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**Kelly Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)**

**Meeting Agenda**

Monday, April 26, 2004 - 6:30 p.m.

Kennedy High School Auditorium

1922 S. General McMullen

RAB Co-chairs

Mr. Ruben Peña, Community

Mr. Adam Antwine, AFRPA

**Meeting Goals**

The RAB will:

- Advise and comment on former Kelly Air Force Base environmental matters/documents
- Receive updates on environmental remediation projects

I. Roll call begins at 6:30 p.m.

- Community Co-chair will convene the meeting
- Approve January, February, and March 2004 RAB meeting minutes
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of silence
- Welcome and introductions
- Discuss goals for this meeting
- Review supplemental packages

Dr. David Smith  
Mr. Adam Antwine

Dr. David Smith

II. Election/Appointment of a RAB Community Co-Chair

Dr. David Smith

III. Environmental Cleanup Progress update

Mr. Doug Karas

IV. Break

V. Operating Guidelines update

Mr. Ruben Peña  
Mr. Pete Muzquiz

VI. Community comment time

- Persons turning in a speaker's card may have up to 3 minutes

VII. Announcements

- Community update on events and issues relevant to their constituencies
- BRAC Cleanup Team update
- Greater Kelly Development Authority update
- Metro Health update
- Air Force Real Property Agency update

Community Members

Mr. William Ryan  
Mr. Gary Martin  
Mr. Sam Sanchez  
Mr. Adam Antwine

VIII. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Address action items from previous meeting
- Review action items from current meeting
- Next RAB meeting proposed for Tuesday, May 11, 2004, at 6:30 p.m.
- Next TRS meeting proposed for Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at the Environmental Health and Wellness Center at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. David Smith

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**Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting Minutes**  
**Former Kelly Air Force Base, TX**  
**Kennedy High School**

**April 26, 2004**

**Attendees:**

Mr. Ruben Peña, RAB Community Co-Chair  
Mr. Daniel Gonzales, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Rodrigo Garcia, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Henry Galindo, RAB Community Representative  
Ms. Esmeralda Galvan, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Sam Murrah, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Michael Sheneman, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Nazirite Perez, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Robert Silvas, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Pete Muzquiz, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Armando Quintanilla, RAB Community Representative Alternate  
Mr. George Rice, RAB Community Representative  
Ms. Carol Vaquera, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Adam Antwine, RAB Government Co-Chair, Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA)  
Mr. William Ryan, AFRPA  
Mr. Douglas Karas, AFRPA  
Ms. Larisa Dawkins, AFRPA  
Ms. Norma Landez, AFRPA  
Mr. Sam Sanchez, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health)  
Ms. Linda Kaufman, Metro Health  
Mr. Gary Miller, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
Mr. Mark Weegar, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)  
Ms. Abigail Power, TCEQ  
Mr. Brendan Smith, Booz Allen Hamilton (Booz Allen)  
Ms. Megan Mabee, Booz Allen  
Ms. Christine Best, Booz Allen  
Ms. Susan Hook, Booz Allen  
Ms. Stephanie Trevino, Booz Allen  
Mr. Hugh Farr, Booz Allen  
Dr. David Smith, Smith/Associates (Facilitator)  
Ms. Brittany Watts, Smith/Associates  
Mr. Joe Acord  
Mr. Glen Wilkinson  
Ms. Julie Wallace  
Ms. Blanca Hernandez  
Ms. Susan White  
Ms. Anna Gonzales  
Ms. Delia Silva  
Mr. Ben Galvan

Ms. Belinda Silvas  
Ms. Debbie Suarez  
Mr. Tom Smith  
Ms. Rose Ramos  
Ms. Gloria Ramos-Cortes  
Mr. Adrian Cortes  
Mr. Gilbert Ramos  
Mr. Don Barker  
Mr. Richard Zunisa  
Ms. Charmaine Marin  
Mr. Tony Hoffman  
Ms. Jill Johnston  
Mr. Jeffrey Aguillon  
Ms. Jennifer Billings  
Ms. Bonnie Webber  
Mr. Reynaldo Martinez  
Ms. Gina Castaneda  
Ms. Elizabeth Gomez  
Mr. Edward Morales  
Mr. Gilbert Sosa  
Ms. Tanya Tapia  
Ms. Michele Mendez  
Ms. Angela Tann  
Mr. John Tinder  
Ms. Michele Marshall  
Ms. Shannon Gutierrez  
Ms. Sylvia Rodriguez  
Ms. Kristen Lagow  
Mr. Greg Pilly  
Ms. Celida Martinez  
Ms. Michelle Lopez  
Ms. April Esquivel  
Mr. James Wittmer  
Mr. Stan Guyewski  
Mr. Matthew Kraus  
Ms. Paula Romo  
Ms. Lupe Reyes  
Mr. Linden Till  
Mr. Vince Quintanilla  
Mr. Felix Campos  
Ms. Patricia Pearson  
Mr. Matthew Yasta  
Mr. Alfredo Odluna  
Ms. Tasha Gonzales

**Members Absent:**

Ms. Sandra Converse, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Mike DeNuccio, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Gary Martin, Greater Kelly Development Authority (GKDA)  
Mr. Paul Person, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Nicolas Rodriguez, Bexar Metropolitan Water District  
Mr. Sergio Rodriguez, RAB Community Member

The meeting began at 6:36 p.m.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

#### **Dr. David Smith**

Dr. David Smith welcomed all the RAB members and meeting attendees. He explained that due to the RAB community co-chair elections on tonight's agenda, Mr. Adam Antwine would be opening the meeting in place of the former community co-chair, Mr. Ruben Peña.

Mr. Antwine called the meeting to order. He asked for the approval of the January, February, and March 2004 RAB meeting minutes. Mr. Robert Silvas requested that they go back and make changes to the October 2003 meeting minutes. He claimed that they were never approved with his changes. Mr. Antwine said the RAB could not go back to reapprove minutes that have already been voted on at a previous meeting. He added that he would be happy to accept any recommended changes Mr. Silvas wanted to make on behalf of those minutes, but the RAB needed to focus on approving the minutes at hand. Mr. Silvas stated that there was never a consensus made to approve those minutes. Mr. Antwine added that he would be happy to review the meeting tapes and minutes to confirm Mr. Silvas' claim. Mr. Dan Gonzales made a motion to vote on the January, February, and March meeting minutes. Mr. Sam Murrah seconded the motion. Mr. Silvas and Mr. Nazirite Perez opposed and abstained from the approval of the minutes. However, the remaining members proceeded to approve the minutes.

Mr. Antwine led the RAB in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Dr. Smith discussed the goals for the meeting and the contents of the supplemental packets.

### **Election/Appointment of RAB Community Co-Chair**

#### **Dr. David Smith**

Dr. Smith invited RAB members to make nominations for the community co-chair. Mr. Pete Muzquiz nominated Mr. Peña. Mr. Gonzales seconded the nomination. Mr. Silvas nominated Mr. Sergio Rodriguez (not present) and Mr. Perez seconded that nomination. Mr. Murrah motioned to close the floor to nominations and Mr. Gonzales seconded.

Mr. Silvas expressed interest in discussing Mr. Rodriguez's nomination. He proceeded to ask Mr. Peña to answer a few questions. Mr. Peña stated that he thought it was unfair to have only one nominee present to answer questions that both candidates should have to address. Mr. Silvas asked what the length of the term is for the community co-chair. Dr. Smith replied that the term was one year in duration. Mr. Silvas made a motion to postpone the election until the May 11 RAB meeting. Ms. Esmeralda Galvan seconded the motion.

A motion was made on whether to vote and fill the co-chair position at this meeting or to wait until the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion resulted in seven people moving to select a co-chair at this meeting, which was voted on and passed.

Mr. Silvas asked what the qualifications are for the co-chair position. Mr. Peña stated that there are not any specific qualifications other than being a RAB member. Mr. Silvas asked if Mr. Peña is an American citizen. Mr. Peña announced that today is his birthday and he was born in Kingsville, Texas, in 1955. Eight community representatives voted to elect Mr. Peña as community co-chair. There were two votes for Mr. Rodriguez and two people abstained. Dr. Smith announced that Mr. Peña had been re-elected as community co-chair.

### **Environmental Progress Update**

#### **Mr. Doug Karas**

Mr. Karas provided a brief update concerning the final sampling results of wells around the plume. He said the Air Force samples the groundwater every year to ensure that the systems are working properly. A community member asked how long some of these systems will be in place. Mr. Karas said about forty percent of the sites are closed. He stated that by 2010 the Air Force expects to have around 93 percent closed. He said seven percent of the sites required long term monitoring and would not close for some time. Mr. Karas stated that the Air Force will continue to test every year to ensure the success of the cleanup systems.

Mr. Silvas asked if there was any testing for porcelain in the groundwater, air, or soil. Mr. Karas said he could provide the Site S-7 closure report to Mr. Silvas. He added that this document contained the evaluation information of the site upon closure that might help answer Mr. Silvas' question.

Ms. Galvan asked when the permeable reactive barriers (PRBs) are going to be installed at Commercial Street. Mr. Karas said they are scheduled to be in place this summer. Ms. Galvan added that the maps in the presentation packets are hard to read. She requested better copies of the maps.

Mr. George Rice asked Mr. Karas about the success of the PRBs in the community. Mr. Karas said that he could not speak specifically to the data, but that he could get the information for him. Mr. Rice said he would like to schedule a tour with Mr. Karas and another person who could help explain the PRBs to him.

### **Operating Guidelines Update**

#### **Mr. Ruben Peña**

Mr. Peña recognized two visiting groups: the environmental nursing students from the University of Texas Health Science Center, and a group of students from a toxicology class at Palo Alto Community College.

Mr. Peña thanked everyone who attended the March RAB workshop. He stated that at that workshop, three RAB members were identified to form a task committee to review the current RAB guidelines and discuss potential revisions.

Mr. Garcia stated that he has been involved because he feels there are a lot of situations that need to be redefined. Ms. Galvan, as well as Mr. Silvas, asked why the operating guidelines were being revised. Mr. Peña replied that Mr. Silvas had the option to attend the workshop, and that his input can be voiced later before the operating guidelines are voted upon. Mr. Muzquiz asked the RAB to review the addendum to the guidelines in their binders and bring their revisions to the next meeting for discussion and vote.

### **Community Comment Time**

#### **Dr. David Smith**

Dr. Smith announced the community comment time. He reminded the community that each speaker would have three minutes to speak, and Ms. Brittany Watts would be timing them.

Mr. Armando Quintanilla stated that he has lived in the surrounding community since 1952 and was a member of the RAB until 2002. He expressed that he thought the facilitator was not allowing the community the opportunity to speak. Mr. Quintanilla suggested that the operating guidelines do need revising, but thought the RAB should wait until the new *Draft Revised Proposed RAB Rule, January 2004* becomes effective. He said that the TRS committee should be meeting more often. He mentioned that the Kelly Community Involvement Plan (CIP) illustrated that the surrounding community has no trust in the RAB or the Air Force and that the Air Force is not accountable to the community. He stated that it reinforced his disappointment in the RAB. He concluded that the RAB needs to reach out to the community and let them be heard.

The other nine individuals who turned in cards announced that they each chose to donate their three minutes to Mr. Glen Wilkinson. Dr. Smith stated that the culmination of speakers equals 27 minutes of community comment time.

Mr. Wilkinson said he was brought up in Corpus Christi, Texas, and worked at Kelly in the past. He said he knows Agent Orange was sold in 1974 by Texas Surplus to the Sabine River Authority. He stated that he believes there were two warehouses at the former Kelly AFB where barrels of Agent Orange were stored. He added that he thinks the Air Force and the state are covering it up.

Mr. Rice asked the Air Force to look into these allegations and have someone give a brief report of it at the next meeting. He asked Mr. Mark Weegar if he knew anything about this.

Mr. Weegar stated that he is aware of the old Site S-7. He added that this is the first time he has heard about the potential that Agent Orange was stored in warehouses at Kelly. He said there is nothing wrong with the chemical being stored there. He said if it had been disposed of improperly, TCEQ would have known about it. He recommended Mr. Wilkinson talk to the Air Force to get clarification on the warehouses.

Mr. Weegar motioned to have the Air Force evaluate the Environmental Baseline Survey (EBS) report at the next meeting to see if there is a documentation of warehouses in which Agent Orange might have been stored. Mr. Rice seconded the motion and it became an action item.

Ms. Gloria Ramos-Cortez asked to use the last six minutes of Mr. Wilkinson's unused time. Mr. Peña explained to Ms. Cortez that the community comment time is not set up to address or answer questions. Ms. Cortez reiterated that she was speaking for her family members. Mr. Peña explained the community comment time process: the board listens to the community comments, takes notes, discusses them, and then outlines a way to address them. He added that it is very difficult to answer questions or respond to concerns immediately after they have been voiced.

Mr. Rice asked to clarify the previous motion. He said he wanted the action item to state all instances where Agent Orange may have been used or stored at Kelly. There was no opposition, and the motion passed.

Mr. Silvas made a motion to have an expert from the Veterans Administration Hospital come and brief the RAB about Agent Orange. Ms. Galvan seconded the motion. The board voted and the motion passed to become an action item for the next meeting.

#### **Announcements**

Mr. Sam Sanchez stated that Metro Health is having a workshop on June 26, 2004 at Our Lady of the Lake University to address community health issues. Mr. Silvas asked if there could be an expert on Agent Orange there. Mr. Sanchez stated that there are health experts that can address that topic at the workshop.

Ms. Norma Landez introduced herself and reported the BRAC meeting results since February 2004.

Mr. Sanchez discussed the air quality monitoring conducted by Zephyr Environmental during the installation of the PRBs. He said that the report on their findings might be available by the May meeting. He added that there are not any air quality monitors on the south side of San Antonio. He said they are working on getting monitors installed so they can start getting information on the air quality in the area.

Mr. Garcia mentioned that he has continually requested information from the federal regulators on the air pollution studies and air quality reports in the area. He reminded Mr. Antwine to keep him updated on this issue.



Mr. Antwine said that he will discuss Mr. Garcia's concerns with him later. He added that he wanted to mention that air quality is a big concern not just for Kelly, but for the entire city. He said the issue of air monitoring stations is a valid question, but the Air Force cannot answer all air emission concerns. He stated that the RAB is awaiting the past air emissions report from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). Mr. Antwine mentioned that he expects this report to address how the air might have been affected in the past.

Mr. Quintanilla reiterated his earlier statement that the community does not trust the Air Force. He stated that it is the RAB's job to change this view. Mr. Antwine and Mr. Quintanilla exchanged opinions concerning the scope of the RAB and the amount of money the Air Force has spent to clean up the surrounding community.

Mr. Antwine expressed frustration with the opinions that Mr. Quintanilla had voiced. He later apologized for his comments and asked the community and the board members to realize the Air Force is doing its best to clean up the area around Kelly. He added that the Air Force does keep the health and safety of all individuals in mind while doing so. He added that Public Center for Environmental Health (PCEH) is available to answer any health related concerns.

Mr. Sanchez stated that the ATSDR past air emissions report should be released this summer.



#### **Action Items for May 2004 RAB Meeting**

- Air Force will evaluate the EBS for references to storage of Agent Orange at Kelly
- The Air Force will invite a Veterans Affairs (VA) Administration expert to brief the community on Agent Orange at the next RAB meeting
- The RAB Executive Committee will decide how spill report summaries should be reported to the RAB.

Dr. Smith reminded all the RAB members and attendees of the upcoming RAB and TRS meetings. Mr. Silvas reminded the community that the RAB was trying to do its best to serve the communities around the former base.

Mr. Garcia stated that he had been sick, but that he was trying to do his best to serve his community. He added that the board member's emotions should be kept under control at all times during these meetings because there was a lot of work to do and much more to do in the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



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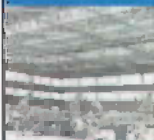

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# Environmental Cleanup Progress Update

## April 2004

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## Contents

- Chemicals of concern
- Shallow groundwater
- Major Source Areas
- Plume Data
- Statistics
- Contact Information

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### Primary Chemicals of Concern In the Shallow Groundwater

- Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) – a common chemical, used in dry cleaning and degreasing metal parts
  - used at Kelly as a solvent and degreaser of airplane motors
  - entered the shallow groundwater from previously approved disposal practices, leaks, and spills
- Trichloroethylene (TCE) – a common chemical, used in adhesives, paint removers, spot removers, typewriter correction fluids and to degrease metal parts
  - primary chlorinated solvent used on Kelly to clean and degrease aircraft component parts
  - entered the shallow groundwater as a result of previously approved disposal practices, leaks, and spills

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### Primary Chemicals of Concern Continued

- Dichloroethylene (DCE) and Vinyl Chloride (VC) – are the breakdown products of PCE and TCE
  - Commonly used in manufacturing
  - Perfumes, dyes, and plastics

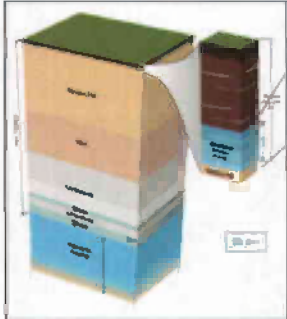

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## The Shallow Groundwater





Ground surface (approx 15-40 ft above)

Shallow Groundwater Zone (approx. 4 ft.)

- Not a source of drinking water
- Located 15 to 40 feet below the surface of the soil
- Separated from the Edwards Aquifer by 1,000 feet of clay, rock, sand, and silt

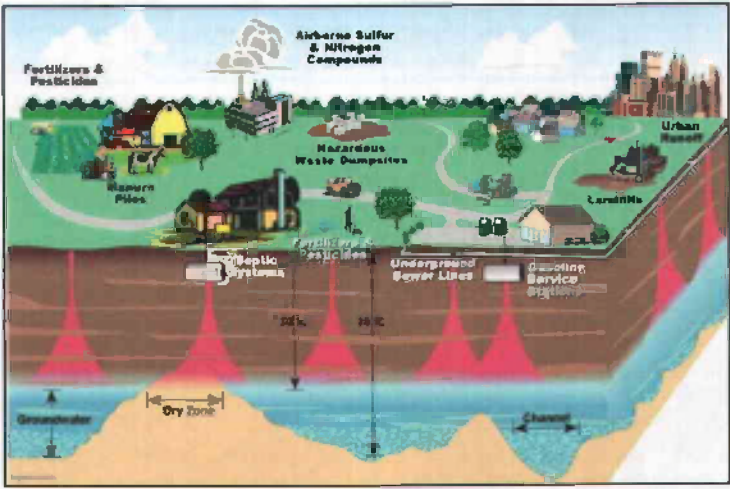
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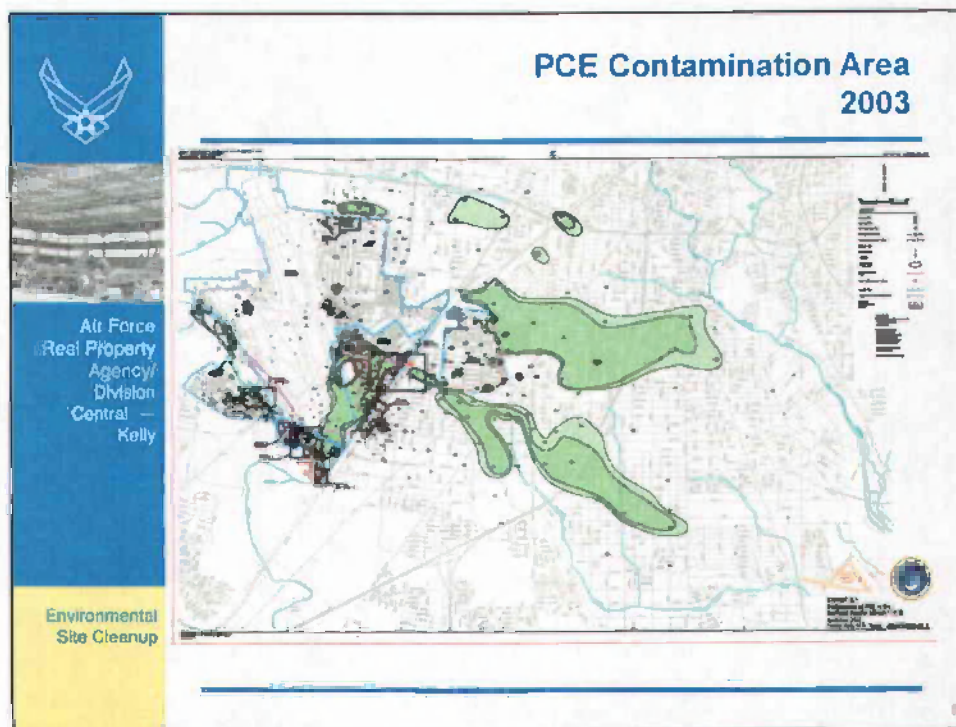
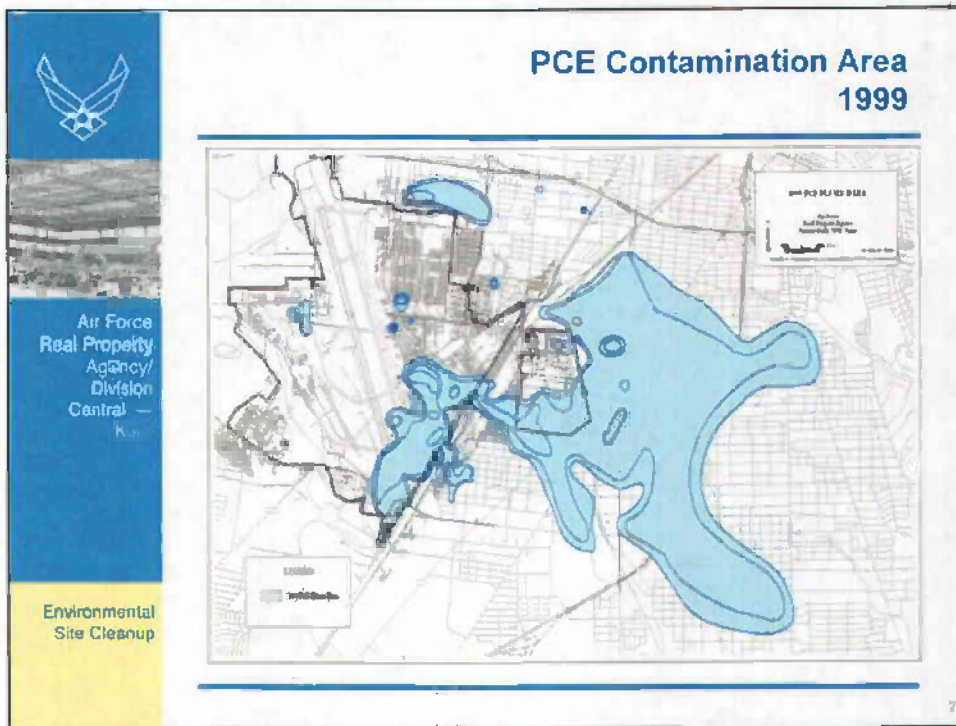
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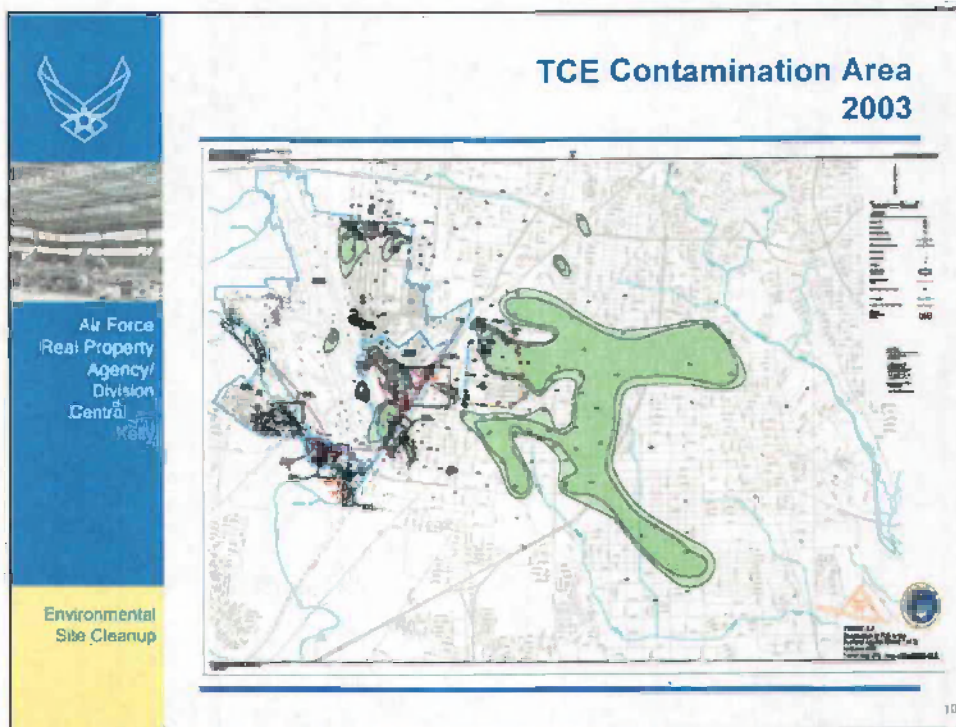
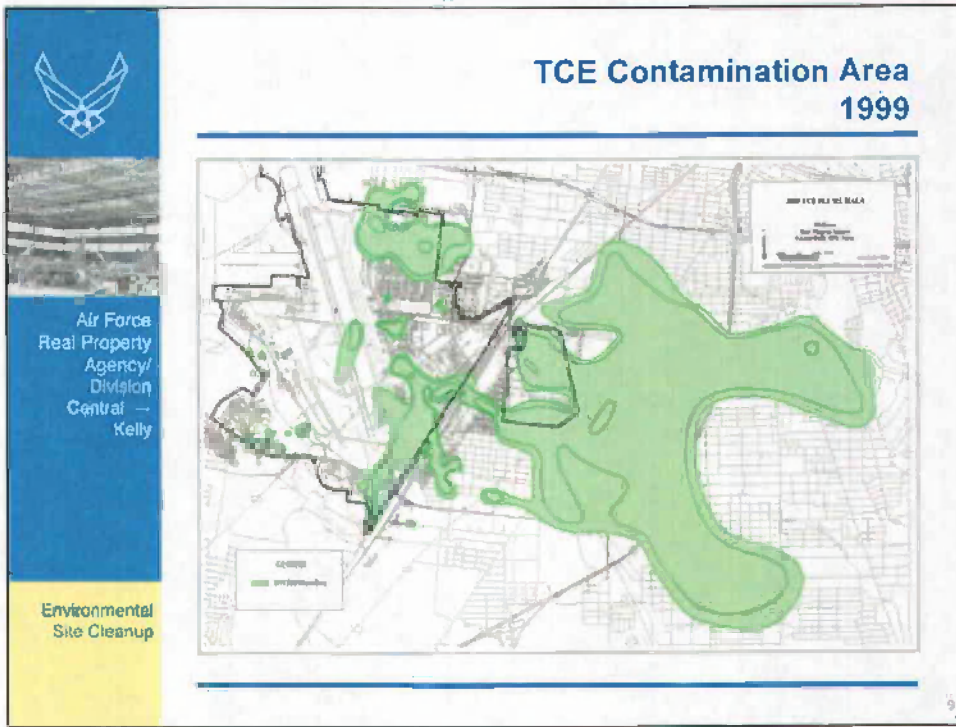
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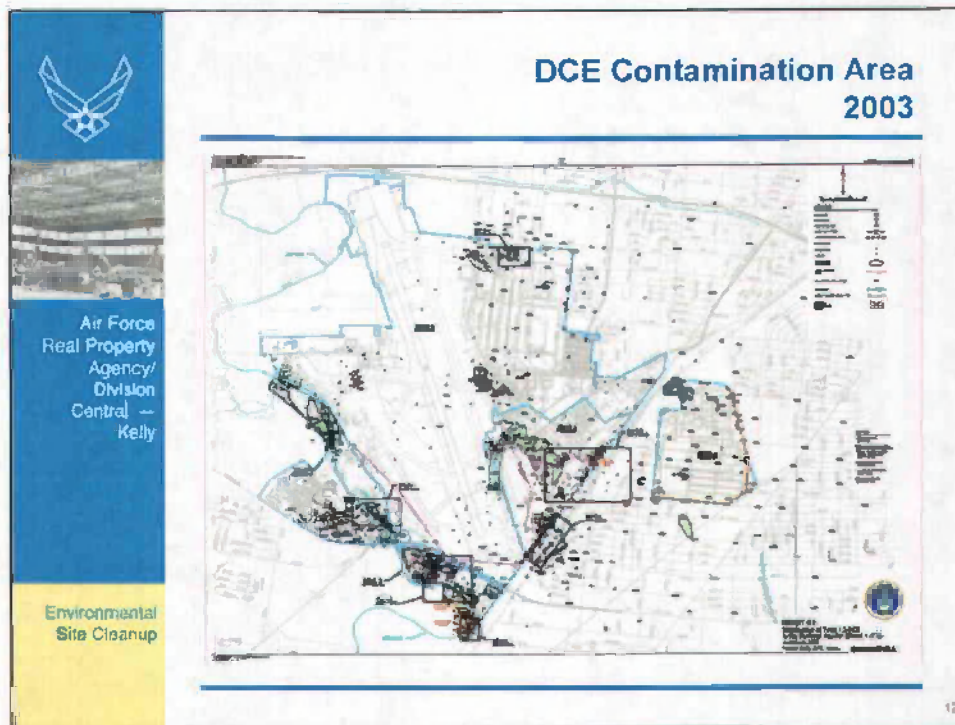
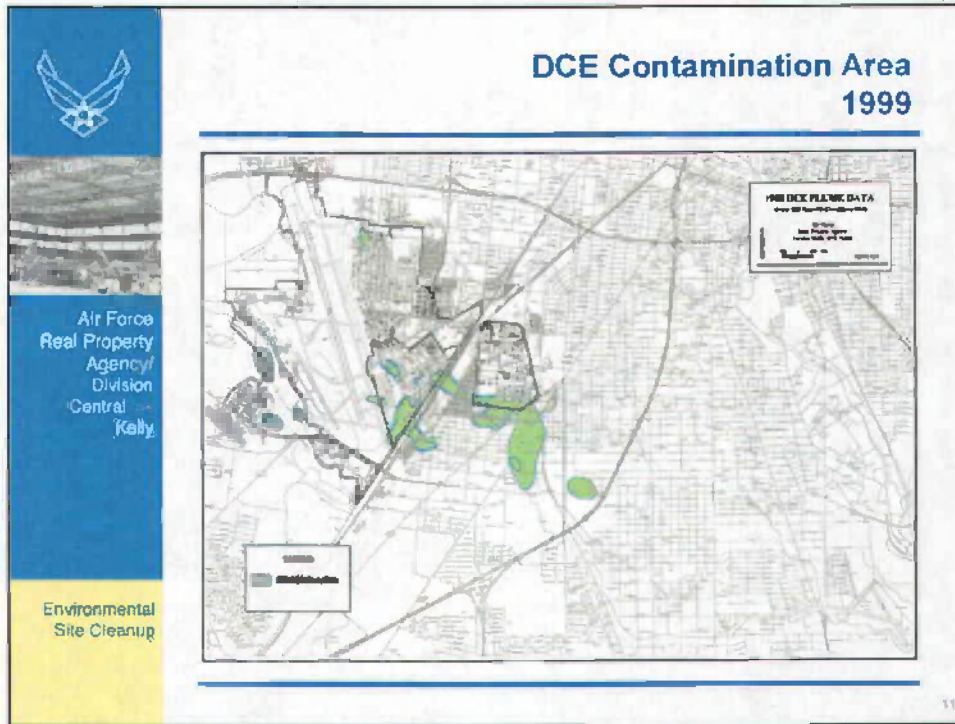
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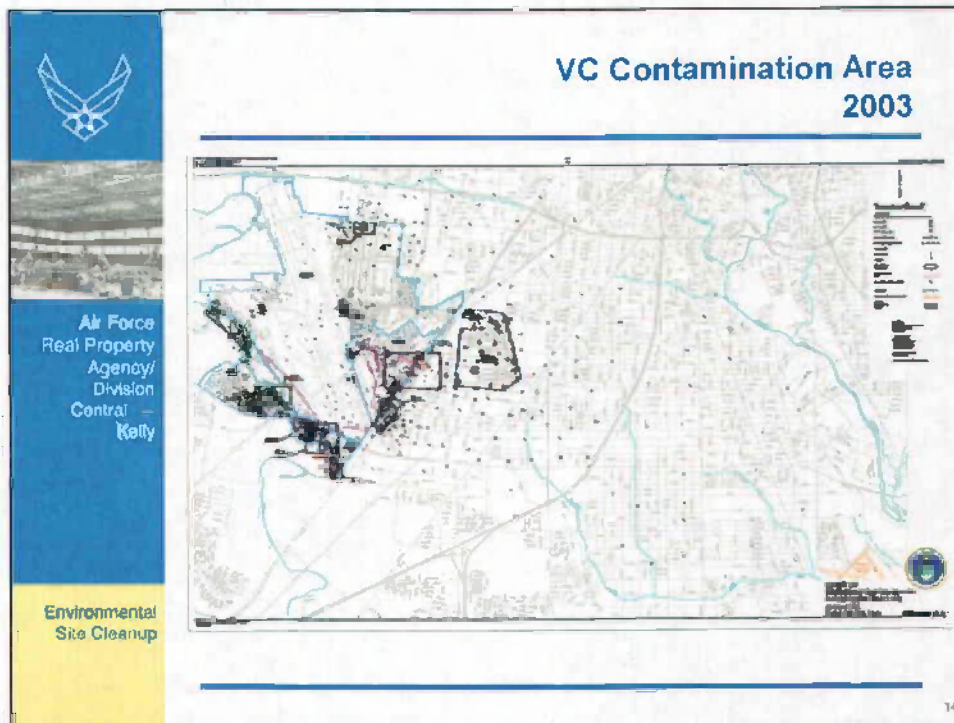
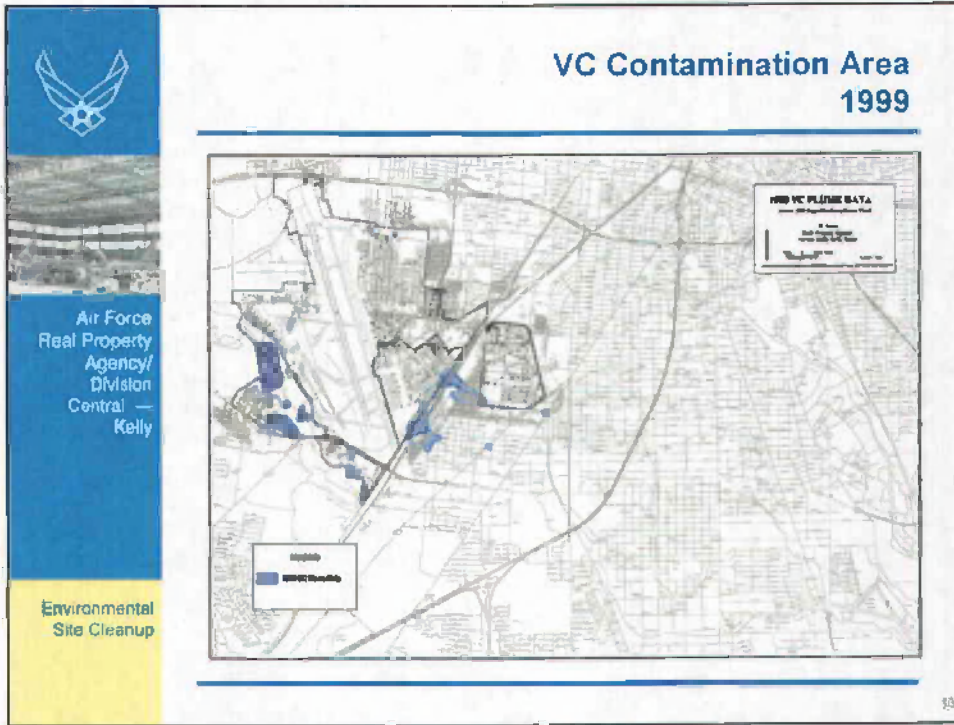




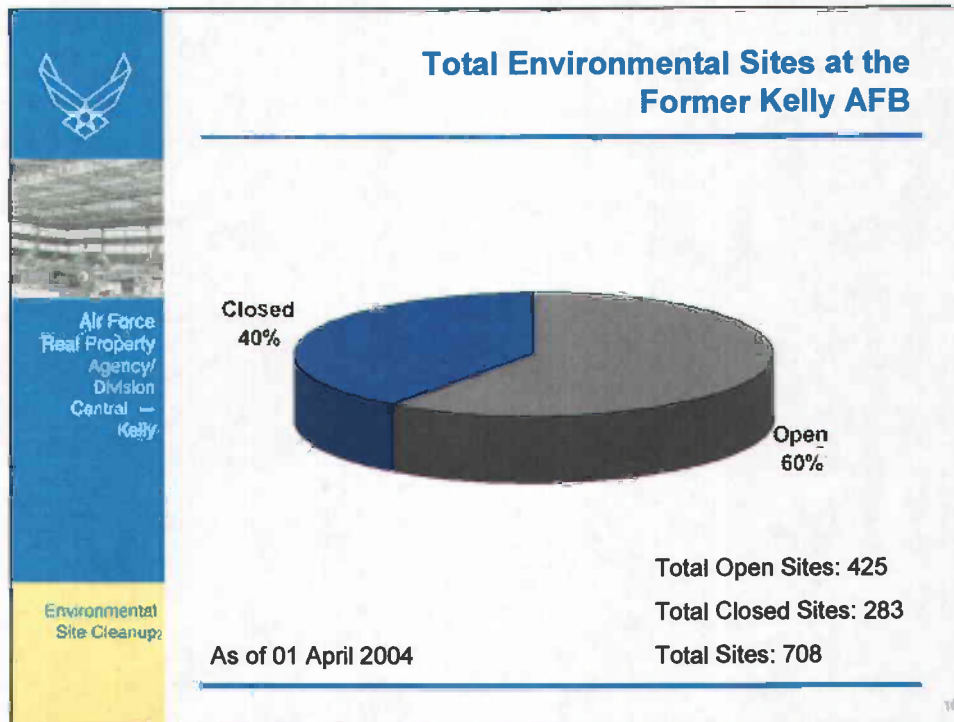
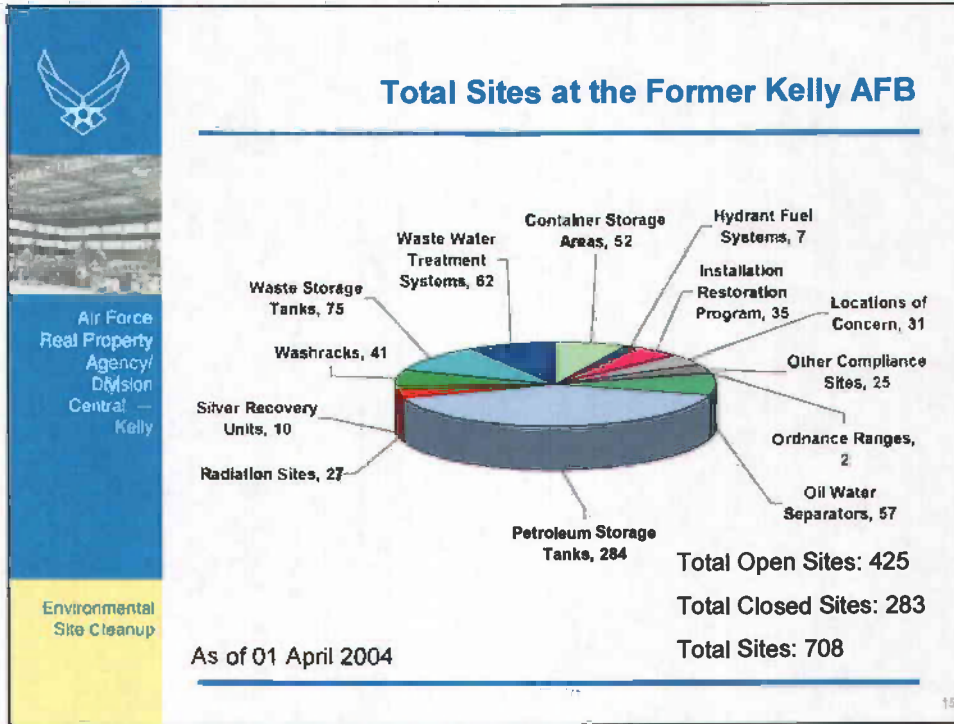




  
  
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**Doug Karas**

**Talking Points for the April 2004 RAB Meeting**

**Questions originally submitted by Reverend Doublet and Grace Cisneros**

**Response to Question 1:**

- Please call the Public Information Line at (210) 925-0956 to schedule a tour. We will also have technical project managers available to further discuss this data with you.

**Response to Question 2:**

- Please contact Adelina Carrillo, the interim Public Affairs Officer at Lackland AFB with any questions regarding the Leon Creek Fish Study. Ms. Carrillo can be reached at (210) 671-2908.

**Response to Question 3:**

- In some cases, TCE and PCE may breakdown to VC and DCE. However, VC and DCE do not build up when the shallow groundwater flows through the PRB. (show TCE, PCE, VC, and DCE maps)

**Response to Question 4:**

- PCEH is conducting air sampling in accordance with all state and federal environment regulations.

**Response to Question 5:**

- Our Administrative Record is available online at <http://www.afarpa.hq.af.mil/kelly/library.htm> and our Information Repository is available at the San Antonio Central Public Library. The Administrative Record is not completely up-to-date. We are currently making an effort to improve the user-friendliness of the Information Repository and have posted signs that indicate a telephone number you can call for further assistance.

**Response to Question 6:**

- The Air Force responded to Patrick Lynch's comments on the Draft Technical Review Report for the Zone 3 RCRA Facility Investigation in January 2004. Copies of this response were provided in the January RAB meeting packets. We have more copies available tonight for those who wish to have them.
- We also have included copies of community questions in your packets. (Doublet)
- We are happy to provide you with copies of any information you request. In accordance with FOIA, you can have the first 100 copies free with a 15 cent per page charge thereafter.
- We have recently had many questions regarding the Agent Orange issue. We have set up a table in the back of the room for you to sign up to receive information in regards to this issue.

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Mr. Michael Sheneman, RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Pete Muzquiz, RAB Community Representative  
Ms. Esmeralda Galvan, re-elected RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Henry Galindo, newly elected RAB Community Representative  
Ms. Carol Vaquera, newly elected RAB Community Representative  
Mr. Armando Quintanilla, RAB Community Alternate for Mr. George Rice  
Mr. Adam Antwine, RAB Government Co-Chair, Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA)  
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Ms. Stephanie Trevino, Booz Allen  
Dr. David Smith, Smith and Associates (Facilitator)  
Ms. Brittany Watts, Smith and Associates  
Ms. Cheryl Narvaez  
Ms. Blanca Hernandez  
Mr. Frederick Magee  
Ms. Grace Cisneros  
Reverend Bee Dee Doublet  
Mr. Ben Galvan  
Ms. Denise Heirl  
Mr. Jim Clay  
Mr. Pete James  
Mr. Hector Morales, Congressman Ciro Rodriguez's Office

**Members Absent:**

Mr. Nazirite Perez, RAB Community Member

Mr. Robert Silvas, RAB Community Member

Mr. Paul Person, re-elected RAB Community Representative

The meeting began at 6:34 p.m.

**Welcome and Introductions****Mr. Ruben Peña**

Mr. Ruben Peña welcomed all the RAB members and meeting attendees. He stated that there was a quorum at the meeting to hold the second round of RAB board elections and vote. The meeting attendees recited the pledge of allegiance and observed a moment of silence. Dr. David Smith introduced himself as the facilitator and asked RAB members to introduce themselves. He said that the meeting had a single purpose, which was to appoint new members to fill vacant positions on the RAB.

**Explanation of Appointment Process****Dr. David Smith**

Dr. Smith explained the election process. He said there are four positions open on the RAB. Three people will be elected for two-year terms, and one person will be elected for a one-year term to fill the seat of Gene Lené, who resigned. He explained that the candidates that are present and available to speak may step up to the microphone and have up to three minutes to speak about themselves and their interest in joining the RAB. He stated that a candidate must have more than half of the votes of community members present to be appointed. He asked the community members to review their packets for the applications and ballots.

He noted that Mr. Paul Person, Mr. Henry Galindo, Mr. Adolfo Hernandez, Ms. Carol Vaquera, Mr. Frederick Magee, and Ms. Esmeralda Galvan are on ballot. All were present with the exception of Mr. Hernandez.

**Oral Presentations****RAB Candidates**

Dr. Smith called out the names of the candidates in the order in which they are listed on the ballot to give their speeches. He stated that Mr. Person previously notified Ms. Brittany Watts and the RAB community co-chairs that he was unable to attend the meeting but would still like to be considered. Mr. Hernandez was not present and had not contacted the RAB co-chairs, and was therefore, unable to participate. The remaining applicants were present.

Mr. Galindo stated he would like to be appointed to the RAB. He is currently the director of transportation and maintenance support at Harlandale Independent School District. He resides near the former Kelly Air Force Base. He said his father was a 30-year civil servant at Kelly and supported his family through his work at Kelly. He explained that his interest in being appointed to the RAB is twofold. He believes in communication and in partnerships that work for the betterment of the community, and he thinks that a solid partnership between the AFRPA and the community helps to ensure that the Kelly cleanup will be successful and productive. He said he understands that being a part of the board is a commitment to be available to communicate with members of the community and interest groups, review documents, and provide input. He stated that he recognized he will be expected to attend meetings regularly and as needed. He reiterated

that he understands these requirements and will meet them if appointed. He concluded that he wants to gather as much information as possible about the cleanup, especially about the plume that extends into Harlandale ISD in order to keep the community informed.

Ms. Vaquera said she has been a part of the community for over 30 years and lives on Kirk Street. She said she is a retired clerk registrar and would like to be a link between the community and the RAB. She concluded that she would appreciate their vote and would make it to all the meetings.

Mr. Magee said he was retired from Sheffield community service. He said he has been the president of his neighborhood association for five years, vice president for two years and served as an officer the remainder of the eight years the association has been in existence. He stated that he lives near Marbach and 410, and there are many people that live in that area that worked at Kelly for many years that need more information. He concluded by saying he has been active in his neighborhood for years and would like to be a part of the board.

Ms. Galvan stated that she was a previous member of the RAB for two years. She lived in East Kelly for 40 years and worked at Building 360 at Kelly. She said she is here because she is concerned for the residents, for the children, and for the elderly in the area. She wants to make sure the area is safe. She informed the board that she spoke to the engineer installing the Permeable Reactive Barrier (PRB) on 34th Street, which is a major concern to her. She noted she is concerned about testing of local fruits and nuts, vapor monitoring, and the cleanup as a whole. She stated that she knows that the base is doing the best it can, but she is concerned about the newness of the barrier systems and how well they work. She concluded that she is not there for compensation, but for the health and safety of the neighborhood.

### **Voting Results and Appointment of New Members**

#### **Dr. David Smith**

Dr. Smith clarified that Mr. Hernandez is not here so his name must again be scratched from the ballot. During the first round of voting, Mr. Galindo and Ms. Vaquera were elected.

Mr. Galindo received eight votes, and Ms. Vaquera received nine. Dr. Smith announced that they would conduct another round of voting to fill the third seat. At this time, they needed to vote for one person. Dr. Smith interrupted the process to announce that Mr. Michael Sheneman had arrived and would join the meeting. The voting process would now require that applicants receive six votes to be elected.

During the second and third rounds, none of the applicants received six votes. Mr. Peña remarked that the RAB had reached a standstill and asked the board parliamentarian for guidance. Mr. Mike DeNuccio said the voting process does not have to be blind. Mr. Sergio Rodriguez made a motion to vote for the person who had received the most votes from the second and third round, Ms. Galvan. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved, and Ms. Galvan was appointed. Mr. Peña said there was still one more round of voting to complete to fill the one-year term resulting from Dr. Lené's resignation. He added that Mr. Person and Mr. Magee were the remaining candidates eligible for this round.

Mr. Person was appointed with eight votes in the fourth round to complete Dr. Lené's term. Dr. Smith reminded interested parties that they can be included in the pool of alternates if they choose, and he encouraged them to do so.

## **Community Co-Chair Welcomes New Members**

### **Mr. Ruben Peña**

Mr. Peña welcomed the new members and asked them to come to the table to be seated with the other board members. He thanked Mr. Magee for his time and participation at the election meeting and stated that Mr. Magee's name would be placed in the RAB alternate pool.

## **Meeting Wrap-up**

### **Dr. David Smith**

Announcements included the following:

- Action items to be addressed during next RAB meeting
- RAB member orientation will be held February 23, 2004
- RAB member workshop will be held March 9, 2004
- Next RAB meeting — Tuesday, April 20, 2004
- Next TRS meeting — June 8, 2004

Mr. Peña stated that the RAB orientation on February 23, 2004, is for new RAB members and any current members. The March 9, 2004, RAB event is a member workshop for everyone to get together to review the charter for revision. He encouraged everyone to attend and participate in the RAB orientation and workshop.

Mr. Peña recommended Mr. DeNuccio continue to be the RAB parliamentarian due to the wonderful job he did last year. Mr. Adam Antwine agreed, and the decision was made by the co-chairs to appoint him as such. Mr. DeNuccio requested that the Air Force staff consider rescheduling the April 20, 2004, meeting due to San Antonio's Fiesta, as members may not be able to attend. Mr. Peña asked Ms. Watts to call members as well as update everyone at the orientation.

Mr. Antwine thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He said he appreciated their interest in the Kelly cleanup, and AFRPA looks forward to working with them in the future.

Mr. Quintanilla said a group of people came to the meeting with questions, and he wanted to make a suggestion that they be heard. He said they were going to present their questions at the TRS, but due to its cancellation they brought them to the RAB meeting. Mr. Peña stated that they specifically prepared the agenda to hold elections and did not plan for a community comment period. He asked the board members if they were willing to stay to hear the questions. The board agreed, and Mr. Peña concluded that the floor is open for those persons to come forward and address the board. They each had up to three minutes, and when completed, turned in their Request for Information form and a copy of their questions to Ms. Watts.

Reverend Bee Dee Doublet and Ms. Grace Cisneros addressed the board by reading a series of typed questions. (See attachment A)

Mr. Peña thanked the speakers and closed the community comment period. He said the board cannot answer their questions during the meeting but will take the questions into consideration and back to the executive committee to review. He requested they provide Ms. Watts with a copy of the requests.

Mr. Antwine invited people to come and visit AFRPA for a briefing or tour. He said he would be happy to address neighborhood groups regarding Kelly clean-up issues. He concluded that visitors should call in advance to let the staff know they are coming. AFRPA is in a secured facility and may not be able to accommodate visitors that do not have appointments.

Mr. Quintanilla said he saw an article in last week's *San Antonio Express-News* regarding a Boeing zinc spill. He made a motion to get a report at the next RAB meeting. Ms. Galvan seconded. Ms. Abigail Powers asked Mr. Quintanilla to clarify the advertisement he saw. He responded that SAWS reported a significant zinc spill into the wastewater system in 2003. Mr. Peña asked him to provide a copy of the advertisement. He responded that he gave one to Mr. Doug Karas. All were in favor of the motion. Mr. Garcia requested that Mr. Antwine provide drafts of the Environmental Impact Statement from Austin to hand out to all the RAB members. Mr. Antwine said he would take care of the issue.

Mr. Peña motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Murrah and Mr. Muzquiz seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.



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