

MINUTES OF THE GILBERT VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD, IN REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022, AT 5:00 PM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING II, CONFERENCE ROOM 100, GILBERT, ARIZONA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Dave Rosenfeld, Vice Chair Jim Lykins, Members Michael Bailey, Charles Dine, and Pamela Rinesmith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Treasurer Les Presmyk and Member Lori Gauna Barcklay

STAFF PRESENT: Staff Liaison Monica D’Ortenzio, Jason Montgomery, and Mike Leppert

GUESTS PRESENT: Andrew Gongora, Sabrina Zimmerman, Alma Riedel, Chris Marini and Payton Parker

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Jim Lykins called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff Liaison D’Ortenzio called roll and declared a quorum present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Guest Payton Parker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Welcome and Introductions

Guests and board members went around the room and introduced themselves.

5. Communications from Citizens

None.

6. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the May 17, 2022, meeting minutes was deferred to the next meeting.

Vice Chair Lykins moved to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2022, meeting; Chair Rosenfeld seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Vice Chair Lykins moved to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2022, meeting; Member Rinesmith seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Approval of the June 20, 2022, meeting minutes was deferred to the next meeting.

Member Rinesmith moved to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2022, meeting; Member Dine seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

AGENDA ITEMS

7. Pillar of Events – Veterans Day Planning

Guest Alma Riedel said she spoke with “Bryce” late that afternoon and informed her that unfortunately the Gilbert Memorial Park would no longer be the head sponsor for the event. Guest Payton Parker said State Farm Insurance would be happy to be the head sponsor for the event. Staff Mike Leppert reported on the budget and said currently there were two thousand committed and another three thousand in the works to be committed. Guest Payton Parker went over the run of show and the save-the-date fliers and that sponsorship and Veteran-owned businesses would be listed on the website for the event. Chair Rosenfeld said he would like to see Veteran- owned businesses outside of Gilbert participate and that businesses needed to apply to have a booth at the event. Staff Mike Leppert said he would have staff reach out for food trucks and the Board talked about raising the fee for food trucks to participate to \$100. Vice Chair Lykins said he was working with Higley Unified School District (HUSD) on the coins. Medal of Honor, Major General Patrick Brady, would be the keynote speaker for the event along with Mike Broomhead as the emcee. Chair Rosenfeld suggested a proclamation recipient to the Board but asked that if anyone else had a recommendation to email Payton Parker directly.

8. Pillar of Events – TOG Veterans Discount Program

Guest Chris Marini reported out that he had currently received two businesses responses for the program. Member Dine was assigned to be the board liaison to the project along with Chris Marini and Andrew Gongora to assist on getting the program up and running.

9. Pillar of Events – TOG Veteran Banner Program

Member Bailey reported that he narrowed the options down to three and would send to Monica to ask the Board which is their favorite. He said they could set up the website in a day or two and once payment was confirmed a banner could be made in 3-4 business days and would ship after that. Member Bailey said he would reach out to TOG

10. Pillar of Events – Purposed Events

- Gilbert Days Parade – 4 vehicles in the parade
- Pearl Harbor Day: School readings/visitations – next meeting

Agenda Item No. 10 would be moved to the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

11. Report from Staff

Nothing to report.

12. Pillar Leader Reports

Veterans Wellness Pillar

Nothing to report.

USS Arizona Pillar

Nothing to report.

Veteran Events Pillar

Nothing to report.

13. Report from Chair

Nothing to report.

14. Report from Board Members

Nothing to report.

15. Report from Council Liaison

No council liaisons present for this meeting.

16. Future Agenda Items and Review Future Meeting Dates

CONCLUSION

17. ADJOURN

Chair Rosenfeld adjourned the meeting at 6:02pm.

ATTEST:

Dave Rosenfeld, Chair

Monica D’Ortenzio, Staff Liaison