

Ohio Federal Military Jobs Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
13 Mar 2015  
1-3 pm  
Ohio State University

Commissioners present at the meeting were: Reno, Campbell, O'Connell, Ryan, Decker, Markovich, Smith and Wayt

Others in attendance were: Dennis Andersh, Marty Kress, Cassie Barlow, Mike Wiehe and Karen Conrad

The meeting began with the Commissioners discussing their need to nominate a chairperson. Greg Wayt was nominated and all Commissioners voted unanimously to appoint him as the chairperson. Gary O'Connell was appointed Vice Chair, by Greg Wayt later in the meeting. All Commissioners agreed to help both Greg and Gary with their duties as the Chair and Vice.

The Commissioners then voted to approve all meeting minutes of their meetings to this point (Nov 14 – Feb 15) and to make meeting minutes approval a standard meeting topic for the future.

Greg Wayt then briefed on the vector he recently received from the Governor's Office regarding the importance of the Commissioners attention to Military Value on our bases across the state. The Commissioners agreed to focus on the OFMJC Legislation (items 1-13) and to ensure the state had a solid way-forward on understanding military value across the state. In addition, the Commissioners will formulate a prioritization methodology for military value across Ohio that has a correlating funding strategy. The Commissioners agreed to a 31 Aug 2015 deliverable date for this specific portion of the strategy to be delivered to the State. As part of this strategy, the Commissioners will work to understand bonding as well as other funding strategies. The Governor would like to have clear criteria for military value rank ordering and funding across the state. The Commissioners will work towards a military value assessment across the state that highlights strengths and weaknesses as well as successes in partnerships and Enhanced Use Leases. The Commission will host hearings with all of the military commanders and civilian leaders (DLA, NASA Glenn, etc) across the state in order to get briefed on the base constructions projects and plans as well as to understand military value on each base and all of the ongoing efforts to address military value. After the Commissioners have talked with all military commanders, they will then talk with civic leaders.

The timeline for the military value section of the strategy is as follows: military and civilian commander briefings in May/June; SWOT Analysis – July; Write Report – August.

The Commissioners were then updated on the progress of the Research & Development/Technology Transition Chapter, the Small Business Chapter and the Workforce Chapter.

Dennis Andersh briefed the Commission on the Research & Development/Technology Transition Chapter. He stated that his team has been working on creating a consortium of Universities from across the state that could contribute to future research required in the Air

Force Research Laboratory, NASA Glenn and the National Air and Space Intelligence Center. He said they now have a great understanding of the strengths of each University across the state and they are prepared to begin the setup of Research Centers across the state that will be focused on different research types. These lead Universities will set up Research Networks around their areas of expertise and will invite other Universities across the state to participate in their research center.

Mike Wiehe then briefed on the progress made by the team developing the Small Business Contracting Chapter. He talked about creating a baseline for small business numbers and contracting dollars across the state. In addition, he said the team is working to understand the SBDCs and PTACs work across the state and the top industries in Ohio for Small Businesses. He also said they are researching previous reports and studies on the Small Business topic. He stated that Ohio doesn't need a new Small Business Framework, we need to just improve current services. He said we need to potentially look at co-locating PTACs across the state in order to provide better servicing. The Commissioners ask that we include DLA and JSMC in the study of Small Business opportunities. The Commissioners mentioned that small businesses need to understand how to be linked to the prime contractors because they don't have time or resources to go searching for companies to team with. The Commissioners mentioned the creation of a matching process for contractors would be great for Ohio. The Commissioners also mentioned that we need to stay away from creating pull technology like web-pages and we need to work towards push technology to optimize what exists in our system. The Commissioner also mentioned that Small Businesses want access to Primes and access to Space, how can we help make this happen. The Commissioners also mentioned that we need to figure out how to get Small Businesses into emerging markets and potentially engage them through webinars.

The Commissioners then discussed the way ahead for the two different portions of the strategy. The first portion regarding military value will be delivered to the State on 31 August 2015. The second portion regarding R&D/Small Business and Workforce will be delivered initially on 31 March 2015 with a more complete report delivered in early summer.

The Commissioners then discussed a Cross-Talk meeting they hosted on 6 March 2015 with the Austria Blue Ribbon Commissioners. They mentioned that the Blue Ribbon Commissioners had shared a lot of great lessons and that we should be sure to capture their lessons in the OFMJ Strategy as well as using the Blue Ribbon Commission Report as an Appendix.

The Commissioners then approved the \$700,000 Budget appropriated for the OFMJ Commission Study.

Cassie Barlow owes the Commissioners a template to file for travel expenses and the Monthly Financial Report that will be included in the agenda for future monthly meetings.

The meeting was adjourned.