MEETING: Board of Trustees, Georgia Military College, Sibley-Cone Library, Monday, July 9, 2001, 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Randall A. New, Chairman of the Board; Members: Thomas L. Davidson, Jr., George Hogan, Al Martinez, Jr., and Carolyn T. Thomas; Ben R. Roberts, Advisory Member to the Board; MG Peter J. Boylan, President of Georgia Military College; and other interested parties.

ABSENT: John W. Grant, Jr., and Frank Pendergast.

BUSINESS:  
1. Chairman of the Board, Randall A. New, having declared a quorum to be present, called the meeting to order.

2. Ms. Thomas moved that the minutes of the meeting on April 9, 2001, be approved. Mr. Hogan seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

3. Dr. Davidson reported that the Finance Committee met prior to this meeting and found everything to be in good order.

4. Mr. Bo Edwards, Director of Lockerly Arboretum; Mr. Charlie Hall, Plan Designer with W. R. Toole Engineers, Inc.; Mr. Eddie Lipscomb, Trustee of Lockerly Arboretum; Mr. Murali Thirumal, Educational Director of Lockerly Arboretum; and Mr. Bill Harrison, Director of the Baldwin County Industrial and Development Authority, briefed the Board on plans for the Greenway Project.

5. LTC Ed Moore updated the Board on construction projects for Georgia Military College. A copy of his report is attached and made a part of these minutes.

6. Mr. Bruce Dempster reported that Alumni Weekend will be November 2-4, 2001.

7. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

General Boylan requested the Board’s approval of a resolution of support for the establishment of a Greenway Project that traverses property owned by Georgia Military College. Dr. Davidson made the motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous vote.

General Boylan reported that the Joint Study Committee consisting of Senator Faye Smith, Senator Jack Hill, Senator George Hooks, Representative Bobby Parham, Representative Ken Birdsong, and Representative Dubose Porter, and three members to be appointed by the Governor, for the purpose of examining the relationship between Georgia Military College and the State of Georgia, is expected to begin deliberations in August. The committee will be provided an information brochure, a draft copy of which was provided to the Board for review.

General Boylan reported that plans for NAB II (Whitfield Hall replacement) are currently being modified and displacement plans are being developed.
Fall enrollments are projected to be the largest in many years. General Boylan expects to pursue the construction of a new barracks within the next year or so if enrollments continue to increase.

The junior college athletic director has been tasked to field a women’s soccer team this fall. Participants will include both cadets and day students.

The junior college golf team placed ninth in the nation in competition this year. The Mason Cup ceremony is scheduled for July 24 at 6:30 p.m.

The high school basketball program, under the direction of Coach Bill Hodges, is going well, with increased participation over the last several years.

Cost data is being put together for the redesign/renovation of a cinema in Valdosta, which will replace the current downtown location. Details will be provided to the Board in October. General Boylan also reported that work with the National Science Center Foundation in Augusta is currently on hold.

COL Jim LeBrun briefed the Board concerning the Governor’s requirement that schools create school councils and, specifically, plans for creating a Georgia Military College Middle/High School Council. A copy of COL LeBrun’s presentation is attached and made a part of these minutes.

8. MR. MARTINEZ MADE THE MOTION THAT THE BOARD MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AN ANNUAL EVALUATION OF THE PRESIDENT’S PERFORMANCE. Mr. Hogan seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

9. Mr. New named the following Board members to serve on a committee to review the President’s current contract and salary package: Mr. New, Dr. Davidson, and Mr. Hogan. The committee will provide the Board with a recommendation at the next meeting.

10. The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for October 8, 2001.

11. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Randall A. New
President

Carolyn T. Thomas
Secretary-Treasurer

Reviewed by: MG Peter J. Boylan (Ret.)
President, Georgia Military College