting to answer questions. Topic for this month's CARE meeting is School and Education Resources.

4. Community Forum

- a. Phenix City Board of Education Mr. Joe Blevins spoke on behalf of Mr. Randy Wilkes. Mr. Wilkes has been the Superintendent for 3 years. Presented a video showing the benefits offered in their district. Beginning 4 years ago, their schools focused strongly on STEM skills at all grade levels. Promoted the dual enrollment program that allows high school students to earn high school and college credit.
- b. Russell County Ms. Tammy Barnes spoke on behalf of Dr. Brenda Coley. Reviewed district mission, vision, and theme. Discussed four goals of the district, emphasizing safety and the importance of relationships with students. District added Safety Director and K-5 Curriculum Director to the staff this year. Requested more parent involvement to support education goals.

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- c. Muscogee County School District (MCSD) Ms. Darlene Register spoke on behalf of Dr. David Lewis. The MCSD is one of the largest districts in Georgia. Graduation rate has improved over the last 5 years. Gave vision and mission of the district. Discussed school assignments, extracurricular, and magnet programs. Magnet school information is in handouts.
- d. Chattahoochee County Dr. Tabatha Walton spoke on behalf of Dr. David McCurry. Shared mission of Chattco. Discussed increase in school scores and their importance in the small Chattco district. Stated the ongoing efforts of administration to improve procedures. Stated availability of Chattco to Fort Benning residents. Bus system concerns from last year are resolved.
- e. Fort Benning DoDEA Superintendent Dr. Lisa Coleman stated all school principals and her office are available for any school related concerns. White and Stowers Elementary Schools at the national and state level for their accomplishments. The next school board meeting is 28 Nov at McBride Elementary.
- f. Tutor.com Julie Yerkes spoke on behalf of Kara Froman. Tutor.com offers free online, anonymous, 24-hour, individual support to K-12 students of Active Duty Soldiers or activated Guard or Reserves. Can also assist with resume writing, essay writing, ASVAB, SAT, and ACT prep.
- g. Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Nicole Heller stated that all FY18 AFAP issues are resolved. The AFAP status book will be an enclosure to the CARE minutes. The next AFAP Conference is 26-28 Feb. Anyone interested in participating as a delegate can contact Ms. Heller.

5. Panel Updates

- a. DES -- LTC McCully briefed Fire, Safety and Home Security. Stated Christmas trees are a source of fires so care for them with that in mind. Stated many thieves take advantage of packages by doors and visible gifts inside house. Military Police can perform courtesy checks while you are out of town, stop by MP station to sign up.
- b. Martin Army Community Hospital COL McCord announced LTG West, Army Surgeon General, will hold a town hall 8 Nov 1300-1400 at Building 4, Marshall Auditorium. Topics: DHA and future of Army medical care. Flu shots are available. More information enclosed. Noshows continue to be an issue; anyone who missed two appointments this year will receive a notice by mail.
- c. Villages of Benning Mr. Gandara reported that the Villages are using a system called Active Building to submit and track work orders. This is for routine work continue to submit urgent and emergency requests through the phone line. Two upcoming events: 27 Nov ornament making and 14 Dec Winter Wonderland event.

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- d. Defense Commissary Activity Ms. Veronica Wright stated the Commissary's inside bathrooms are open again. There is no official date for renovation completion. Check sales on the website www.commissaries.com.
- e. Army & Air Force Exchange Service— Ms. Rutchel Williams stated Exchange holiday hours are starting this weekend. For more information visit www.aafes.com
- f. MCoE and Garrison Chaplain CH (COL) Hart stated there is a special service at the National Infantry Museum 11 Nov at 1000 honoring the 100th Anniversary of World War One Armistice Day. The holiday schedule of services is on the Chaplain's website.
- g. Directorate of Family and Morale, Recreation, and Welfare (DFMWR) Mr. Gelineau stated there is a new golf pro, Mr. John Fesperman, who is working hard to improve the course and engage Fort Benning in the game. The Fox NFL Tailgate Party is 11 Nov at York Field. The entire month of November, car washes at MWR locations are \$1. DFMWR is collaborating with the Chapel for Santa at Riverside, 6 Dec 1700. New 5K Fun Run series starts 8 Dec. For more information visit www.benning.armymwr.com.
- h. Garrison Commander COL Cox welcomed the 1st SFAB home. Reiterated importance of upcoming town halls, including LTG West's on 8 Nov. Town hall with Secretary of the Army on 16 Nov 1130, Building 4, Marshall Auditorium. Lead based paint town hall on 25 Jan 1030, Building 4, Fenty Auditorium.
- 4. COL Cox adjourned the meeting at 1043. The next CARE meeting is 4 Dec 18, 0930-1030, Building 7.

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