

**MINUTES OF
THE EDWARDS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2007**

President Deaver opened the meeting at 8:00 AM. Directors in attendance: Deaver, Layne, Novinger, Pickard, Welling,. Others present: Sipple, Johnstone, Lawson, Moen.

ECA Project Status

Land Use Compatibility- James Welling briefed on the East Kern County Summit held to discuss potential land use issues. Approximately 60 individuals representing a wide variety of organizations attended this meeting chaired by President Deaver. Dwight Deacon from Edwards briefed on the proposed developments he was aware of and how they might adversely impact on the mission of Edwards. Several tenants from Mojave Airport expressed concern with the proposed location of a university east of the airport. After the meeting, the land developer took several airport officials on an air tour of the proposed site. After the flight their concerns were no longer an issue. Edwards also said the site would not impact on their operations.

Education-Johnstone said he is in the process of finalizing the Master Plan on the Comprehensive University. The final draft will go to an editor around the first of February. The plan will be presented to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trade around the first of March and the full Board of Directors around the middle of March. With the BOD approval the plan will go to the proposed Joint Powers Authority for their use in submitting an application for a California State University.

Financial Report

James Welling provided a financial report (Atch 1). Kern County has approved \$35, 000 for 2007/08.

Open Discussion

Rex Moen discussed the Colorado Springs Community activities. Edwards Community Alliance will take the lead on matching functions with organizations throughout the Antelope Valley. Rex will put together a summary of the organizations and their missions.

Rex also briefed on a new concept to establish an informal organization called, "Friends of Edwards Air Force Base". This organization will bring together many military support groups in support of Edwards special events. See attachment 2. ECA was asked to become part of this organization and on a motion by James Welling, seconded by Doug Pickard and unanimously approved by the Directors in attendance ECA officially joined "Friends of Edwards Air Force Base".

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be in Mojave on February 19th.

Respectively Submitted

Robert Johnstone
Executive Director

2 ATTACH:

Financial Report
Friends of Edwards

EDWARDS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

Financial Report for the Month of October, 2006

Beginning Balance

\$20,744.50

Funds Received	\$0.00
Expenses	
November 6 th Check #1041 to Aerospace Office For Consultant fees & Travel Expenses	\$5,482.78
November 6 th Check #1042 to AAN Insurance For Renewal Premium	\$1,284.93
Balance as of November 10, 2006	\$13,976.79

Prepared by James Welling
ECA Treasure

Colorado

Equivalent AV Activity/Organization(s):

Colorado Springs Chamber, Military Affairs Division
- Staff: President, Vice President, Mil Affairs Coordinator

Military Affairs Council (MAC)

- 180 Members
- Annual Armed Forces Week Celebration
- Funding awards programs and activities
- Organizing Military Speakers Luncheons
- Hail and Farewell Receptions for senior military leaders
- Organizing Military Job Fairs

Armed Forces Week

- Concert
- Awards Luncheon

Operation Home Front (discounted services and products)

Military Spouse Career Committee (help spouses find employment)

Area Chiefs of Staff (ACOS)

- Monthly forum - discussions local govt leaders and installation CCs

Defense Mission Task Force (DMTF)

- Senior military and civic leaders
- Solve military installation infra challenges - BRAC and mission changes

Colorado Defense Mission Coalition (CDMC)

- Heighten community support for soldiers/families moving to Ft Carson (trans, housing, education, infra)

Facilitate Defense Industry Growth

- Works w/2 Chamber Divisions - Business Development and Governmental Affairs & Public Policy
- Improve Communities' standing w/defense industry leaders