

**21st Century Partnership Quarterly Meeting**  
**Friday, 13 September 2019**  
**10:00 a.m. Museum of Aviation**

Present: Sue Dryden, Randy Toms, Andi Mitchell, Jay Flesher, Robert Reichert, Glen Starlnecker, Bill Stembridge, Slayten Carter, Shavonda Hill, Marsha Buzzell, Bob Ray, Greg Ziesenhene, Steve Williams, Brad Fink, Laura Mathis, Marian Fraley, Darlene McLendon, Jim Taylor, Trish Ross, Mike Davis, Bob Hatcher, Shaw Blackmon, Gary Lee, Kimberly Lowe, April Bragg, Al Stewart, Ivan Allen, Chrissy Miner, Dan Slagle, Dan Rhoades, Jamie Cook, Pat Bridges

**Welcome**

Dan Slagle

The meeting officially opened at 10:07. Dan thanked everyone for attending and introduced legislative representatives.

**Prayer/Pledge**

Steve Williams

**Financial Reports**

Dan Slagle/Laura Mathis

**Chairman's Update**

Dan Slagle

Dan presented a thank you package and umbrellas to Andi Mitchell, MERC, for their latest contribution as a Platinum sponsor.

Shaw Blackmon spoke about the 34 bills that had been passed in Georgia making it one of the top Military Friendly States. He expressed many thanks to the Partnership for support.

**Chief Operations Officer Update**

Dan Rhoades

Dan gave an update on:

- DoD budget (no sequestration)
- Secretaries of Defense and Air Force
- Association of Defense Communities Summit
- Visits to Kessel Run and Augusta Cyber Center
- Defense Community Infrastructure Program
- US Senate Bill S.2115 – 180 Day Rule
- US House Bill H.R.3072 – License Reciprocity

## **STEM Outreach & Workforce Coordinator**

Jamie Cook

Jamie gave an update on:

- MGSA engagement with multiple school districts
- MGSA meeting with GC&SU, Mercer, CGTC
- Planning for HS summer internships with TAG-Ed
- Presentations to AFCEA meetings
- Collaboration with AFRC on Cyber Patriot
- Support for RAFB P4 Initiative on STEM
- FIRST Tech Challenge season Kickoff was 7 Sep
- STEMPALOOZA - Create Awareness of Career Opportunities for Students and Parents

## **President/CEO Update**

Chrissy Miner

Chrissy provided update on:

- Discontinued paid lobbying services on both federal and state levels, will reengage as necessary
- Shifted annual breakfast to every other year (2020) – smaller group will travel to D.C. on alternate years (November 2019) – participants will vary by discussion topics for trip
- Long term Strategic Planning for RAFB
- Fundraising is critical – potential donor referrals requested

## **Closing remarks**

Dan Slagle

Leadership is supportive on all levels; Congressional, Regional, RAFB. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Partnership has a great team and it is a great privilege to support RAFB

- The next 21<sup>st</sup> CP meeting is scheduled for 12 December 2019, GoodWill Industries
- Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.