



Veteran Assistance Commission of Will County

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9 August 2018

Executive Meeting

4:00 PM

I. Call to Order: Chairman Picciolo @ 1605

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Opening Prayer: Chaplain Singler

II. Roll Call of Attendees: Secretary Williams

Executive Board		
Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jack Picciolo	Chairman	Present
Victor Martinka	Vice Chairman	Present
Denise Williams	Secretary	Present
Tom Mlynek	Treasurer	Present
Amanda Koch	Sgt-At-Arms	Excused
Jim Singler	Chaplain	Present
James Baskerville	Member	Present
Larry Chisausky	Member	Present
John Kestel	Past Chairman	Present
John York	Past Chairman	Excused
Tony Sallese	Past Chairman	Present
Wayne Horne	Past Chairman	Present

III. Introduction of Guests and/or First Time Attendees:

- A. Bill Austin, Living Water Yoga
 - a)Mr. Austin will be offering free yoga to Veterans, spouses, and immediate Gold Star family members every Tuesday & Thursday at the VAC. Start time 1000
- B. Lynda Strelitz, CapTel Outreach Educator IL
 - a)Ms. Strelitz went over a free telephone device that assists all that suffer from hearing loss. Phone and installation are free. VAC can register applicants.
- C. Greg Dole, Patriotic Partners Veteran Alliance
 - a)Mr. Dole is organizing a NPO that will help veterans get reconnected and possibly paid for volunteer time. Would like VAC support.
 - 1. Superintendent McNichol requested copies of By-Laws & Articles of Incorporation prior to VAC support

- IV. Minutes of Previous Meeting (12 July @ 1600)
 - A. Motion: Secretary Williams; Second, Vice Chairman Martinka; All in favor.
- V. Superintendents Report: Superintendent McNichol
 - A. Outreach Report:
 - July 26 Directors Meeting, HINES (Kristi, Jen, Dan)
 - August 2 Senior Resource Festival, First Assembly Church, Joliet (Amy)
 - Aug 6 Outreach Monee Township (Erik)
 - 7 August FREE YOGA for veterans, spouses, Gold Stars (every TR)
 - Aug 9 MMJ Registration
 - Aug 10-12 Softball Tournament Slammers Stadium.
 - Aug 14 CoC Ranking Committee – Presentations for HUD (Kristi)
 - Aug 19 4th Recon Bat, CO E, Family Day
 - Aug 16 – Peotone American Legion (Amy/Erik)
 - Aug 20 CoC Board Meeting (Kristi)
 - Aug 22 United Way Board, Emergency Food & Shelter (Kristi)
 - Aug 23 Orland Park Fire Department Senior Group (Erik)
 - Aug 22-26 Will County Fair
 - Sept 4-6 American Warrior Symposium, ATL (Kristi/Dan)
 - Sept 5 Homeless Prevention Task Force, WCCCC (Jen)
 - Sept 10 Blind Veteran Golf Event (Kristi/Dan)
 - Sept 12 Hines Mental Health Summit, (All Staff)
 - B. VSO Report: \$11.2 Million reoccurring VA benefits brought into community due to VAC VSO work
 - C. Assistance Report
 - a)Reviewed Financial Assistance Vouchers allotted June 2018
 - 1. Gas Bill: 17 (\$537.11)
 - 2. Electric Bill: 29 (\$2,035.36)
 - 3. Water Bill: 11 (\$883.27)
 - 4. Shelter: 31 (\$12,375.00)
 - b) Motion to accept reports: Past Chairman Kestle; Seconded Vice Chairman Martinka; All in favor
- VI. New Business:
 - A. Volunteers Needed 22-26 August @ Will County Fair
 - a)Signup sheet
 - B. Volunteers Needed 6 October 2018 Bowman’s Ruck
- VII. Old Business:
 - A. Review Child Support Deduction addendum
 - a)Superintendent McNichol does not know how many would qualify
 - 1. Asst. Superintendent Solum & Sr. VSO Papineau both reported they have assisted 2 clients this could effect
 - b) Motion Secretary Williams to table discussion until next meeting; Seconded by Past Chairman Kestle; All in favor
 - B. Veterans Day Ceremony
 - a)Superintendent McNichol to reach out to CSM(R) Bowman about Joliet Armory
- VIII. For the Good Of the Commission:
 - October 6 - Ruck March, CSM (R) Mark Bowman
 - Nov 9 Veterans Day Breakfast, Joliet Hospice (Kristi)
 - Nov 12 Veterans Day Breakfast, SAMS Club Joliet (Kristi, Jen)

- Nov 13-16 USOCOM Care Coalition
- IX. Motion to Enter Executive Closed Session As Per 5ILCS120/2(CH. 102, par. 42)
- A. Addendum to Motion to Adjourn out of Executive Closed Session made by Secretary Williams; Seconded by Past Chairman Kestle; All in favor
 - B. Enter Executive Closed Session with Executive Board
 - a) Role Call
 - b) Staff safety
 - c) Review documents
 - d) Review estimate to update security
 - 1. Reinforce Door
 - C. Motion to Adjourn: Past Chairman Horne; Second Secretary Williams; All in favor.

NEXT MEETING
4PM
13 Sept 2018
2400 Glenwood Ave, STE 110
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