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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 12 SEPTEMBER 2007

Encl: (1) MWR Activity Updates

Ref: (a) NAVPGSCOLINST 1700.2B

1. In accordance with reference (a), the MWR Advisory Board Meeting commenced at 1203 on Wednesday, 12 September 2007, in the Del Monte Room, Herrmann Hall, Naval Postgraduate School (NPS).

2. Members and Guests Present.

Name	Title/Organization	Email Address
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3. Ms. Ryan asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. CDR Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes, and Mr. Jepsen seconded.

4. Ms. Ryan asked all those present to each introduce themselves to the board.

5. Old Business.

a. Ms. Ryan, Marina. The marina is temporarily closed. The contract we had with the marina concessionaire has been terminated. Mr. Dausen, Director of Base Operations Support, has been in discussions with California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB). They are working towards establishing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to have CSUMB take over the management of the sailing program; this would be mutually beneficial to both institutions. Our goal is to be able to provide reduced rental rates to our NPS military members in exchange for allowing CSUMB access to our slips. We are also hoping to rejuvenate the NPS Sailing Association (NPSSA) which has been inactive. We need some enthusiastic staff and students to get NPSSA operating so they can benefit from CSUMB operating our marina.

6. Ms. Rogers, NEX.

a. Provided current NEX sales flyers.

b. Introduced Ms. McArthur, the new supervisor of the La Mesa Mini Mart.

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c. The Autoport is now open on Saturdays for quick lube and tire services from 0830 to 1230.

7. Ms. Ryan, MWR Activity Updates.

a. Staff and Faculty Appreciation BBQ. In cooperation with NPS, Dean of Students and MWR, we are providing a NPS Student, Staff and Faculty Appreciation Day BBQ on the Herrmann Hall lawn next Tuesday, 18 September, from 1130 to 1300. It is being held to celebrate the arrival of our new students and to show appreciation for all our NPS students, staff and faculty.

8. Ms. Ryan, MWR Facilities.

a. Golf Course Renovation Project. The request for proposal has been sent to the potential bidders. Some have been returned to us, and they all have exceeded the government cost estimate for the project. We are very fortunate that we have a lot of support from Commander, Navy Region Southwest (CNRS); they have added \$1.5M dollars to the project. We revised the scope of work slightly; and the request for proposal has been sent out again to all the potential bidders. To assist them in developing their proposals, we have scheduled a pre-proposal conference tomorrow with the potential bidders so they can view the sight, and ask questions about what we need. After proposals are returned, a technical evaluation board will examine them and then award the contract. We are anticipating that the project will begin in April 2008.

The project is going to be a complete renovation of the golf course; all 18 holes. The course will close down for approximately 10 months. The project includes expanding and replacing the greens, new tee boxes, new turf, new cart paths and replacing and expanding the irrigation system. Our current irrigation system is over 20 years old and it is not giving us the turf coverage that we need. The snack bar and golf pro shop will be open during the renovation.

b. RV Campground Upgrade Project. We are in the process of developing the whole scope of work of the project. We just realized that we don't have enough money for the project; so again, CNRSW is supporting us by providing an additional \$100K dollars. The project includes paving the roads, leveling and paving the sites, upgrading the electrical system, and installing Internet access.

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(1) Mr. Jepsen added. Also, sewage service will be added to eight sites so that they will become full-service sites.

(2) MAJ Benivegna asked. There are several students that reside at the RV campground. Will the RV campground project be completed in partial steps, or all at once? Will all the residents be required to move out?

(3) Mr. Jepsen replied. All of the RV residents will be required to vacate and they have already been notified. They will either park the RV's or find another site to reside.

c. El Prado Dining Room Renovation Project. We are estimating that the project will be completed by the first part of December. We had a problem with the carpet that was installed; it was not what had actually been ordered. So now the company is required to remake a custom colored carpet and install it. Also, right now we are in the process of installing a Point of Sale system in the El Prado Dining Room. They are also waiting on several new doors and a panel fold wall that will be installed.

9. New business.

a. Ms. Ryan, MWR. Monday Night Football Parties. Ms. Molitor, our new Community Activities & Liberty Manager, has begun to offer Monday Night Football Parties at the BEQ. We had our first party this past Monday; 15 BEQ residents attended the event. Please get the word to all our enlisted members about this event. Now that Ms. Molitor is here, we will be able to resume the Liberty Tour Program and Community Activity Events. We have begun planning for the Army/Navy events, the up-coming Halloween Party and Turkey Bowling event.

(1) Ms. Molitor added. I'm working on new ideas for different programs; I'd really like to keep them in MWR. If anyone is interested in having tournaments or other similar events for the single sailors, please let me know. I'm very interested in working with you.

b. Mr. Rowley, MOAA. I'd like to suggest that you hold a New Year's Eve party in the El Prado Dining Room if possible; it would make an ideal location and would be a great opportunity to present the newly renovated dining room. I've been to numerous New Year's Eve parties at NPS, and the ballroom is usually

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colder during that time of the year. It causes some of the women, because of their style of dresses, to be uncomfortably cold. It was always more fun in the El Prado Dining Room; it's smaller and more intimate.

c. Ms. Ryan, MWR.

(1) Trident Room Dinner Service. We are now offering Saturday and Sunday dinner service in the Trident Room from 1600 to 2100. This is a new service that we implemented as of last weekend. It is a result of feedback for additional food service we received from many of our patrons; especially from the additional guests staying in the VQ. We are also considering offering food service earlier in the day, such as breakfast.

(2) Navy Ball. The Navy Ball will be held on Saturday, 13 October, in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom. The tickets will be on sale through the NPS Internet Website beginning Monday, 17 September.

d. Ms. Ikstrums, Child and Youth Services. Soccer season is now underway. We have 260 youth playing this year. We received help from the fitness center and through our partnership with the Presidio. We could not have done it without their support.

e. Ms. Pilnick, Eagle's Eye Gallery. We're looking forward to the El Prado Dining Room reopening; it will help to increase our exposure. We also have just re-hung some new work, so please stop by our gallery to take a look.

f. Mr. Principato, FNMOC.

(1) We have tennis and basketball courts at FNMOC. The tennis courts need to be resurfaced. How do we get assistance through MWR to resurface the courts?

(a) Ms. Ryan replied. Actually, we have already identified and developed a cost estimate to re-surface those courts. I have it on our project list, but currently it remains unfunded. It would help if you can get the support of your Officer in Charge (OIC) or Commanding Officer (CO) to move this project forward with Mr. Dausen, our Base Operations Support Director. If you can lobby within your command to make this one of your CO's higher priorities, then they will take a serious look at getting it funded. It will remain on my MWR project

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list that I submit to CNIC and CNRSW every year for funding consideration.

(b) Mr. Principato asked. We are planning to hold a Christmas party. Are there any facilities at NPS where we can hold our party?

(c) Ms. Ryan replied. Yes, we have a complete catering program and beautiful banquet rooms that you could use for your holiday party. You can set up an appointment with our Catering Sales Manager, Ms. Leiva, who can assist you with your plans.

g. MAJ Benivegna, PSC. Next week will be finals week for the students, and graduation will be on Friday, 21 September.

(1) Ms. Ryan added. The NPS Foundation will be holding a new alumni reception on Thursday, 20 September, in the Trident Room. It will be a great way for the new alumni to become members of the NPS Foundation. It will be a very nice event, so please encourage our students to attend.

h. Mr. Jepsen, Golf Course/RV Park.

(1) The rain has been minimal lately, so there are some brown spots on our greens. The new irrigation system will be very helpful to keep our greens better maintained.

(2) The Golf Course Club House is a very nice option to hold a holiday party.

(3) The hours of our food and beverage services will be limited during the renovation project.

(4) We plan to begin the RV Park Upgrade Project very soon after the graduation on Friday, 14 December. We will keep the RV Park patrons, continually informed of the status.

(a) SCPO Davidson asked. Do those who are residing at the RV Park have an option to stay in the VQ and put their RV in storage? That would be a comparable rate to the RV Park. The public RV parks in the local area are expensive.

(b) Ms. Ryan replied. We could offer space available. Tonight our VQ operation is completely booked.

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i. Mr. Rowley, MOAA. The MOAA meets monthly on the third Thursday from September through May. Occasionally we hold dinner or luncheon meetings here at NPS. We would like to hold more of our functions here at NPS. The local chapter of the Navy League meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. These two groups are the main core of getting NPS public support in the local community.

10. With no other items from the members, Ms. Ryan thanked everyone for attending and providing their feedback. Meeting adjourned at 1235. The next meeting is scheduled on **Wednesday, 7 November 2007, at 1200 noon** in the La Novia Room, Herrmann Hall, NPS. NPS and tenant commands are invited to send a representative.



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