

## **Military Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting**

**22 April 2019**

**1500-1632**

### **Members Present**

RADM Phillip R. Olson, Elizabeth Dietzmann, RDML Mark Gemmill, CAPT Steve Herbert, CDR Kathy Owens, RADM Fenton Priest, CAPT Robert Rieve, CAPT Louis Schager, Lt. General Frances Wilson,

### **Approval of 25 March notes**

### **Oceana Brief – *Capt. Vincelette***

- Update on the strategic vision for Oceana and the maintenance of assets
- Only 50-60% of required maintenance funding requests are received
- Exploring opportunities for partnerships
- Oceana will be hosting an Industry Day in June

### **Economic Development Update – *Ray White***

- A successful Cybersecurity Business Roundtable, co-sponsored by ODU, at the Economic Development office on 28 March. Over 50 people attended to hear the latest developments in local, regional and statewide cybersecurity activities.
- Point One USA is a Va. Beach military and law enforcement training operation. This service-disabled veteran-owned small business is moving to a 11,000-square-foot existing facility at Crusader Circle. The new property will be used for manufacturing, warehousing and packaging to support product sales of training aids/kits that are purchased and used to support personnel in Virginia, the U.S. and international partners. They are planning a capital investment of \$1.5 million in real estate, business property and for job creation - adding 15 new full-time jobs with an average salary of \$65,000 in the next three years.
- Navy League's Global Maritime Expo – Sea Air Space will be held 6-8 May at National Harbor, MD. Economic Development will be attending this event, which is the largest maritime exposition in the U.S.

### **Command Visit Program**

- RADM Priest has reached out to NEXCOM to arrange a visit.

### **Self-Assessment Discussion**

- Reviewed the potential areas of focus and rankings by members
- Discussed what is missing and potential priorities
- Ms. Dietzmann and Capt. Schager will work on a new draft for the bylaws and have this completed prior to the June meeting.

## **Discussion**

- CDR Owens provided an update on the Naval Community College initiative and opportunities in the region. A proposal will be submitted in early May. Letters of support will be requested from the Norfolk and Virginia Beach MEDAC chairs.
- During April and May, area ROTC units will hold award ceremonies.
- Several concerts will be held throughout the summer at Joint Expeditionary Base–Little Creek.
- JEBLC also exploring opportunities to expand broadband capabilities.

## **Adjournment at 1632**

### **Next Joint MEDAC Meeting:**

**20 May 2019**

**Slover Library in Norfolk**

### **Next Virginia Beach MEDAC Meeting:**

**24 June 2019**