

**JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD  
RETIREE COUNCIL  
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1. The bi-monthly meeting of the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Retiree Council was held at Patriot's Landing, DuPont, Washington, on Thursday, 27 September 2012.
2. The meeting was called to Order at 1200 hours by Co-Chairman, MG (Ret) Daniel who announced that the proceedings were being recorded.
3. Minutes from the previous meeting on 26 July 2012 were approved.
4. Attendance:
  - a. Members Present:
    - MG Eugene L. Daniel, USA Retired, Co-Chairman
    - COL (CH) Lawrence Barry, USA Retired
    - COL Alphonso Knight, Jr., USA Retired
    - COL James F. Schoonover, USA Retired
    - COL Edward A. Starbird, USA Retired
    - LTC H "Gus" Schwartz, USA Retired
    - CSM Herbert Stumpf, USA Retired
    - CSM Herbert C. Schmeling, USA Retired
    - 1SG Grace Kendall, USA Retired
    - MSG Miguel Padilla, USA Retired
    - SFC Wally Potter, USA Retired
    - SFC Susan Woods, USA Retired
    - SSG J. W. Johnson, USA Retired
    - SSG Nancy Robbins, USA Retired
    - Mrs. Meryle Myatt, Widow's Representative
  - b. Members Absent:
    - CSM Lourdes Alvarado-Ramos, USA Retired, Co-Chairman
    - COL Julie A. Martin, USA Retired
    - COL David Slotwinski, USA Retired
    - LTC Christopher Gilmore, USA Retired
    - LTC John C. Levesque, USA Retired
    - SGM James A. "Tony" Woods, USA Retired

c. Others Present:

Mr. Alex Silva, Retirement Services Officer (RSO)

Mrs. Kathi Proctor, Asst RSO

Mr. Patrick McGhee, Exchange Manager

5. Old Business:

None

6. New Business:

- (a) Mr. Patrick McGhee, Exchange Manager, gave an overview of what the “new” exchange will look like for Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM)-Main. There will be additional stores on the outside. The Pharmacy Outlet will be built onto the end of the “new” Exchange. The parking lot will increase in number of parking slots and the slots will be angled for better parking. The Exchange will be part of the “Lifestyle Center” that is being added to JBLM. The Exchange expansion will add 5,500-feet and has been congressional approved. Mr. McGhee stated that approximately 70% of the JBLM population reside off-post and that 67% of the Exchange employees have a military affiliation. Mr. McGhee told the council members that the Exchange will continue to support the Retiree Appreciation Days (RAD’s).
- (b) The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) will be held 15-17 October 2012. COL (Ret) Barry and MSG (Ret) Padilla will be delegates for the Retiree Community. COL (Ret) Martin will be the Medical Subject matter Expert (SME) and Mr. Silva will be the SME for the Retiree Community. SSG (Ret) Johnson will attend as one of the AFAP Staff members.
- (c) Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD) 2013 questionnaire results were discussed. Members voted to continue to provide a guest speaker. The guest speaker will give their presentation around 0900-0930 hours instead of during the luncheon. Council members voted to continue to provide a catered meal for the luncheon. Various lunch menus were discussed: boxed lunches, sandwiches instead of a hot meal, soup and salad for a light meal. The council voted to continue having only 1 hangar set-up, with separate entrances and exits established. Mr. Silva will request a meeting with the Madigan Healthcare Systems (MHS) commander, Dr. Bruder, and Mr. Silva.
- (d) Mr. Silva reminded the council members to bring issues to the November meeting that will be voted on and sent forward to the Chief of the Army Retiree Council Meeting to be held in April 2013.

7. The Council meeting was adjourned at 1305 hours. The next Council meeting will be held on Thursday, 29 November 2012, at Patriot's Landing, DuPont, Washington.

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LOURDES ALVARADO-RAMOS  
Command Sergeant Major, USA Retired  
Co-Chairman, Joint Base Lewis-McChord  
Retiree Council

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EUGENE L. DANIEL  
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