Present: Aradie, Mike Saramski, Roger Newall, Ray Panerada, Jonathan Straus, Chris Timm, Brian Leen, Pat Gaston, Beth Hemmerich

Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Board

Agenda

Wednesday
February 15, 2017
9:00 – 11:00 AM
New Mexico Veterans’ Memorial
1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE

1) Call Meeting to Order 9:22am

2) Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (01/18/2017) 9:24am approved.

3) Public Comments (5 Minute Limit)

4) Old Business
   - Albuquerque Employee Coins
   - Hiring Preference — no police & fire department included.
   - Membership
   - Projects
   - Legislation — Vets day Feb 24th leave NMNM @ 7:00 $5 bus fare.
   - Update Future Events

5) New Business

6) Setting of Future Meetings

7) Adjourn March 15, 2017
   @ 10:27am

Hiring Preference:
There was discussion of retirement/pay for current/active duty & Guard.

Veteran four year event:
Library to host 2017 veterans day Feb 24th. MCM

Senator Little has to offer

Legislation:
Discuss how NO actual collection of vet status. It’s all self-register & there is no check to confirm. And what does “veteran” even mean? — need to check.

Legal discussion about how to get vet bills to be stronger.

National Guard Association — National Conference for NM
15 April 2017 @ Isleta
www.NGANM.org
Veterans’ and Military Affairs Advisory Board

New Mexico Veterans' Memorial
January 18, 2017
Minutes

Those Present:
Roger Newall, Archie Garcia, Brian Leen, Mike Scramski and Chris Timm,
SECRETARY: Beth Hemmerich

Those Excused:
Pat Gaston, Steve Overman, Jonathan Strawn, and Martin Ethridgehill

Guests:
Ray Barrera Jr.

I. Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Roger Newall at 9:16 am

II. Review and Accept of Minutes from December 21, 2016
   - The motion to accept the November minutes was approved.
   - No changes or corrections

III. Public Comments
   - Ray Barrera mentioned that he was interested in joining the Board. He will follow up with Roger to find out details.

IV. Old Business
   - Albuquerque Employee Coins – still giving out the remaining coins. There are only 10 coins left in the original order request. Roger has an unopened box of coins ready to give out, once the original order is depleted.
   - Hiring Preference – remaining at 10-12%. Our records still remain at approximately 6% higher than other states.
   - Membership – There is 1 new member being processed but the application is not finalized. There are still 3 spaces that remain open.
     - Roger mentioned that he would contact Martin Ethridgehill and inform him that he is being removed due to months of inactivity.
   - Projects – Roger would like to invite Dana Feldman to attend a meeting to discuss the Roadshow to Libraries to learn what is available for Veterans in the City. He is still waiting on hearing a response for a date.
   - Legislation - Session starts on January 17, 2017. Veterans Day at the Roundhouse is on February 23, 2017, from 9:00-2:00.
     - The Veterans Preference may still get through the Legislation, but it is still being discussed.
   - Update Future Events –

V. New Business
   - No new business was discussed

VI. Setting of Future Meetings – February 15, 2017 at 9:00 am we will meet at the NM Veterans’ Memorial.

VII. Adjourn – 9:53 am.
## VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD
### SIGN-IN SHEET

**Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017**

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### Secretary
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