

Meeting Minutes:

- **Meeting Kick-Off** – Jim Lasswell and Dr. Ray Moberly
- ❖ **NDIA National:** Kea Matory (Legislative Policy Director)
 - Challenges on The Hill have of course increased in light of recent events, but with the seating of the new Congress, NDIA National is beginning to work on legislative priorities. If you have any input on those priorities for FY22 you should feel free to submit them (kmatory@ndia.org).
 - The FY21 NDAA did not see inclusion of any major priorities of NDIA's.
 - CARES 3610 was extended through March. They are working to see if it can be extended beyond even that, and more so to create provisions for SecDef to employee such provisions any time (not just for the pandemic) there is an emergency that restricts the ability of normal work activity.
 - PPP received additional funding opening up an opportunity if you have not previously gained this loan.
 - Liability protections for COVID-related issues was not included in the relief package.
 - Flattening of the budget is expected, and DoD is expected to turn a greater emphasis to Climate Change considerations.
 - Cybersecurity – The NDAA had 26 provision from the Cyberspace Solarium Commission with an emphasis on A.I..
 - They have not seen anything on the potential one-year 8(a) extension.
- ❖ **Past Conference:** Terry McKearney
 - Looking for feedback from attendees of Gold Coast and the Fall Forum as to highpoints, not-so-highpoints on the “virtual” conduct of these events. Input will help determine what is most important in this format, and as a result, which Virtual Conference Platform should be used. So this is very important for ensuring you get the most out of these events – Please provide feedback.
 - What are your priorities; Virtual Booths? Virtual Matchmaking? Ability to easily network with any other attendee? Virtual Meeting Rooms for impromptu and scheduled meetings?
 - The next Gold Coast *is* being planned as virtual with the remaining uncertainty.
 - As always **Volunteers Are Needed!!** Please reach out to Terry or Frank Muller to offer to help.
- ❖ **Cyber/CMMC Update:** Chris Newborn (DAU)
 - DFARS Case 2019-D041-Interim Rule has come out and requires two things:
 - 7019 called out that Contractors must make sure they upload their Self-Assessment into the Supply Chain Database.
 - 7020 lays out that the government can request additional assessments at a higher CMMC level
 - See Slide 34 in attached PPT from Chris.
 - Alert – OSD has been telling many procurement activities to insert the DFARS 252.204-7012 clause into contracts blindly, whether there is CUI involved or not. This is of course causing consternation among the contractors for whom this has never been in their contract before and is not applicable.

- Chris's Recommendation – Don't face off with the Contracting Officer since this could delay your contract. Accept the Delivery Order, but draft a letter stating that in receiving this order you notice that this clause is included unlike the previous contract, and that you understand in order for this to be applicable there has to be CUI involved. That in fact you do not have CUI involved and to please respond within 10 days and that if they do not you will assume this is the requirement.

❖ **NAVWAR OSBP:** Dan DeConso

- Angela King has retired, so there is currently a vacancy. However it remains to be seen whether a "seat" may be needed to benefit one of the new large projects launched by Admiral Smalls, such as "Overmatch", whether in OSBP or elsewhere.
- Virtual Events pending potentially at the OSBP or Command level, potentially with coordination from OSBP in D.C., but nothing solid to report yet.
- Dan is currently trying to initiate analysis of metrics around Small Business usage at NAVWAR within the limitations of the pandemic environment and lessening Navy spend (But is it having an impact on the ultimate spend at NAVWAR towards Small Business?). Last year the dollars to small business actually increased in the face of lessening spend, but only an analysis of **current** trends can tell is there is work to be done this year on meeting goals.
- Please be aware that in the midst of difficulties with their phone system/coverage, email remains a very reliable way to get in touch with them:
 - daniel.deconzo@navy.mil
 - tuan.doan@navy.mil
 - mary.lake@navy.mil

❖ **Small Business Forum**

- Virtual format is somewhat of a boon to this effort as it makes it easier for host to bring all relevant personnel together, as opposed to them having to congregate at one location.
- SBC is currently looking to conduct the next one, so any ideas on or connections to a Prime to pursue are welcome.

❖ **Small Business Committee appoints new Co-Chairperson**

- Kurt Worden has joined to assist in the leadership of the committee. A big Thank You for his willingness to help continue the great work we are doing together with Small Business.

❖ **TEAR Conference**

- Have been requested by NIWC PAC to take over AR/VR Conference, which we are doing.
- Strongly recommended to attend if you have any interest in Augmented/Virtual Reality utilization in Military/Government Training.
- Looking for industry to show up with any of their tools or ideas that are applicable to this arena.
- There is a big emphasis now on combining Live and Virtual resources into same training action which is going to require a major upgrade in technology, so take advantage of this conference if applicable.
- Conference Registration - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ndia-sd-tear-3m-arvr-2021-conferencevirtual-individual-registration-registration-133140383471>

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