

**STATE ARMORY BOARD**  
**September 30, 2020**

The State Armory Board (SAB) convened at 10:02 A.M., Wednesday, September 20, 2020 in the Adjutant General's Conference Room, located on the second floor of Building One, Indiana Joint Forces Headquarters at Stout Field, 2002 South Holt Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241, in compliance with Center for Disease Control (CDC) meeting guidelines; pursuant to notices given to all concerned

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

MG (Ret) R. Martin Umbarger—President  
BG (Ret) Ronald W. Henry—Vice-President  
BG R. Dales Lyles—the Adjutant General (TAG)—Secretary-Treasurer  
COL (Ret) Marjorie K. Courtney—Member  
COL (Ret) Timothy R. Warrick—Member  
MSG (Ret) Donivan J. Mahuron—Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Scott R. Collins—Director, State Operations  
COL (RET) John Silva—Controller  
Mrs. Stephanie Brossman—Field Auditor  
COL Felicia Brokaw—Commander, Indiana Ceremonial Unit  
Mr. Jerry Hartley—Environmental Office  
Mr. Steve Hines—Construction Facilities Management Officer  
Col. Lance Hopper—Commander 181<sup>st</sup> Intelligence Wing—Indiana Air National Guard  
Ms. Bianca Kearby—Legislative Liaison  
Mr. Jeremy LaFountain—Facilities Operations Supervisor  
Mr. Jason Thompson—General Counsel, Adjutant General's Office  
MAJ Ken Washington—Staff Judge Advocate's Office  
Ms. Mary Barbee—Recorder

**THOSE ABSENT:**

BG Timothy Winslow—Director, Joint Staff  
Mrs. Mary Carrico—Director, State Purchasing and Contracting Office  
Mr. James Mahern—Director, State Facilities Office  
LTC Elizabeth Murphy—Staff Judge Advocate

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Motion to approve the Minutes of the July 15, 2020 Meeting was made by Colonel Courtney, seconded by Colonel Warrick, and carried.

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Colonel Silva briefed the Board on their financial status of funds. He began by going through the Balance Sheet: Opening Balance for the reporting period (1JUL2020 through 15SEP2020) was \$2,451,981.85 Accounts Receivable for that period was \$78,805.56 He indicated all Certificates of Deposit (CDs) were current, indicating the CD for Mid-Southern Bank would be renewed in November. Total Assets for the State Armory Board are \$3,430,787.41

Colonel Silva next went through the liabilities of the Board, touching on the amounts remaining to be used of each line item, stopping to emphasize the Special Programs Account: the account being set up to manage funds for the Cyber Academy. Colonel Silva explained the line item of \$10,000 was 'seed' money the board used to establish a bank account for the Cyber Academy. He explained the Cyber Academy had received enough monies, they would be able to repay the 'seed' money and operate as a stand-alone account.

He next went through the Profit and Loss Report, again, pausing with the entry for SAB SPECIAL PROGRAMS, explaining these funds were received by students at the Cyber Academy, and would be used to repay the 'seed' money as indicated on the Balance Sheet.

Next, Colonel Silva presented the Local Armory Board Report, listing their balances as of 31AUG2020. He indicated many of the accounts have low balances because of not being able to conduct rentals because of the 2019 novel(new)coronavirus (CoVid-19) pandemic. He stated there were several requests for Board assistance to purchase fuel for the mowers; and checks in the amount of \$100 were disbursed to armories who made requests.

General Umbarger asked for the current policy on armory rentals, to which Mrs. Brossman replied rentals were permitted providing the person/firm/organization who requested an armory rental provided their plan for meeting CDC requirements for Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), CoVid-19 cleaning, and social distancing, along with any additional requirements set forth by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH). Mr. Collins

indicated the number of armory rentals is starting to climb again, stating there have been requests from gun show organizations as well as sporting events.

Mr. Collins addressed General Umbarger's question regarding the annual Building Service Workers' Conference by stating the Conference had been canceled for 2020, due to the CoVid-19 pandemic; however, he is working with other offices to perhaps have regional conferences beginning in January 2021.

General Umbarger suggested an effort be made within local communities to get the word out that the armories are available to rent. Mr. Collins informed General Umbarger he has been meeting with the marketing department and hopes to be able to present the Board with those findings in a future meeting.

Sergeant Mahuron mentioned he did not see the newly acquired Kessler armory on the Local Armory Board listing: Colonel Silva indicated there would be discussion regarding the Kessler (Avenue) armory later in the day's agenda/meeting.

General Umbarger asked if there was a separate topic to discuss the Cyber Academy; indicating that if it were not, it is something which should be discussed in detail, at each future meeting of the Board.

Colonel Silva addressed Sergeant Mahuron's question of clarification on the room charges at the Cyber Academy, by stating if a student wants a single room, they pay the Special Programs Account \$8,101 each term. The cost to share a room is \$6,685 each term. Those costs are split over eleven payments of \$737.09 and \$607.73 based upon room occupancy.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Sergeant Mahuron, seconded by Colonel Courtney, and carried.

**5. MRS. MARY CARRICO WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON CURRENT STATE ARMORY BOARD CONTRACTS.**

In Mrs. Carrico's absence, Mr. Collins briefed the Board concerning contracts. He touched on an Energy Conservation Project which would cover the replacement of window-mounted air-conditioning units, and heat-pump replacements at various locations throughout the state from September 30, 2020 through June 8, 2021 for a total cost of six hundred sixty-two thousand dollars. He also briefed the Board of a parking lot expansion

at the Scottsburg armory a \$863,950.00 project scheduled to run from September 30, 2020 through August 7, 2021.

He stated contracts for Camp Atterbury and Jasper Field Maintenance Shop (FMS)19 would be discussed at future meetings.

Mr. Collins emphasized none of the contracts require State Armory Board Funds; therefore, a vote was not needed for these items.

**6. COLONEL FELICIA BROKAW WILL PRESENT A REQUEST TO MOVE THE CEREMONIAL UNIT HORSES FROM THEIR CURRENT LOCATION AT THE KNIGHTSTOWN PROPERTY TO A PRIVATELY OWNED STABLE.**

Colonel Brokaw presented the Board with a White Paper detailing the comparison in cost of maintaining the equestrian portion of the Ceremonial Unit at the Knightstown stable versus moving the horses to "The Woods," a private stable.

After much discussion had taken place about the "pros and cons" of moving the stable, General Henry indicated he would be abstaining from voting on the decision as he has a personal involvement with the Knightstown property.

General Umbarger also indicated that he would be abstaining from voting on the measure as he was instrumental in moving the horses to Knightstown when the property evolved into the Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy; and suggested tabling a vote until the next meeting.

Colonel Courtney indicated she was ready to vote on the matter; however, she would wait an additional thirty days if deemed necessary by the remaining Board members.

General Lyles suggested a team be put together to develop a more informed maintenance discussion regarding the Knightstown Stable, as well as talking to persons who have done volunteer work with the Ceremonial Unit horses; in an effort to gain further information to continue with objective discussion.

**7. COLONEL FELICIA BROKAW WILL PRESENT THE 2021 BUDGET FOR THE INDIANA CEREMONIAL UNIT.**

As a result of further investigation being required for the previous agenda item, the 2021 budget for the Indiana Ceremonial

Unit has been tabled until the next meeting of the State Armory Board.

**8. INDIANA AIR NATIONAL GUARD COLONEL LANCE HOPPER, COMMANDER OF THE 181<sup>ST</sup> INTELLIGENCE WING'S MISSION SUPPORT GROUP WILL BRIEF THE BOARD ON THE STATUS OF THE AT&T FIRSTNET PROJECT. BRIEFING WILL INCLUDE A REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE INSTALLATION OF THREE (3) TWENTY-SIX FEET (26') WOODEN POLES AND ACCOMPANYING ANTENNAS.**

Colonel Hopper informed the Board First-Net is a congressionally approved mandate to develop a nation-wide first-responder cellular network which was approved by Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb in 2017, and the contract was given to AT&T. The network gives first-responders access to cellular service through a specialized network to be used in cases of emergency, eliminating their reliance on public network.

He stated AT&T would like to place three 27-foot, wooden cellular service poles on Hulman Field, adjacent to poles which are already in place, on the Air Base. Colonel Hopper informed the Board the placement of the pole was dependent upon a letter granting AT&T usage of Armory Board property.

Motion to approve the installation of the cellular poles was made by Sergeant Mahuron, seconded by Colonel Warrick, and carried.

**9. MR. JERRY HARTLEY WILL PRESENT A REQUEST TO ALLOW PURDUE UNIVERSITY TO ADOPT THE OAK TREE AT THE FRANKLIN ARMORY.**

Mr. Hartley introduced himself as the environmental manager and stated he had been asked about the health of the oak tree at the Franklin/Johnson County Armory, because there have been a few limbs fall from the tree, and there has been concern regarding ivy invading the tree. He stated Purdue University Urban Forestry Specialist Lindsey Purcell is interested in the tree and has proposed to determine the age of the tree, as well as improve the lightening protection.

Based off arboricultural industry standard Mr. Purcell has proposed to bring students from Purdue University to provide a free, five-year assessment of the tree and make recommendations for the health of the tree.

General Lyles recommended Mr. Hartley to appear later, and provide the Board with updates concerning the tree, and the progress Purdue University has made with its monitoring.

Motion to approve the adoption of the Franklin (Johnson County) Armory Oak Tree by Purdue University was made by Colonel Courtney, seconded by Colonel Warrick, and carried.

**10. MR. JEREMY LAFOUNTAIN WILL PRESENT A REQUEST TO PURCHASE TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR THE KESSLER ARMORY.**

Mr. LaFountain approached the Board for eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to purchase 148 chairs, 19 tables, as well as two (2) chair racks, and two (2) table carts.

General Lyles inquired as to whether Mr. LaFountain thought the Kessler Armory would be frequently used for rental purposes once the National Health Crisis was over. Mr. LaFountain replied there is great potential for the armory to be rented, given its location.

Motion to approve the request to purchases table and chairs for the Kessler Armory was made by Colonel Courtney, seconded by Colonel Warrick, and carried.

Colonel Silva interjected with the offer to establish a Local Armory Board for the Kessler Armory by affording them "seed-monies" of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Colonel Courtney made the motion to establish the Kessler Local Armory Board, seconded by Sergeant Mahuron, and carried.

**11. BRIGADIER GENERAL R. DALE LYLES, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, WILL BRIEF THE BOARD ON THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE (USAF) ESTABLISHING AN F-35 (LOCKHEED-MARTIN F-35 LIGHTNING II) FOREIGN MILITARY SALES TRAINING CENTER IN THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. HULMAN FIELD IS ONE OF THE SITES THE AIR FORCE HAS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.**

General Lyles approached the Board stating Hulman Field has been selected as one of five potential sites for a Foreign Military Sales and F-35 training program for the nations of Finland, Poland, Singapore, and Switzerland. He stated he is bringing this subject before the Board because it has the potential to generate revenue and be very beneficial to the Indiana National Guard.

Mr. Steve Hines from the Construction Facilities Management Office gave the brief on behalf of General Lyles. Mr. Hines stated there is an opportunity for Hulman Field to host a long-term Foreign Military Sales (FMS) location as well as a training center for the Lockheed-Martin F-35 Lightning II aircraft (F-35). He indicated the Republic of Singapore has F-16s which must depart Luke Air Force Base (AFB), Arizona by 2023—they have requested their twelve (12) F-16s be co-located at the F-35 FMS site. General Lyles emphasized the Singapore Air Force housing their aircraft in the Continental United States is due to the Republic of Singapore not having room in their country to house the aircraft.

Mr. Hines stated the Secretary of the Air Force (SecAF) has selected five (5) locations as candidate bases for the F-35 FMS; Hulman Field is one of those locations; a Basing Team will conduct a Virtual Site Survey (VSS) at Hulman Field between October 27<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup>. The VSS will assess operations, facilities, Logistics, munitions, base support, functions, aircraft maintenance, security, and medical services. Determination of the F-35 FMS location will be approved during the winter of 2020-2021.

Mr. Hines stated the selection of Hulman Field could afford the state of Indiana an \$800 million to \$1.2 billion economic impact over ten (10) years; an increase of 500 military/civilian employment positions; and a significant increase of Indiana air-range utilization.

Mr. Hines informed the Board of the Adjutant General's Strategy to Compete by providing the lowest cost to the FMS Program by maximizing existing facilities/infrastructure; leveraging host unit mission support; maximizing "blended" facilities; leveraging two (2) runways; maximizing ramp space, and compelling utilization of the Economic Opportunity Zone.

Mr. Hines indicated two (2) Courses of Action (CoA) to be considered should Hulman Field be selected for the F-35 FMS: the first being the 181<sup>st</sup> Intelligence Wing allow approximately twenty (20) under-utilized buildings be used to house the program. The second CoA would call for the Indiana Air National Guard to 'surrender' the use of Hulman Field to the F-35 FMS exclusively, meaning, the INANG would need to find a different location for the 181<sup>st</sup> Intel Wing. This CoA would also indicate the city of Terre Haute, as well as the Terre Haute Airport Authority who would need to help finding locations to

accommodate the incoming families who would be a part of organizations affiliated with the F-35 FMS program.

Mr. Hines elaborated on the CoAs, needing "common assistance" to compete for the acquisition of the F-35 FMS, those being: Military Construction (MilCon) funds to develop/modernize the facilities at Hulman Field. Five and one-half acres of ramp space, runway improvements, as well as community reliance/life support such as schools, houses of worship, medical facilities, housing, and childcare, as Hulman Field is not an active Air Force Base.

General Lyles indicated he felt there might be a need of financial support from the State Armory Board to 'tip the scale of influence' for this project as the Air Guard is aggressively pursuing measures for Hulman Field to become the location for the F-35 FMS. He indicated the potential for the State Armory Board gaining revenue should Hulman Field be selected as the location for the F-35 FMS. General Lyles is hopeful Hulman Field will be selected as he has the support of the governor's office, as well as the city of Terre Haute.

## **12. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no visitors from the public at this meeting.

## **13. REMARKS FROM THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:**

General Lyles provided a brief to the Board on the status of the Indiana National Guard.

He apologized for having been late to the meeting; however, he was required to be in a cabinet meeting with Suzanne Crouch, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Indiana.

General Lyles stated it was a 'great time to be a Hoosier,' as there are combined total of 1500 Indiana Air and Army Guardsmen on State Active Duty who are supporting six (6) to seven (7) states agencies, by providing assistance with reviewing housing applications, assisting at Department of Corrections facilities, and assisting at over 250 CoVid-19 testing sites. The Indiana National Guard has assisted in assuring there is no shortage of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) at all Indiana polling sites for the upcoming general election. He stated Guardsmen are



assisting in Long-term Care Health Facilities to allow health professions the freedom to conduct their normal duties.

General Lyles stated there has been an increase in recruiting and retention. October 1<sup>st</sup> will mark his one-year anniversary as the Adjutant General of Indiana.

**14. DATE/TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

There being no further business to conduct, motion was made by Colonel Courtney to adjourn the September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of the State Armory Board. Motion was seconded by General Henry and carried at 11:34 P.M.

The next state Armory Board Meeting will take place on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 o'clock in the Adjutant General's Conference room at Joint Forces Headquarters in Indianapolis.

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MG (RET) R. MARTIN UMBARGER, PRESIDENT

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BG R. DALE LYLES, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
SECRETARY-TREASURER