

Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Board

Mayor's Office of Veteran's Affairs

Wednesday July 17 th , 2019 9:00 – 11:00 AM New Mexico Veterans' Memorial 1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE	Membership Authorized: 12 Actual: 11 Vacancies: 1 Pending: 0
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Agenda

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
- 2) Approval of previous meeting minutes
- 3) Public Comments (If Any) (5 Minute Limit)
- 4) Old Business
 - a) Direction of the VMAAB
 - a. Membership
- 5) New Business
 - a) Changes to Mayor's Challenge & Update of recent Conference
 - b) Update regarding United Veterans Council
 - c)
- 6) Reminder of next meeting
- 7) Adjourn

Next Meeting: August 21st, 2019



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July 17th, 2019 Minutes

Those Present:

Thomas Tozier, Archie Garcia,
Stephen Overman, Pat Gaston,
Brian Leen, Christopher Sedillo,
Mike Scramski

Those Excused:

Martin Ethridgehill, Ray Barrera,
Chris Timm

Guests:

Sandra Perea, Greg Seeley,
Matt Fuentes

- 1) Meeting Called to Order (9:07 am)
- 2) Discussion of Past Meeting Minutes (June 19th, 2019)
 - a) Motion to approve: Mike Scramski; 2nd: Archie Garcia
- 3) Speakers
 - a) Greg Seeley, Military Representative on behalf of Representative Deb Haaland,
 - i) informed us of Mr. Josh Jones coming onto the team as the Veteran Representative. Spoke about the Veteran History Project through the Library of Congress.
 - b) Matt Fuentes, Veteran Resource Director at CNM,
 - i) spoke in more details of the Veteran History Project, as the Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) is partnering with the program to bring local Veteran stories to the Library of Congress.
 - ii) Student Veteran Resource Fair with Department of Veteran Services and NM Workforce Solutions on November 14th, 2019 at the American Legion Post 13.
- 4) Old Business
 - a) Direction of the VMAAB
 - i) The creation of a topic list for each month so that if Ad Hoc positions become a reality, the organizations can send the subject matter expert for each month.
 - b) The United Veterans Council
 - i) Voted to stay and work on updating charter and refocusing on bringing on new members and leadership
- 5) New Business
 - a) Changes to the Mayor's Challenge
 - i) Thomas Tozier is now the City lead for the Mayor's Challenge
 - b) Quarterly DVS meeting August 26th, 2019
 - c) CVEB – Community Veteran Engagement Board, ran as an extension of the VA Hospital
- 6) Adjourn – 10:15 am: Brian Leen motioned, Pat Gaston Seconded

