

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND
RETIREE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Saturday, March 19, 2016

Council members present: Chair LTC (retired) Nelson Laughton; Co-Chair 1SG (retired) Thomas Shumate; SGM (retired) Robert Richardson; MSG (retired) Nancy West; SSG (retired) Genaro Flores; SSG (retired) Lionel Palmer; SSG (retired) Rita Hewitt and RSO Ms. Betty Willard.

Council members not present: CMSgt (retired) Thomas Alley; SGM (retired) Frank Yoakum; 1SG (retired) Lonzia Hawkins; SFC (retired) Richard Zalusky; and DHR Mrs. Janet Dettwiler.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am with Chair Nelson Laughton presiding.

The Council discussed the upcoming Retiree Appreciation Day event (14 May):

- a. Speaker/VA presentation - Presentation requirements known and coordinated. 1SG (retired) Hawkins will meet Mr. Waller at the gate and escort to AA recreation center.
- b. Free State support coordinated for setup, program and cleanup. SSG (retired) Palmer will capture the names of the Free State cadets for support certificates.
- c. Maximum effort by all council members is needed to identify/confirm vendor attendance for this year's event.
- d. MSG (retired) West updated the Council on publicity; minor change to poster recommended. Target date to post flyers in key locations by 15 April.
- e. 1SG (retired) Shumate will continue to refine program through early April and provide final product for council member review at April's meeting.
- f. LTC (retired) Laughton informed council members that he would meet with Garrison Commander in late March to address RAD and refine installation leadership role in this year's RAD.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am. The next meeting will be on April 16, 2016.