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6 October 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR 121 ARW

FROM: 121 ARW/LPC

SUBJECT: Local Partnership Council (LPC) Meeting Minutes

1. Individuals present for the 4 Oct 06 meeting;

1.1. Air LPC Members:

Kathy Lowrey	Don Bateson
John Gibson	Bill Alford
Mark Hoppes	Jim Pfaff
Robert Clark	Bennie Branham
Adam Hunt	Greg Shafer
Laura Young	Leslie Miller

1.2. Special guests:

Lt Col Greg Schnulo – Security
Maj Scott Buzzard – Safety

1.3. Army LPC Representatives:

Stuart Driesbach	Doug Schmitt
Andy Filson	Steve Cook
Clint Byington	

2. The following items were distributed:

- Traffic management
 - Cell phone usage while driving
- Replacing and recognition of Brig Gen Boggs
- LPC training requirements
- Options for Medically Retired Technicians

3. Open Business:

3.1. Traffic management:

3.1.1 An e-mail from the Deputy Director for Resources & Chief Human Resource Officer for the Ohio National Guard, Mr. Dean Boling, dated 22 September 2006, suggested that the Rickenbacker LPC's coordinate interim local vehicle traffic policies to help prevent a potential labor-management misunderstanding until a legal opinion of the applicability of AFI AR 190/AFI 31-128 Motor Traffic Vehicle Traffic Supervision is provided. (See Attachment 1)

3.1.2 Subject matter experts provided background on the issue. Lt Col Schnulo, Commander of 121st ARW Security Squadron, stated that the security forces patrolling inside the Rickenbacker area fence do not have the authority to arrest or give tickets, but can detain individuals until Franklin County or State Highway Patrol arrive to take necessary action. He stated that restricted cell phone usage while on base was implemented in preparation for an inspection in August, and because it made sense from a safety perspective. Although restricting cell phone usage while driving has been suspended until the legal opinion is obtained, drivers will be asked to terminate cell phone usage as they approach and pass through base entry gates. Major Buzzard, 121st ARW Chief of Safety, strongly recommended that the AFI's concerning restricting cell phone usage while driving be complied with; additionally individuals running from dusk to dawn on base roads should have reflective gear on, and yield to motor vehicles. Labor expressed a desire to bring this information to the workforce before discussing a decision on an interim policy on cell phone usage while driving on base.

3.1.3 A task force comprised of Adam Hunt and Mike Troxel, (Air) and Steve Cook and Andy Filsen, (Army) was formed to come up with overall interim traffic policy recommendations. Greg Schnulo (Air SFS) Scott Buzzard (Air Safety) and Army Safety Officer were also invited to the meeting scheduled for Friday 6 Oct at 1000. The combined LPC's agreed to meet 11 Oct at 1400 to hear task force recommendations.

3.1.4. A suggestion was also made to establish a temporary running/walking area on the flight line access road until a permanent location is found. The combined LPCs agreed to share with both workforces a statement such as, "To optimize personnel safety, both the Army and Air Rickenbacker LPC's request that people who are running inside the fence, run single file, wear reflective gear, and give way to traffic." (Reflective gear is available from supply.)

3.1.5. Both LPC's also had concerns about appropriate running areas on base and thought future discussion about locations might be helpful.

3.1.6. A recommendation was made to investigate establishing an email distribution list between the Army and Air Rickenbacker enclaves. Don Bateson said he would work this with 121st ARW CS and Stuart Driesbach from the Army side.

3.2 LPC Housekeeping:

A certificate of appreciation will be made for BG Boggs for all his contributions to the LPC. He has been a member since the LPC's inception. Adam Hunt offered to take care of it. A replacement LPC member nomination is being sought from the Operations Group.

3.3 LPC Training Requirements:

The state is offering a one day training class to fulfill training requirements for membership in the LPC. A concern was expressed that the training may not address all the local requirements at the 121st. Kathy Lowrey and Don Bateson will contact Lt Dan Roche at state to find out the exactly what is offered in the one day course and report back to the November meeting.

3.4 Options for Medically Retired Technicians:

The LPC supports the notion that we should better understand the employment options for technicians that are medically retired, due to recent changes in medical regulations. Jim Pfaff and Greg Shafer will contact Dean Boling and/or Michelle Herder and report back to LPC in November.

3.5 FRB Website:

Bennie Branham will add a link onto the LPC webpage for the Federal Retirement Benefits (FRB) website. The FRB web is a powerful tool to help you develop and update retirement-focused calculations and documents. Remember to safeguard the password you choose because only the Human Resource Rep can reset the password.

4. Next meeting is scheduled for 11 Oct 2006.

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Approved as written

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Attachment 1, Dean Boling's 22 September 2006 email titled: "Coordination Item Regarding Vehicle Traffic Supervision at Air Wings."