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Interviews of U.S. Service Academy Candidates Planned for November 22

GREAT BEND, D.C. - Congressman Jerry Moran has announced the members of the 2003 First District Service Academy Selection Board. The sixteen-member board will meet later this month to interview prospective candidates for admission to U.S. Service Academies. Following the interviews, the board will make recommendations to Congressman Moran for final review.

Candidates attending the event have already submitted their applications for the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy or U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. They now enter the final stage of the selection process.

"These board members represent a wide variety of experience and expertise in the military," Moran said. "Their educational background, coupled with their personal and professional experiences, make them excellent advisors as we work to select the highest quality of candidates to represent Kansas in our nation's service academies. I appreciate these distinguished Kansans serving on the board, and I look forward to their input and recommendations."

The board will meet November 22 at the Barton County Community College in Great Bend to interview candidates. The members of the 2003 First District Service Academy Selection Board are:

Mr. Jesse Bernal

Spanish Instructor - Garden City High School; Served in U.S. Army

Garden City

Dr. Mace Braxton

Cardiac Surgeon - Salina Regional Health Center; U.S. Military Academy Graduate

Salina

Mrs. Krista Bryant

Nursing Instructor - Cloud County Community College; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Cadet

Concordia

Mrs. Jean Clifford

Colonel - United States Air Force Reserves; Former Judge Advocate - U.S. Air Force

Garden City

Ms. Lucille Coverdale

Guidance Counselor - Fort Riley Middle School; Served in U.S. Army Reserves

Junction City

Mr. John Doswell

Vice President and General Manager - Mega Manufacturing; Retired Commander - U. S. Navy

Hutchinson

Mrs. Joanne Emerick

Social Studies Instructor - Hoxie High School; 2003 National Teachers Hall of Fame Inductee

Hoxie

Ms. Kathy Gier

Financial Associate - Thrivent Financial for Lutherans; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Graduate

Hutchinson

Mr. Kay Hutchinson - Chair

Retired Colonel - United States Army

Delavan

Mr. James Logback

Editor/Publisher - Hill City Times; Former Supply Officer - United States Navy

Hill City

Mr. E. A. (Skip) McAlexander

Vice President - Sunflower Bank; Retired Captain - United States Navy

Salina

Mr. Jose Olivas

Community Organizer and Developer - United Methodist Western Kansas Mexican-American Ministries; Commander - American G.I. Forum

Ulysses

Ms. Joan Rucker

Newspapers in Education Coordinator - Topeka Capital Journal; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Cadet

Woodbine

Mr. Richard Schwartz

Retired Colonel - United States Marine Corps

Marion

Mr. Mac Stromberg

President - United Industries, Inc.; Vietnam War Veteran

Sterling

Mr. Ron Whitney

Chairman - Kansas Quail Unlimited; Vietnam War Veteran

Emporia

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