

Ohio Federal Military Jobs Commission
Meeting Minutes
14 August 2015
1:00-3:00 pm
Ohio State University

Commissioners present at the meeting were: Reno, O'Connell, Ryan, Decker, Smith, Glenn, Markovich and Campbell. Others in attendance were: Marty Kress, Cassie Barlow, Mike Wiehe, Julie Brigner.

At 1:00 Vice-Chairman O'Connell called the meeting to order and conducted a roll call.

Mr. O'Connell asked for the Commissioners to review the minutes from 17 July 2015. Ms. Smith motioned for an approval of the minutes and Mr. Markovich seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion to approve the minutes.

Mr. O'Connell opened the floor to hear from visitors. No comments were heard.

Mr. O'Connell introduced the Ohio Senate's newly appointed Commissioner, Mr. Denis Glenn from Lima. The Commissioners then discussed the potential reappointments of the current Commissioners as well as the different Commissions and Committees with similar tasks as the OFMJC. The Commissioners expressed their need to know the future of the different Commissions before volunteering for another term. Mr. O'Connell will discuss the different Commissions and Committees as well as the reappointments with Representative Rosenberger. According to the OFMJC legislation, all Commissioners were nominated for a one year term. The dates of appointment are as follows: Mr. Wayt and Ms. Smith were appointed by the Governor on 6 February 2015. The Senate nominated Mr. Markovich, Ms. McDaniel and Mr. Reno on 13 November 2014. The Ohio House appointed Mr. Campbell, Mr. O'Connell and Ms. Ryan on 23 October 2014.

Mr. Markovich informed the board that the Ohio Adjutant General lawyers had reviewed his question regarding his ability to continue to serve as a Commissioner considering his new assignment as the Commander of the Ohio Air Guard. The lawyers opined that he should simply recuse himself if there was an issue for vote that could potentially be a conflict of interest.

The Commissioners then discussed the importance of a full-time Executive Director assigned to the Commission and their vision to eventually have a full time position at the State level who would be in charge of sustaining the efforts of the Commission. The Commissioners decided to start working towards a contract Executive Director who would be hired by the Ohio National Guard. They tasked Dr. Barlow to work with the Ohio National Guard to secure a list of candidates, work out compensation as well as length of contracts. At the Commissioner meeting in September 2015, they will vote on the candidates. Mr. Markovich made a motion to approve moving forward with a contract position and Ms. Ryan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Commissioners then reviewed a detailed budget. All subcontracts are on track.

Mr. Kress then updated the Commissioners on the Chapter 1 team progress regarding Research and Development and Technology Transition. He discussed the Charters for the Executive Review Board and Technical Review Council. He was tasked by the Commissioners to finalize the list of names for these two entities, so the Commissioners could vote to approve the membership at the September Commissioner meeting.

Mr. Wiehe then gave an update on Chapter 2, Small Business Development. He presented numbers to the Commissioners on Small Business Administration Contracting levels and presented several recommendations on which his team is working. The Commissioners asked for more detail on the recommendations and for potential owning offices in the state of each recommendation.

Dr. Barlow then gave an update on Chapter 3, Workforce Development. She presented on the overall organization of the Chapter and the progress on recommendations. She mentioned that multiple offices at the State level are currently reviewing the Chapter and recommendations. Dr. Barlow then presented the workforce requirements at the major installations across the state (WPAFB, NASA Glenn and Ohio National Guard). She mentioned that she would gather this same workforce data from all of the other Federal Installations across the state. In addition, Dr. Barlow showed the results from the Focus Groups on WPAFB regarding the decision making process to stay in a particular region of the country when a military member retires. The results of this focus group will be included in Chapter 3. Mr. Reno asked if we could now get feedback from retirement eligible civilians across the state regarding their decision process when it is time to retire.

Mr. O'Connell then gave an update on Chapter 4. He mentioned that all regions of the state were working on their survey recently sent by the Commission.

The Commissioners then talked about the report's readiness for a review at a two day meeting in September and decided that it was probably too early for a two day meeting since the recommendations and reports were not far enough along. As a result, the Commissioners decided upon a slightly extended meeting in September and a full-day meeting in October in order to conduct complete reviews of each Chapter and Recommendations associated. At the September meeting, all Chapter leads will have an hour to present their recommendations in detail. Each Chapter lead should plan on a 20 minute brief with questions to follow. In addition, at the September meeting, the Commissioners will review the potential candidates for Executive Director and the Chapter 1 names for the two boards/councils as well as Mr. O'Connell's discussion with Representative Rosenberger. The October meeting will be a strategy session to formulate the final OFMJC strategy.

Mr. O'Connell asked if there was any other business and took motions to adjourn the meeting at 3:40pm.

The next meeting will be at AVETEC in Springfield on 11 September from 11:00 – 4:00.