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IMBE-MWR (215)

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

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Installation Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Meeting

- 1. Minutes from the July 2019 Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Meetings (enclosed) are approved/disapproved.
- 2. POC: Maureen Collars, Community Recreation Division, DFMWR, 706-527-1597.

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CSM, USA

Garrison Command Sergeant Major

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Each Member

IMBE-MWR (215) 31 July 2019

MEMORANDUM FOR Garrison CSM, Fort Benning, Georgia

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Installation Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Meeting

1. The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) meeting convened at 1500, on 31 Jul 2019, at the Main Post Rec Center.

2. Attendance:

a. BOSS representatives present or represented

SPC Roberts, Tyler

SGT Smith, Derek

SPC Aldapa, Mark

SPC Cline, Peter

SFC Thompson, Glen

SGT Redman, Gabriel

199th IN BDE

1-81 AR

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316th CAV

b. BOSS representatives absent or not represented

75th Ranger Regiment MEDDAC 198th IN BDE 1-507th PIR WHINSEC ARTB SFAB 5th RTB MARINE DET 2-11 IBOLC 209th MP Det Task Force 1-28

- c. Other persons attending
 - 1) None
- 3. Old Business:
 - a. Volunteer opportunity at the Recreation shooting Complex for the youth Archery Clinic 12 July was a success, we had about 7 volunteers to help set up and tear down and also assist with the archery lessons.

- b. Fort Benning Independence Day Celebration 29 June 2019. BOSS Volunteers entered into a drawing to win a PS4 (sponsored by USAA). Volunteers can maximize their chances to win each time they volunteer at BOSS events June through October. We had over 20 volunteers at this event.
- c. BOSS Conference 2019 took place July 22-26 in Indianapolis, IN. The MWR BOSS Advisor, Senior Military Advisor (CSM), and BDE BOSS Rep from 198th attended.

4. New Business:

a. Quality of Life Issues:

- (1) Several issues of A/C being out throughout the barracks, which is causing an increase of mold growth. Bldg 5123, 5124, 5125, and 5130 all reported mold issues to the barracks manager. Incidents of personal items ruined because of this ongoing issue.
- (2) A 3-81 reports there is no mail system available and mail is continuously being returned to sender as a result of the non-existing system.
- (3) Transportation on the base is too expensive and there is no Uber access. It was reported that the taxi companies are charging all passengers the same rate even when going to the same drop off location, the small extra person fee is not being offered. The suggestion was made to allow vetted Military personnel whom can access the base the opportunity to offer Uber services on the base.

b. Discussion:

- MWR BOSS Advisor discussed the need to fill open council positions. All
 positions are currently vacant and need to be filled. President, Vice President, &
 Secretary.
- 2) Discussion on ideas brought back from the BOSS Conference 2019 July 22-26 in Indianapolis, IN.
- 3) BOSS representatives discussed the calendar of events for activities, community service, and Life skills for the year to be discussed with MWR marketing and sponsorship department.
- 4) MWR BOSS Advisor discussed the Life is Better at Benning and Be strong Tour and outlined the lists of events for the BOSS cooking competition to take place and the need for 24 total participants in the competition.
- c. Upcoming Events: President announced the following events:
 - 1) Grape Stomp in Arlington Ga 3 Aug 2019.
 - 2) LT Dan Band at Whetherby Field 3 Aug 2019

- 3) Life is Better at Benning Expo and the Be Strong Tour 9-10 Aug
- 4) Pepsi Gulf Coast Jam 30 Aug-1 Sep 2019

d. Voting:

Voted YES to have BOSS meetings bi-monthly.

Voted NO to providing linen to the 198 OSUT training Soldiers at their transition from basic.

Voted YES to having an app to register for events and to track participation Voted YES to spend the \$5,000 for BOSS Swag.

The meeting adjourned at 1600 and the next one is scheduled for 14 Aug 2019, 1500 at Main Post Rec Center, Building 2784

Fort Benning MWR BOSS Advisor