

MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION
NAVAL SUPPORT DETACHMENT MONTEREY
1 UNIVERSITY CIRCLE
MONTEREY, CA 93943-5035

5420/8
Code 225
27 Oct 08

From: Quality of Life Director
To: Distribution

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION (MWR)
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

Ref: (a) NSDMINST 1700.2

1. In accordance with reference (a), the MWR Advisory Board Meeting commenced at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 3 September 2008, in the La Novia Room, Herrmann Hall, Naval Postgraduate School (NPS).

2. Members and Guests Present.

Name	Title/Organization	Email Address
Megan Ryan	Quality of Life Director/ MWR	mdryan@nps.edu
Jenny Wallace	Recreation Director/MWR	jswallac@nps.edu
Robin Hudson	Acting Site Manager/Fleet & Family Support Center (FFSC)	rlhudson@nps.edu
Mary Lou Pilnick	Eagle's Eye Gallery	mlcortright@yahoo.com
CDR Mary Blankenship	Director of Programs/NPS	mblanken@nps.edu
Theresa Ikstrums	Child & Youth Programs (CYP) Director/MWR	tmikstru@nps.edu
LT Kevin Albertson	Student Services Officer/ Director of Student Ser- vices (DOSS)/NPS	kjalbert@nps.edu
Sam Jepsen	Golf Course/RV Campground Manager/Monterey Pines Golf Course/MWR	sbjepsen@nps.edu
Rowena Rogers	Department Manager/NEX	rowena_rogers@nexweb.org
Robert Rogers	Autoport Manager/NEX	robert_rogers@nexweb.org
GSCM Bret Westerman	Senior Enlisted Leader (SEL)/NPS	bdwester@nps.edu

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

PO1 Sean Soledad	Representative/Enlisted Recreation Committee (ERC)/NPS	sssoleda@nps.edu
Edgar Kloth	Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)	lored@comcast.net
Stephen Pohrivchak	Fitness & Sports Director/Monterey Bay Athletic Club (MBAC)/MWR	srpohriv@nps.edu
Beth Molitor	Community Activities/Liberty Manager/MWR	bamolito@nps.edu
MCCS Jacqueline Kiel	Public Affairs Officer/Public Affairs Office/NPS	jskiel@nps.edu

3. Ms. Ryan asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Ms. Pilnick made a motion to approve the minutes, and Ms. Wallace seconded.

4. Old Business.

a. MWR, Ms. Ryan.

(1) Club Del Monte Catering. At our last meeting, LCDR Rowley provided feedback from some of the smaller military organizations. These organizations are having difficulty affording the catering services of Club Del Monte. I had encouraged LCDR Rowley to ask them to contact us directly. We have been working with several of our regular customers to make it affordable for their organizations.

(2) Club Del Monte Dinner Service in the Trident Room. We have been continuing to monitor whether we can reopen the El Prado Dining Room in the evening for dinner. At this time, we are not certain that we should reopen the dining room, because of the significant cost for the additional staff and labor. We are open to patron feedback. When the Trident Room was very crowded, we have set up tables in the El Prado Dining Room to accommodate guests who desired a quieter atmosphere. Right now we are working to accommodate situations as they arise. We also have not addressed the issue of families with children patronizing the Trident Room for dinner, because this is the only location to eat dinner on base. This board is welcome to discuss this issue and to provide feedback.

(a) CDR Blankenship commented. Customers have been observing children at the bar in the Trident Room. In most

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

restaurants, children are not normally allowed to sit at the bar.

(b) Ms. Ryan responded. We do not allow children at the bar; they must be supervised by parents when they are in the Trident Room. I will remind our staff that children are not allowed at the bar. Parents are required to supervise their children while in the dining room; this is a safety issue.

(c) Ms. Pilnick asked. Is there an alternate room available where families with small children could eat dinner? Possibly the patrons can order and pick up their food from the Trident Room and bring it to the other dining location. They may not even require wait service, etc.

(d) Ms. Ryan responded. The Del Monte Room is always set up and we have made the El Prado Dining Room available on occasion. We will ask our staff to offer families one of these alternate locations to dine so that they will know it is available.

(1) MWR Programming for Enlisted Members and Families. At our last meeting, PO1 Soledad, representing ERC, asked if MWR could try to provide some programming for enlisted members and families.

(a) Ms. Molitor responded. We are still working on the programming, but we definitely plan to include family activities. Our Movies on the Lawn program in La Mesa Housing has been very successful with the families, and we have also had a good response from adults to the Movies on the Lawn shown on the Herrmann Hall lawn.

(2) Publicizing Golf Course Renovation Project and Status to NPS Staff. At our last meeting, LCDR Rowley suggested that we post a graphic in Herrmann Hall displaying an overview of the Golf Course Renovation Project. We have not done anything yet in Herrmann Hall, but this is a good idea and we would like to create something for displaying. Ongoing status of the renovation is being included in the Peacock Press.

5. MWR Activity Updates.

a. Golf Course/RV Campground, Mr. Jepsen.

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

(1) Golf Course Renovation Project. The golf course renovation project involves the contractor turning over fully completed holes in four-hole increments. Depending on the grow-in time of the greens, we hope to open the golf course by June 2009. The first four holes should be turned over to us next week. The lakes have been dramatically increased in size. The routing of the holes remains similar, but they have reversed the front and back nine. Most of the water we use for the greens is from the irrigation lakes.

(2) RV Campground. The RV Campground Renovation Project is scheduled to start 15 December, and will reopen approximately 1 May 2009. We noticed a decrease in our RV Park Campground patronage. The increase in gasoline prices has probably resulted in fewer travelers; although, we continue to stay busy during the weekends, and special events such as the Jazz Festival, Blues Festival, etc.

(a) Ms. Ryan commented. There has been interest to give priority to NPS students and faculty making reservations for the RV campground. The RV campground does its best to accommodate NPS students and faculty. We do recognize the importance of the NPS mission; that students and staff need temporary residences during PCS moves and temporary duty. However, we are not in the position to change the policy of the RV campground to provide priority to NPS students and staff over patrons using it for recreational use. RV campgrounds are primarily intended for recreational use. It could also jeopardize our ability to acquire non-appropriated funds (NAF) for future RV campground projects; it was constructed with MWR NAF dollars to be used for navy members' recreation. So we are not permitted to put policies into effect that would minimize the RV campground's recreational use, since it was constructed with recreation funds.

b. Recreation Services, Ms. Wallace.

(1) Introduction of Fitness and Sports Director. Ms. Wallace introduced the new Fitness and Sport Director, Mr. Steve Pohrivchak, who is from China Lake.

(2) Peacock Press. The October-December issue of the Peacock Press should be ready by mid-September. We would like to encourage our patrons to sign up to receive the Peacock Press electronically. Please email your requests to marketing@nps.edu.

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

(3) 1st Ever MWR Dog Walk. This is a brand new event and will be held on Saturday, 4 October, at the Lake Del Monte Trail.

c. Liberty Program, Ms. Molitor. We will be conducting a trip to San Francisco for Fleet Week on 11-12 October.

d. Sports and Fitness, Mr. Pohrivchak. We are getting ready to start our Fall season basketball, volleyball, and tennis leagues. Come by the MBAC to sign up.

e. ITT Office, Ms. Joseph.

(1) New tickets available at ITT include the Pier 39 Attraction Pass that allows you entrance to four different attractions (tickets must be used within seven days); and the IMAX Theater on Cannery Row (matinees, non-matinees, concerts and premium films).

(2) Disney Land ticket prices will be increasing soon. Right now they are offering a special on their Disney Land Hotels.

f. CYP, Ms. Ikstrums.

(1) The renovation of the baseball field in La Mesa Housing is currently in progress and is going very well. The improvement to the field is tremendous. Navy Region Southwest has been providing great support. The exterior of all the buildings have been completely renovated. The interior of the snack bar has been completely gutted and renovated. The sod has been laid and it is now in the grow-in stage. Before reopening the field, we still need to install the back boards, new fencing, new bleachers and a crushed granite walkway which will help keep down the dust.

(2) The opening day of our soccer recreation league will be on Saturday, 20 September; festivities and games are planned.

(3) We will be celebrating our Boys and Girls Club Day for Kids at the Tech Connection on Friday, 19 September. We have many activities planned for children of all ages.

6. FFSC, Ms. Hudson. For Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, we are scheduling the FFSC 2008 Domestic Violence

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

Awareness Workshop. We will post more information on the NPS Intranet when it is available.

7. NEX, Ms. Rogers. Ms. Rogers introduced the new NEX Autoport Manager, Mr. Robert Rogers. He has done a tremendous job in the short time that he has been here.

a. NEX Autoport, Mr. Rogers. From 8 - 17 September, we will be installing new pumps at the Autoport.

8. MWR Facilities, Ms. Ryan.

a. First Floor of Herrmann Hall Project. As part of preparations for the NPS Centennial, NPS is planning some renovation work of the first floor of Herrmann Hall. We have already begun work towards the renovation project plans; a design architect team from CNIC has begun the design concept of the layout of the first floor. The objective is to restore the first floor to the historical Hotel Del Monte's original luster and beauty. It would also serve as the portal to the university, so that when we have distinguished guests, they can be introduced to everything that is available on the campus. We are progressing well, but we have a very short timeframe to get this project completed. The project will affect the current Protocol Office, Visitor Quarters (VQ) front desk operation, ITT, and involve relocation of some different functions and office spaces.

b. Fitness Center Expansion. We have begun work on expansion of the fitness center, but we will probably get very little funding support for the project. Fitness Center MILCONS are not being funded at this time, but we have identified the need to have a larger fitness center and will continue to push this project.

c. Main Building VQ Renovation. We have started work on defining a scope of work and creating an architectural plan for renovating approximately 72 VQ rooms of the Herrmann Hall main building.

d. El Prado Dining Room. We have received some great feedback and renewed interest in the food service operation of the El Prado Dining Room. We have planned to keep the El Prado Dining open during the upcoming student break in December, so that there will be food service available for all newly reporting NPS students. The Café Del Monte will be closed during the break.

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

9. New Business.

a. ERC, PO1 Soledad. At this time, we are working with Ms. Molitor on plans for our Christmas party.

b. PAO, MCCS Kiel.

(1) Introduced the new NPS SEL, GSCM Westerman, who just arrived from Bremerton.

(2) Are NPS contracted employees authorized to attend MWR events?

(a) Ms. Ryan responded. We normally do allow contracted employees of NPS and its tenants to participate in MWR events on a space-available basis; it depends on the event.

(3) To help promote some of your special events, I would like to encourage MWR to contact our office to have pictures uploaded to the main page of the NPS Intranet.

c. Eagle's Eye Gallery, Ms. Pilnick. The Eagle's Eye Gallery Open House will be on Thursday, 13 November, from 4 - 7 p.m. In cooperation with the NEX, we will have wine tasting and also some of our own homemade appetizers. This event is posted in the October-December issue of the Peacock Press.

10. Closing Remarks. With no other items from the attendees, Ms. Ryan thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for providing feedback. The meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, 5 November 2008, at 12:00 noon in the La Novia Room, Herrmann Hall, NPS. NPS and tenant commands are encouraged to send a representative.



MEGAN D. RYAN

Distribution:

<http://www.nps.edu/Adminsrv/mwr/advisory/index.htm>

Copy to:

MWR Advisory Board Members

Officer Students Spouses' Club (OSSC)

Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)

President's Student Council (PSC)

Subj: MINUTES OF THE MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2008

(continued)

Monterey Pines Golf Association

Navy Monterey Golf Association

Naval Postgraduate School Sailing Association (NPSSA)

Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)