

DEFENSE BUSINESS BOARD

Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2022

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The Defense Business Board (DBB) is a Federal Advisory Committee of the Department of Defense (DoD) operating pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976, and other appropriate federal regulations. The DBB meets quarterly and as needed, and held its second session for fiscal year 2022 on February 2, 2022 virtually via Zoom for Government. The meeting was open to the public. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, registered public participants joined via a dedicated conference telephone line.

DBB Members (voting) (16 present)

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| Deborah Lee James (Chair) | Joseph Anderson |
| David Beitel | Sally Donnelly |
| Cheryl Eliano | Christopher Gopal |
| Linnie Haynesworth | Ern Hill |
| Jennifer McClure | Oscar Munoz |
| Larry Spencer | David Van Slyke |
| Joseph Votel | David Walker |
| Johnnie Wilson | Safroadu Yeboah-Amankwah |

DBB Members Not Present

None

DBB Staff (non-voting)

Jennifer Hill, Executive Director & Designated Federal Officer (DFO)
CAPT Jeff Plaisance, U.S. Navy Military Representative to the DBB
Col Chuck Brewer, U.S. Marine Corps Military Representative to the DBB
Steve Cruddas, Operations Manager
Leah Glaccum, Staff Assistant
Judson Crane, Reskill/Upskill Study Assistant (DIB)
Melodie Ha, MPP Study Assistant (DIB)
Emma Vitale, Reskill/Upskill Study Assistant (DIB)

Public Attendees

The DBB received numerous requests from the public to participate in the open meeting. A listing of the public attendees is provided in the attached addendum.

OPEN MEETING

At 10:00 a.m., Ms. Jennifer Hill, DBB DFO, called to order the public meeting and provided opening administrative remarks. At 10:10 a.m., Ms. Deborah Lee James, DBB Chair, welcomed the Board members, guests, and public attendees. She introduced the Board's newest member, Mr. Saf Yeboah-Amankwah who shared a little of his background and experience. Ms. James then paid farewell to Mr. Web Bridges a former staff member of the Board presenting him with a Red Tape Award as a token of the Board's appreciation for his long and loyal support of the Board. At 10:30 a.m., Ms. James introduced the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Hon. Kathleen

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Hicks, for her welcome and remarks to the Board members. Dr. Hicks expressed her appreciation to the board, recognized that the DBB celebrates its 20th anniversary this year, and, as COO for the Department, articulated her resolve to work directly with the Board. Dr. Hicks provided an overview of the impacts to the Department when Congress fails to pass the DoD FY22 budget.

Following Dr. Hicks' remarks, Ms. James introduced Mr. Richard Kidd, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy & Environment Resilience. Mr. Kidd briefed the Board on the on-going efforts of the Department to address climate change. After a Board member question and answer period with Mr. Kidd, Jennifer Hill adjourned the public meeting.

By my signature, certified to be accurate and complete.



Deborah Lee James
Chair, Defense Business Board

**Defense Business Board Quarterly Meeting
2 February 2022
Attendees Sign-In Sheet
ALL INFORMATION ON THIS SHEET IS PART
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| Name | Organization |
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| Michael Aimone | The Roosevelt Group |
| Matthew Backes | MIT Lincoln Laboratory |
| Tony Bertuca | Chief Editor, Inside the Pentagon Inside Defense |
| John Conger | Senior Advisor, Council on Strategic Risks Director Emeritus, The Center for Climate and Security |
| Neil Desai | Special Assistant to Deputy Secretary, DoD |
| Chris Dufour | Lewis-Burke Associates, LLC |
| Lt Col Kyle Harrington, USAF | In-bound Military Representative to DBB |
| Melody Hobson | Co-CEO & President. Ariel Investments |
| Lee Hudson | Defense Tech and Influence Reporter POLITICO |
| Dr. Nicholas Judson | Assistant Leader - Energy Systems Group, MIT Lincoln Laboratory |
| MAJ Jamaal Kirkland, USA | In-bound Military Representative to DBB |
| Justin Martin | Electric Power Research Institute |
| Nico Portuondo | Reporting Fellow, E&E News POLITICO |
| Angela C Rey | |
| Jared Serbu | Deputy Editor, Federal News Network |
| Kate White | Climate Program Director, ODASD |
| CAPT Daryl Wilson, USN | In-bound Military Representative to DBB |