

**Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting Minutes**  
**Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority**  
**University of Virginia Alumni Hall**  
**Charlottesville, Virginia**  
**April 20, 2011**

Chairman Robert Magnus called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., welcoming authority board members, staff and guests, and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Authority board members present:

Mr. John B. Adams, Jr.	Vice Adm. James D. McArthur, Jr., USN (Ret.)
Mr. G. William Beale	Col. William H. Parrish, USMC (Ret.)
The Hon. Craig W. Duehring	Capt. Leonard P. Wales, USN (Ret.)
Rear Adm. Robert R. Fountain, Jr., USN (Ret.)	Mr. Jeffrey D. Wassmer
Gen. Robert Magnus, USMC (Ret.)	Mr. William L. Welch
The Hon. John W. Knapp, Sr.	

Authority board members absent:

Gen. John N. Abrams, USA (Ret.)	Maj. Gen. Daniel E. Long
The Hon. James S. Cheng	The Hon. Cord A. Sterling
Mr. Jeff B. Franzen	Mr. Kurt H. Tripp
Rear Adm. John G. Hekman, USN (Ret.)	

Mr. Stan Scott, VNDIA's executive director, reported that Maj. Gen. John Knapp and Jeff Franzen will be leaving the board as their terms conclude at the end of June. Recommendations for their replacements will be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, with the final appointment for each being made by Gov. McDonnell. The Future Opportunities committee of the Virginia Commission on Military and National Security Facilities met on March 23, 2011. The committee has now heard a series of background presentations, and will continue to move toward recommendations for the governor. Mr. Scott joined board member Jeff Wassmer in a meeting with Virginia Delegate Glenn Oder to discuss the authority's work. Mr. Oder chairs a committee of Gov. McDonnell's Commission on Government Reform and Restructuring that will be looking at existing boards, commissions, and authorities for potential elimination or consolidation.

During the January meeting the board requested that information on personnel and consultant options under different operational budget levels be explored. The authority's budget was unaffected by the recently approved state budget, and a reserve amount built up over the past few years will allow the authority some options for updating existing studies or augment staffing as required. After some discussion of potential use of the reserve budget, Gen. Magnus made the following resolution. Mr. Adams seconded the resolution, which passed by unanimous vote.

Be it resolved that the executive director presents a plan for the next year of operations that incorporates necessary staffing and the use of the budget surplus to update existing studies and documents. The plan will include input from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security and other related organizations as deemed necessary by the executive director, and will be presented to the full VNDIA board at the July 2011 quarterly meeting.

Gen. Magnus introduced Dr. Alfred Weaver, director of the Applied Research Institute (ARI) at the University of Virginia. Dr. Weaver presented an overview of ARI, its mission and strategy, and provided some examples of how the institute will continue to work with federal intelligence and defense agencies. ARI is looking at similar organizations for best practices, including one at Georgia Tech that has developed strong relationships with the Army and Air Force. It was noted by Rear Adm. Fountain that the Navy is the dominant service in Virginia regarding personnel, spending and senior leadership, and is where the most potential lies for ARI.

Gen. Magnus recognized Mr. Phillip Roberts, chief of the Defense Intelligence Agency Field Support Activity at Rivanna Station. Mr. Roberts began his remarks by thanking the VNDIA board for its assistance in securing a grant to Albemarle County for a new fire fighting vehicle. The new truck is stationed near Rivanna Station and will be among the first vehicles to respond should an emergency arise at the DIA facility. Mr. Roberts gave an introduction to the DIA and its function in the Charlottesville area, and provided an overview of the BRAC mandated move of approximately 900 DIA and 100 National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) personnel from the greater Washington, D.C. area to Rivanna Station. The move makes DIA the seventh largest employer in the area, and raises Rivanna Station (DIA and the National Ground Intelligence Center or NGIC) to the fourth largest area employer overall.

The final presentation for the morning was given by Dr. Meredith Richards, chair of Cville Rail. Dr. Richards presented background on passenger rail service that now connects Charlottesville with Washington, D.C. and New York City. The service operated at a profitable level in its first year, exceeding expectations by about 250 percent. The line is tied by contract to a similar project that runs out of Richmond which is operating at a loss, which may jeopardize continued funding once the initial three-year demonstration is completed. If funding can be secured, future plans include possibly extending the line south into North Carolina, and building a stop in the Proffit Road area, only a few miles from Rivanna Station and the University of Virginia's new research park.

Mr. Patrick Tremblay, VNDIA's communications manager, presented a final report on the 2011 General Assembly session. Several military- and veteran-related bills with particular interest to VNDIA were passed. These include the restructuring of the Office of Commonwealth Preparedness, making it now the office of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security; a limited freedom of information act exemption for the Commission on Military and National Security Facilities; greater permission for localities in regards to creating zones to attract defense contracting and to require noise attenuation in buildings near federal airfields; and a resolution recognizing former VNDIA executive director David Dickson's service to Virginia. Gen. Magnus will write a letter on behalf of the board to the Honorable Terrie Suite, now Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security, to congratulate her on the elevation of her office and her appointment as the first secretary.

Rear Adm. Fountain, chair of the Local Coordination, Support & Communications Committee, reported that the committee made four installation visits in the past quarter. On February 9, 2011, Rear Adm. Fountain, Mr. Scott and Mr. Tremblay visited Fort Eustis, now a part of Joint Base Langley-Eustis, and received a briefing from Air Force Col. Gene Kirkland, installation commander for the joint base, and Army Col. Glenn Grothe, commander of the former Fort Eustis, followed by a tour of the facility. Fort Eustis will become the home to the Army's 4-star Training & Doctrine Command (TRADOC) later this year, which will move as a result of closing Fort Monroe. Additional activities at Eustis include Army helicopter maintenance

training and an active port facility for Army ships, both at risk, as most Army helicopter training is conducted at Fort Rucker, Ala., and the Army and Navy are in talks concerning the transfer of the Army's maritime mission to the Navy.

On February 16, 2011, Rear Adm. Fountain, Rear Adm. John Hekman, Col. Craig Duehring, Mr. Franzen and Mr. Tremblay visited Fort Belvoir. Col. Mark Moffatt, Deputy Garrison Commander for Transformation and BRAC, briefed the group on growth at the fort, followed by a van tour of some of the major projects including the new 110-bed Fort Belvoir Community Hospital and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) that will be the third largest federal building in the country when complete. Fort Belvoir's workforce will grow by more than 19,000 from the BRAC process, with more than \$2.5 billion in construction at four separate sites, including Charlottesville.

On March 21, 2011, Rear Adm. Fountain, Col. Duehring and Mr. Tremblay visited Norfolk Naval Base where they were briefed by installation commander Navy Capt. Mary Jackson, followed by a van tour of the facility. The base employs nearly 70,000 people and has seen moderate growth over the past two years, primarily through the addition of six helicopter squadrons moved as part of Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) realignment, making Norfolk the East Coast "master helicopter base."

Finally, on March 24, 2011, Rear Adm. Fountain, Col. Duehring and Mr. Tremblay visited Fort Pickett. They were joined by Brig. Gen. Janice Igou, Assistant Adjutant General of Virginia. Installation commander Col. Tom Wilkinson and his staff briefed the group and escorted them on a bus tour of the post, which serves as a significant training site for National Guard units from Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, in addition to active duty units from all services and other federal and state agencies. In 2010 the post conducted 880,000 man-days of training, a number that could go higher as rotations to the Middle East slow down.

Bill Welch reported on behalf of the Grant Review & Oversight Committee, which he chairs. Overall, nine of 24 projects are still active, and a total of \$43,121,821 (72% of the \$59.5 million in granted funds) has been reimbursed. The Crater Planning District Commission filed a final report for its Fort Lee/Sisisky Gate project, and Arlington County filed a final report for the DARPA project. Both of these are now listed as complete. During this quarter, staff worked with the City of Virginia Beach and members of the General Assembly to assist the legislature in making an informed decision on continuing to fund Oceana encroachment mitigation, which was included in the final budget contingent upon higher than expected state revenues.

Gen. Magnus recognized Maj. Gen. Knapp for his many years of service to the VNDIA board. Maj. Gen. Knapp was an original board member, and for several years chaired the Local Coordination, Support & Communications Committee, representing VNDIA at installations across the state. Gen. Magnus presented him with some gifts of appreciation on behalf of the board.

The draft minutes from the January 19, 2011 meeting were presented. Mr. Adams moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, Rear Adm. Fountain seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote. Gen. Magnus opened the floor to new business. Seeing none, he moved to adjourn, Rear Adm. Fountain seconded, and by unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.