



OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
EVELYN SANGUINETTI – LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

**Interagency Military Base Support and Economic Development Committee
 (IMBSEDC) Quarterly Meeting**

**Tuesday, April 26th 2016
 3:00pm**

City of Mascoutah
 City Hall – Downstairs Conference Room
 3 West Main Street
 Mascoutah, Illinois

Lieutenant Governor’s Springfield Office
 Room 214
 Illinois Capitol Building
 Springfield, Illinois

Name	Title	Organization	Present
Evelyn Sanguinetti	Lt. Governor	State of Illinois	Yes-M
Nick Bender	Director	DCEO	No
Rep. Dan Beiser	Representative	House Majority	No
Rep. Tim Butler	Representative	House Minority	Yes-M
Sen. Neil Anderson	Senator	Senate Minority	No
Sen. William Haine	Senator	Senate Majority	No
Jeff Keirn (Ken Sharkey)	IDOT	IDOT	Yes-M
Todd Rettig	IDNR	IDNR	Yes-S
Clarence Smith	IEPA	IEPA	Yes-P
Chima Enyia	IDOR	IDOR	No
James Smith	IDMA	IDMA	Yes-M
Frank Miles	Madison County	Madison County	Yes-M
Gary Grey	SWIC	SWIC	No
Col. Gene Blade (Ret.)	Illinois National Guard	Illinois National Guard	Yes-M
Jim Morgan	Rock Island Arsenal Development Group	Rock Island Arsenal Development Group	No
Larry Walsh	Will County	Will County	No
Paul Rumler	Quad Cities Chamber	Quad Cities Chamber	No
Rick Kwasneski	Joliet Arsenal Development	Joliet Arsenal Development	No

Brigadier Gen. Frank Rezac (Ret.)	Illinois Air National Guard	Illinois Air National Guard	Y-M
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AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM CT and welcomed members.
- b. Recognized Mayor Daugherty of Mascoutah, IL.
- c. Roll Call was taken. Quorum was not met.

II. Approval of meeting minutes from February 25, 2016

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti opened the minutes from the February 25, 2016 meeting for correction.
- b. Because of a lack of quorum, the approval of the meeting minutes was postponed to the next meeting.

III. Chairman's Remarks – Lt. Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti thanked Mayor Daugherty of Mascoutah for hosting the meeting today. She thanked those who joined her on a tour of the Scott Air Force Base.
- b. She explained that this year the quarterly meetings will be held at military installations around the state so that her office and members have firsthand knowledge of the issues facing Illinois' military bases.
- c. She emphasized the importance of the mission of Scott Air Force Base and the need for the committee to develop a strategic plan to ensure Illinois retains and grows Scott Air Force Base in the future.

IV. New Business

a. Scott Air Force Base Status Update

- i. Col. Lenderman gave a status update on the missions of Scott Air Force Base
 1. There are two 4-star commands, one 3-star command and one 2-star command as well as a number of other missions on the base. Most general officers outside of Washington D.C. stationed at Scott Air Force Base. Unusual for an Air Force base.
 2. Cyber group missions have been starting up over the last year.
 3. Five P-4 initiatives with local governments.
 4. Working with local high schools to build a STEM lab
 5. Needs list for base:
 - a. DISA Facility will open in August.
 - b. Visitors Quarters has broken ground. Needed for conferences on base.
 - c. 21st Century cyber squadron buildings
 - d. Consolidated communications facility
 - e. Mid-America Gate

- f. Updated joint firing range
- ii. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti asked the group to think about what would benefit Scott AFB and Illinois other bases from the perspective of BRAC commissioners to identify what is needed to help Scott AFB.

Members discussed various ways to help prepare for a future BRAC by working together as a state as opposed to the individual communities working on their own.

b. NGA Update -

- i. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti commented that it would have been smart to locate the NGA-West facility in Saint Clair County based on the overwhelming advantages in security, environmental, schedule, cost and overall ability to deliver on the mission of the facility.
- ii. Dan Trapp, Director of Engineering and Planning from Mid America Airport gave an update on the NGA location site selection. Based on 6 criteria.
 - 1. Mission Efficiency & Flexibility- St. Louis
 - 2. Security – St. Clair County/AFB Site
 - 3. Environmental – St. Louis Site
 - 4. Regulation – St. Louis Site
 - 5. Schedule – St. Clair County/AFB Site
 - 6. Cost – St. Louis Site
- iii. St. Clair County Chairman Kern has met with the congressional delegation, requested a meeting with Director Cardillo and submitted
- iv. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti noted a number of detrimental errors in the report about the St. Clair County location.
- v. Mr. Trapp noted there were also a number of favorable errors for the St. Louis location in regards to the physical environment and the ability to acquire property quickly.
- vi. Other concerns were raised about potential archeological finds and environmental remediation by council members.

c. IMBSEDC Legislation Discussion

- i. Brian Costin, Policy Director for the Office of the Lt. Governor, discussed proposed changes to the committee that would be made via legislation in the future. The proposed changes discussed were.
 - 1. Formally transfer control to Lt. Governor's office
 - 2. Add Adjutant General to committee as a second vice-chair, along with DCEO
 - 3. Add the Department of Veterans Affairs to committee
 - 4. 4-year terms for appointments, staggered every 2 years (currently no defined terms)
 - 5. Increasing number of public members from 8 to 10

6. Representation from current military bases or former military bases that have closed in the past 5 years (opposed to open ended)
7. Allow veterans to serve on committee (not just from counties near bases)
8. Allow defense industry representatives to serve on committee
9. Change mission of IMBSEDC to align with previous BRAC goals and National Security Strategy (main focus).
 - a. Align sub-goals to support military assets, public and private, in the state of Illinois.

d. Department of Defense 2017 Environmental Restoration Program Funding Overview

- i. Clarence Smith, Illinois EPA presented a handout to the committee members.
 1. On March 29th there was a national call with state types like Clarence on all of the facilities across the country to talk about where the cleanup budgets would be going forward.
 2. Pentagon is pushing hard for a BRAC round to help meet the demands of the Budget Control Act, which is in place until 2021-22.
 3. 84% complete nationally with environmental remedies in place. \$28 billion in environmental issues still need to be addressed.
 4. Reductions in grant funds in oversight funds to the states may be reduced.
 5. Ordnance cleanup is still a big issue and needs to be dealt with.

e. Member Updates

- i. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti announced the resignation of two of the members. Paul Rumler of the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce, and Gary Gray the Executive Director of the Southwestern Illinois College Foundation, resigned because they have moved out of the state. New members would be appointed by the next meeting.
- ii. Captain Hawkins of Great Lakes Naval Station addressed the committee on the issue of education of the children of soldiers, sailors and Marines on the base. There is a debate in the community right now to potentially expand a charter school in the area. The Navy has a concern of the local school district. Number one family issue on base and is affecting the mission of the base. Captain Hawkins stated they are ready to support local, state and federal authorities to improve local education in the area. A letter from Captain Hawkins was shared with the committee.
- iii. A member inquired about the Defense Reimbursement Adjustment Act study being done by Joey Mac and the University of Illinois.

V. Public Comments

- a. There were no public comments brought forth.

VI. Adjournment

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion to adjourn at 4:33pm.
 - i. Smith moved the motion to approve. Rezac Seconded.
 - ii. The motion was approved by majority Ayes with no Nays recorded.