

MINUTES OF THE GILBERT VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD, IN REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022 AT 5:00 PM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING II, CONFERENCE ROOM 100, GILBERT, ARIZONA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Dave Rosenfeld, Treasurer Les Presmyk, Members Charles Dine and Pamela Rinesmith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice Chair Jim Lykins, Members Michael Bailey and Lori Gauna-Barcklay

STAFF PRESENT: Councilmember Kathy Tilque and Staff Volunteer Jason Montgomery

GUESTS PRESENT: Anne Adkinson, Luke Fadell, and Connie Martorano

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Treasurer Presmyk called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff Volunteer Montgomery called roll and declared a quorum present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Dine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Welcome and Introductions

Treasurer Presmyk welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members and guests present and online introduced themselves.

5. Communications from Citizens

None.

6. Approval of September 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Chair Rosenfeld moved to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022, meeting; Member Dine seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0.*

AGENDA ITEMS

7. Pillar of Wellness – Brain Injury Alliance Presentation

Luke Fadell and Anne Adkinson of the Brain Injury Alliance provided a presentation outlining all services provided by their organization. Their objective was to share opportunities and resource information with the Veterans Advisory Board as well as attend future events.

Treasurer Presmyk asked for a motion for the Brain Injury Alliance to be added to the Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) website resources section and to be provided a table at the upcoming Veterans Day event. Member Dine moved to approve the motion; Chair Rosenfeld seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0.*

8. Pillar of Wellness – Senior Center Discussion

The representative from the Senior Center was unable to attend, however provided an additional contact for future collaboration or presentation. This item would be placed on a future meeting agenda for a potential presentation and discussion with Senior Center staff.

9. Pillar of Wellness - Update on Veteran Resources:

- **VAB Website Resource Categories**
- **Revision to Resource Vetting Form**

VAB Website Resource Categories

Member Dine provided a summary of recommendations for revisions to the VAB website which included: video content describing the mission of the VAB and Pillars; more pop-ups versus links; list of local veteran organizations; and the potential to automatically populate emails to interested parties when events or other website updates are created.

Chair Rosenfeld and Treasurer Presmyk provided their feedback and requested Member Dine to draft up the layout and revisions to the website for presentation at the November meeting.

Revision to Resource Vetting Form

Member Dine would continue to this form and incorporate it into future discussions on website revisions.

10. Pillar of Wellness - Update on Muster Activities

Treasurer Presmyk would discuss the potential of a November or December event with Members Gauna-Barcklay and Dine.

11. Pillar of Wellness - Media Resources and Methods of Communication to Veteran Community

Discussion on the effort to increase the sharing of events and updated information from the VAB was discussed with the potential of an automated email sent out to interested parties as the website was updated with new events or news.

Councilmember Tilque discussed the potential of including a video from the Mayor on the website focusing on the VAB mission.

COMMUNICATIONS

12. Report from Staff

Staff Volunteer Montgomery discussed the revisions to the interest form and some data regarding the use of the website that were requested at a previous meeting. An update would be provided at the next meeting.

13. Report from Chair

Treasurer Presmyk provided an update on the Pearl Harbor presentation that would be provided to the VAB on October 12, 2022, for a future presentation to Gilbert Public School students.

14. Report from Board Members

Chair Rosenfeld expressed excitement for the progress of VAB activities.

15. Report from Council Liaison(s)

Councilmember Tilque shared that the Community Engagement Task Force would be focusing on mental health and suicide prevention in the next month.

16. Future Agenda Items

No additional items noted.

CONCLUSION

17. Adjournment

Treasurer Presmyk adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dave Rosenfeld, Chair

Jason Montgomery, Staff Volunteer