

VAC Meeting

Date: 1/11/23

Time: 4:18PM

End Time: 5:35PM

**Location: Government
Center Brantner Gulch B**

Meeting called by: Terry Walker **Type of meeting:** Quarterly Business Meeting

Facilitator: Chaz Tedesco **Note taker:** Victor Lagunas

Attendees: Chaz Tedesco, Gabe Rodriguez, Lisle Reed, Luke Orander, Terry Walker, Glenn Robinson, Chris Kemm, Donald Maloy

Minutes

Agenda item: Mass Stepping Debrief **Presenter:** Terry Walker & Chaz Tedesco

Discussion:

Ceremony was a success. Looking forward to grand opening. Concerned about NAVY centric ceremony. Need to reiterate the ceremony is for all branches. Need representatives of all branches for the grand opening, need to contact recruiting branches for other branches, possible letter to send to all recruiting branches. Letter needs to request a response. Provide coin with the letter. For grand opening, they want an active duty and veteran to raise their respective flags during ceremony. Invite recruiting command E-9s to next VAC meeting.

Gabe Rodriguez- Update: Completed DOD form for the fly over form, needs signatures from form. After form is submitted, congressional staff will be notified.

Conclusions:

Meeting will be scheduled for the E-9 Presentation.

Agenda item: AC Memorial Challenge Coins **Presenter:** Glenn Robinson

Discussion:

Provided coins to the commission. Provide coins to other organizations as an invite to the grand reopening. Coins will be provided with letter to federal delegates.

Conclusions:

Coins can be given as an invitation item for grand opening.

Agenda item: General Updates **Presenter:** Open Forum

Discussion:

Applications have been received to add members to VAC, screening is in process. (Robinson)

Purpose of the VAC, need ideas as the purpose for the VAC. What area should the VAC impact, mental health, or housing. Need to start coordinating on focus area for the VAC. (Tedesco)

How to collect information for what veterans need (Kemmm).

Discussing survey forms from VSO office. How to access the needs and target the need of veterans. (Open forum)

Ask other departments from the county to gather information about what veterans are needing. (Rodriguez)

VAC will need to get into conversation on how to gather that information and have a sense of purpose. Luke Orander needs to provide report to the Commissioners. Needs facilitator to navigate the direction of the VAC. (Tedesco)

Possible retreat for facilitator. (Tedesco)

Planning next VAC meeting for- March 8th- Bringing data from VSO (surveys), April 12th.

April 29th race for marines going to bootcamp. (Reed)

Conclusions:

Discussion continues on the purpose of the VAC and how it can support/impact the community.

Meeting

Adjourned:

5:35PM