

MINUTES
Defense Acquisition University
Board of Visitors
January 25, 2012
Fort Belvoir, Virginia

Welcome. General Tuttle, Chairperson, and Mrs. Katrina McFarland, President, DAU, welcomed the Board members, DAU leadership and staff, and guests. General Tuttle informed the Board that this meeting was being conducted virtually in support of the Secretary of Defense's efficiency initiatives and invited their feedback about the effectiveness of this meeting format. Mrs. McFarland reiterated the importance of the university's role in improving the acquisition workforce, as well as the value of the board's guidance in the university's planning and performance. Mrs. McFarland asked that the board provide input to her on all the topics briefed at this meeting.

Certification to Qualification. Ms. Barbara Smith, Dean of the Mid-Atlantic Region, explained the concept of substantiating the proficiency of Defense Acquisition Workforce members through qualification rubrics in addition to the current certification based on DAWIA standards. The concept calls for acquisition, local command, and professional qualifications. There will be challenges in identifying measurable proficiencies in some cases, and DAU asked board members for their thoughts on these. Ms. Smith identified several candidate organizations for piloting and provided a schedule for planning, development, and implementation.

Distinguished Faculty. Mr. Robert Daugherty, Dean, Capital and Northeast Region, updated the board on the initiative to formalize recognition of distinguished teachers at DAU. Once implemented, faculty members with both subject matter expertise and excellent teaching skills can be nominated for such recognition. The team has collected faculty input to identify attributes, is defining rubric and method, and will draft program implementation criteria. Board members emphasized the importance of student input to identification of attributes and, through course/instructor evaluations, nomination of teachers. Board members also cautioned to keep the group of distinguished teachers small and to assign a term to the designation.

Mission Assistance. Mr. John Higbee, Executive Director, Mission Assistance, led a discussion about the current state of and future plans for Mission Assistance provided by DAU. Mission assistance includes consulting, targeted training, tailored training, and rapid deployment training. Customer demand continues to grow; requests increased in FY11 by 21% over FY10. Demand has increased a full 50% since FY07 and customer feedback is consistently positive. Mr. Higbee emphasized the collateral benefit of conducting mission assistance: DAU personnel bring currency and real-world issues back to the classroom while customers benefit from the expertise in resolving timely acquisition-related issues. Board members agreed that mission

assistance is a valuable learning asset provided by DAU and offers important exchange opportunities among the university, its customers, and industry.

Action Items:

1. The board will continue to provide insight and advice to DAU on these topics and others as requested by DAU leadership.
2. The board secretary will solicit feedback from the virtual attendees on the quality of this meeting and ways we might improve virtual meetings in the future.

Next Meeting. The next board meeting will take place on May 9, 2012, at the DAU Mid-Atlantic Region campus.

DECISION:

Approved:



Chairperson, DAU Board of Visitors

Date:

February 24, 2012

ATTENDEES
Defense Acquisition University
Board of Visitors

Meeting Date: January 25, 2012

Virtual Meeting Hosted from DAU Headquarters, Fort Belvoir, Virginia

Attending at Fort Belvoir:

CAPT Scot Abel, Deputy Director, Learning Capabilities Integration Center

Ms. Kelley Berta, Executive Secretary, DAU Board of Visitors

Ms. Susan Cote, Vice President, Corporate Contracts, Pricing, and Supply Chain,
Northrop Grumman Corporation

Mr. Bob Daugherty, Dean, DAU Capital and Northeast Region

Mr. John Higbee, Executive Director, DAU Mission Assistance

Mr. Joseph Johnson, DAU Chief of Staff

Mr. Michael Joyce, Senior Vice President, Operations and Program Management,
Lockheed Martin

Mr. Jim McCullough, Dean, DAU South Region

Mrs. Katrina McFarland, President, DAU

Dr. Jim McMichael, Vice President, DAU

Mr. Tim Shannon, Director, DAU Learning Capabilities Integration Center

Ms. Barbara Smith, Dean, DAU Mid-Atlantic Region

Mr. Travis Stewart, Dean, DAU Midwest Region

GEN William G.T. Tuttle, USA (Ret), Consultant

RADM Lenn Vincent, USN (Ret), Industry Liaison, National Defense Industrial Association

Mr. Mark Whiteside, Director, DAU Performance and Resource Management

Dr. Roy Wood, Dean, DAU Defense Systems Management College

Mr. Andy Zaleski, Dean, DAU West Region

Attending virtually:

Ms. Karen Barley, President, Corporate University Enterprise, Inc.

BGen Michael Brogan, USMC (Ret), Senior Vice President, Systems Engineering and
Advanced Technology (SEAT), ManTech International Corporation

Mr. Norman Kamikow, President and Editor in Chief, MediaTec Publishing, Inc.

Maj Gen Erwin Lessel III, USAF (Ret), Director, Deloitte Consulting LLP

Gen Ron Yates, USAF (Ret), Consultant