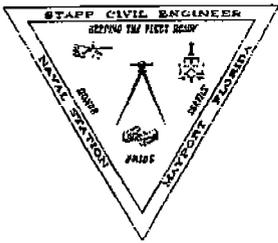


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MEMORANDUM

From: Cheryl Mitchell, Navy Co-Chair
To: RAB Members

Subj: MEETING MINUTES

1. Enclosed are the minutes from both the January 18, 1996 meeting (for those who don't already have a copy) and the February 15, 1996 meeting, and the agenda for the March 21, 1996 meeting. It is very important that all members attend the March meeting since final versions of the posters for the Availability Session will be presented and this will be the last opportunity to make revisions and provide input. Now that everyone has signed it, I have enclosed a copy of our Charter. You may want to review this since it has been so long since we drafted it. If you have any questions or comments, please call me at 270-6730 (x31). Thank you,

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NAVSTA MAYPORT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD

ORIENTATION MEETING FEBRUARY 15, 1996

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Martha Berry, USEPA
Jim Cason, FDEP
David Driggers, SOUTHNAVFACENGCOM
Cheryl Mitchell, Navy Co-Chair
Paul Perez
Bob Weiss, Community Co-Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Carver
Edwin Cordes
Patricia Lauderdale

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: The meeting minutes from February 15, 1996 were reviewed and approved.

III. GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Community members were asked to bring their questions and answers on the following reports so that we could reach closure: RCRA Facility Investigation, Group II SWMUs; Corrective Measures Study, Group II SWMUs; RCRA Facility Investigation, Group I SWMUs. Members present agreed that these reports would be approved by the members and should there be any remaining questions from members who were absent that they could be discussed and resolved at a later date. This approval is an acceptance by the members of the reports' contents and an understanding of the recommendations and conclusions that are presented.

2. Mr. Weiss wanted to know why cyanide was included in our testing - Mr. Hansen and Mr. Lesesne of ABB stated that it is listed in the inorganics testing group and there is a special test just for cyanide because it does not seem to "fit neatly" into this category usually associated with metals.

3. Mr. Weiss gave The Charter, which has now been signed by all original members, to Ms. Mitchell .

4. The NAVSTA Mayport video, "Caring for the Environment" was shown. The intent of the video was to showcase the environmental restoration program at NAVSTA as well as some of the "star" environmental programs and the history of the base. The video was designed to be used for community and environmental group presentations and to increase awareness of NAVSTA's restoration program. This tape will be shown at the Availability Session.

IV. AVAILABILITY SESSION - Further discussion was held on the tentative date and potential locations - April 11 had been discussed in the past and council chambers had been discussed. Times discussed for this

session were afternoon hours and early to late evening hours (potentially 3:00 -8:00 p.m.). However, the council chambers were not available on the 11th but it may be too small for this function. Other dates of the 16th and 9th were discussed as alternates. Mr. Weiss suggested looking into the Women's Club, and property near the Worth Gallery in Jax Beach. It would be preferable to find something a little closer to the community though. Ms. Mitchell agreed to still check with hotels in the area. USO was discussed (no parking and open, small and noisy). Navy Community Center (NO parking, afternoon session would interfere with children's hours). On base was not a good option since it would take too much time to get people on the base and then it would be difficult to give out maps to try and show the location of the session. Schools would not be available due to the late afternoon hours. St. Johns Catholic church and Community Presbyterian church were other options offered.***Since the meeting I have visited several hotels and have decided that the Sea Turtle Inn had the perfect set-up for our session which includes a large open room with a small side room where we can show the videotape without disrupting the rest of the presentations and a location that is easily recognizable as well as ample parking. They were booked on the 11th so I have scheduled Tuesday April 9 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Mr. Weiss checked with the members and all of them have this date available. Please mark your calendars now!***

Ashley Power of ABB-ES presented overheads and reduced-size hard copy versions of typical information that would be presented during our Availability Session. Pictures/maps of our endangered and threatened species, the colored wetlands and land-use delineation map, and the shoreline formation map were some of the examples. Mr. Weiss suggested that right whale sightings on the map may be beneficial, although I have seen a map of these sightings published by the Aquarium and it is VERY busy. "Sound bytes" presented on the posters would be enough to allow the person manning the station to expand on the information presented. Use of photographs were suggested to make the posters more visually appealing. To address the "how does this affect me" questions, it may be beneficial to have a separate station on risk assessment - this was agreed to, with possible explanations of what 1×10^{-6} is in everyday terms. This will address why we are or are not cleaning-up the sites. On the maps present the information as "bullets" (easier to read), remove some of the extraneous information from the maps - too busy for these purposes. Possibly present a map of just the sites that have remediation activities so the community will visually see where the contamination is located in reference to themselves. Info on the NELP innovative technologies will be presented as well - possibly just pictures and an explanation since the results will not be available at the time of the Session. Should we bring the public repository to the Session or have examples of the types of reports in the repository? Idea for one poster was to have pictures of the community members with their bio info - however the two community members present did not want their pictures displayed and recommended an alternative to identification - they could wear name tags of some sort that identify them as community members, which was agreed upon as the preferred method of individual identification while still displaying a group picture taken during a previous meeting.

Mr. Metzler (alternate member) spoke at this point and said that he was trying to think of this session from the standpoint of why someone would

be interested in coming, what topic would they be interested in, and how it that topic affects them personally. With these thoughts in mind, he suggested that potential audience members might be fisherman, environmental group advocates, casual passerby or visitors to the base during special events, and neighbors. Possibly highlight sites that require cleanup on an overall map to show where these areas are in reference to where these people live and work.

Continued open discussion - Will there be a set pattern or flow to viewing the stations? Maybe it would be beneficial to the public to have a logical progression of information tailored to match the format presented in the video. Who will be the target of the advertising for this session, are we pushing certain groups? We have an expanded mailing list and could possibly send special invitations to science teachers or home room teachers, rotary clubs and other community clubs (already on our mailing list) but make the invitations stand out to grab their attention - 8½" x 11" vs our normal postcards. A suggestion was raised by the community members recommending that an audience be chosen as a target so that the session could be better planned to address that audience - perhaps school children since they would bring their parents. [I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AT THIS TIME - NAVSTA WOULD LIKE TO TRY AND KEEP THE PRESENTATION GENERIC SO THAT EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND IT WITHOUT IT TARGETING ONE PARTICULAR GROUP. AFTERALL, THE INTENT OF THIS AVAILABILITY SESSION IS TO REACH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST A SPECIFIC GROUP WHICH IS ONE OF THE REASONS OUR MAILING LIST GOES TO EVERY IMAGINABLE REPRESENTATIVE/PARTICIPANT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY - SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, CIVIC GROUPS, POLITICAL BODIES AND THE NEWS MEDIA. ADDITIONALLY, NAVSTA NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO USE THESE PRESENTATIONS IN THE FUTURE FOR AUDIENCES CONSISTING OF VARIOUS TYPES OF PEOPLE AND CONCERNS.]

Mr. Metzler offered two "thermometers" for the presentation: the Navy League and the Beaches Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Weiss suggested that since there is not enough time to solicit these groups for their input into the process it might be possible to use them to help in the advertising. Mr. Metzler clarified his suggestion to recommend that these groups be used in the future for input into the presentation process.

During the next meeting there will be a final review of the information presented on the posters and a walkthrough of the potential layout of the session.

V. OTHER TOPICS: Mr. Cordes had requested at the last meeting to be returned to "alternate" member status due to several reasons. I have some reservations about changing members at this point in our program, mainly because of the proximity of the Availability Session. The investigation and cleanup program at NAVSTA is slowing down a little bit and I think that the meeting frequency will reflect this slow down in the program - perhaps meeting quarterly in the future. The RAB had discussed this topic in its early stages when discussing meeting frequency. Also, the direction of the RAB will have to be revisited at some point in the future. Even though I will be providing the new alternates with the information presented over the last year it is a far cry from being present during the discussions we have had over this time period. I also need to do some investigating to find out how other RABs have handled this transition. Mr. Weiss raised the point that if the meetings were less frequent, Mr. Cordes might be able to attend the

meetings because it would be a great loss of historical knowledge on the NAVSTA program in particular and technical knowledge in general if he is unable to remain a full-time member. We can discuss meeting on other nights as well as the meeting frequency during the meeting after the Availability Session - possibly May timeframe since we will be "meeting" April 9.

VI. DATE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING The next regularly scheduled RAB meeting is March 21, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. in the Atlantic Beach City Hall Council Chambers at 800 Seminole Road.

VII. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

AGENDA

NAVSTA Mayport Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

March 21, 1996, 6:30 p.m.

- ▶ **Welcome** Cheryl Mitchell/Bob Weiss

- ▶ **Presentation and Discussion
Availability Session** Ashley Power, ABB-ES

- ▶ **Other Topics** RAB Members