



UDA Board Meeting – March 16, 2009

The Utah Defense Alliance Board met on Monday, March 16, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. at the Weber Basin Water District Headquarters, Layton, Utah. The meeting was called to order by Rick Mayfield who was standing in for President Peter Jenks until he was able to arrive from another appointment. On roll call, the following were found to be present and excused:

Present

Peter Jenks
Rick Mayfield
Mart Bushnell
Pat Condon
Ivan Flint
Ann Millner
Ron Kusina
John Matthews
Gary Harter
Louenda Downs
David Nydam
Mike Bouwhuis
Ken Warnick
Steve Curtis

Vickie McCall

Scott Waterfall

Tage Flint

Steve Rush

Don Wood

Lisa Roskelley

Staff/Other

Sandy Kester
Joan Hellstrom
Ron Richins
Paul Morris
Beverley Jacobs

Excused

Jerry Stevenson
Sheldon Killpack
Brad Dee
Jan Zogmaister
Colleen Johnson
Wilf Sommerkorn
Kent Sulser
Debra Tanzi
John Clay
Lane Beattie
Steve Petersen
Collette Mercier
Charlie Precourt

Joan Hellstrom was welcomed.

Approval of Minutes

Gary Harter made a motion that the January 19, 2009, UDA Board Meeting minutes be approved. President Mike Bouwhuis seconded the motion followed by a unanimous vote that the minutes be accepted as presented.

Financial Report & Audit Update

The audit is currently in process. It is anticipated that it will be complete and will be presented to the Board during the April UDA Board meeting.

SWDA Presentation

Mart Bushnell gave a presentation explaining the Southwest Defense Alliance (SWDA) and the importance of UDA association (PowerPoint available on the UDA website). He mentioned that it costs UDA approximately \$30,000--\$20,000 for SWDA support and membership, and \$10,000

for the three (3) UDA representatives travel costs to attend the conferences. This alliance was originally formed in response to potential BRAC closures, and the alliance has proven that it provides sustainment of facilities, open communication as well as insights to our areas strengths and weaknesses and gives Utah a voice.

In August, the next SWDA Conference will be hosted in Utah. Past Utah conferences have been held at Park City, but they are looking at moving the conference closer to Hill AFB this year. A reception will be held the evening prior to the beginning of the conference, and UDA members were encouraged to plan to attend.

In the past UDA has made a disproportionate contribution to SWDA, but it was unknown if this is still the case. Mart was asked to obtain a list of member contributions for the last two years. This will help UDA make a better decision as to the amount they will contribute in the future. Mart mentioned that contributions have been higher now that industry is recognizing the value of SWDA and industries are making contributions to SWDA.

The Western Regional Partnership (WRP) is an initiative of DoD that replicates the Southwest Defense Alliance. It was noted that there is some overlap. WRP is similar to the SWDA as it addresses issues and supports military efforts, but it is different in the fact that it was started by the government and encourages states to join. Another difference is the WRP's focus is mostly on environmental issues. The SWDA works hand in hand with WRP and makes every effort to keep on top of what WRP is doing.

Because of UDA's partnership with SWDA, Utah has been aware of upcoming missions. This has enabled Utah to make the necessary preparations to be selected for these new missions. Encroachment issues, wind turbines and new transmission corridors are going to be big issues in the near future. We need to engage when there is an issue and contribute to the solution.

Legislative Review

Paul Morris gave a presentation on the two (2) Legislative Bills that affected MIDA (PowerPoint available on UDA website). He reminded the group that MIDA has always had statewide jurisdiction, but the legislation is now clear that MIDA is a political subdivision of the State, but MIDA is not a state agency.

Senate Bill 56 passed with no negative votes. Senate Bill 216 is a controversial bill, as the League of Cities and Towns feel it takes too many rights away from the local entities. Senate Bill 216 did pass, but it had several negative votes. A number of people are trying to encourage the Governor to veto the Bill as it was directed at Summit County. The Governor has until April 1, 2009, to make the decision.

There was a question if the property in question meets the criteria for Military land. Resorts in other areas are under DoD classification, but this will need to be clarified.

On the budgeting side, \$1 million has been appropriated for the Procurement Program and \$1 million for MIDA. The amount UDA will receive from the Procurement Program has not been determined, but gratitude was shown for the work the Senators did on behalf of UDA & MIDA.

Updates & Reports

- CE Reception Report

Peter Jenks thanked everyone who had been able to attend the CE Reception for their participation. There were 75 to 80 people in attendance. The costs for the evening were within the budgeted amount.

- MIDA Update

The Falcon Hill project is moving forward, and the Developer has indicated things are on schedule.

- Air Force Week

Air Force Week planning is coming along. It was reported that there will be several high ranking Air Force and Government leaders attending. UDA members were encouraged to clear their calendars and attend as many of the events as possible. UDA has committed to a \$10,000 contribution that will hopefully help sponsor an event in Salt Lake and another one during the Air Show.

Strategic Plan

With the budget constraints, it will be necessary to reconsider the Strategic Plan as UDA was not appropriated legislative funding for 2010. However, UDA will receive \$1 million for the Procurement Program of which UDA will receive a percentage for administrative costs. The amount allowed for administrative costs is not yet known. The Strategic Plan will be discussed in the April Board meeting.

Other Items

- Mayor Don Wood reported that Clearfield City has donated \$5,000 to the Ogden/Weber Chamber in support of Air Force Week.

- Mayor Steve Curtis reported that the East Gate Development should begin in early spring. He was asked, and consented, to prepare a presentation for the UDA Board in April or May.

Next Meeting

The next UDA Board will meet on Monday, April 20, 2009, at 7:30 a.m.

Mayor Steve Curtis moved that the meeting adjourn at 9:05 a.m.