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Alameda County Veteran Affairs Commission Commission Meeting February 21st, 2023, 9:30am **Via Zoom Conference Call EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES**

ACVAC Commissioner Present:

- O. Farmer (Chair)
- G. Owens
- J. Phair
- D. Williamson
- F. Jaffin

County Staff Present:

- Mariana Austin
- Esperanza Contreras
- Clinton Taxdahl

ACVAC Commissioners Absent:

Item	Discussion/ Recommendations
A. CALL TO ORDER	Meeting Chaired by O. Farmer called to order at 9:34am
Welcome & Introductions Adopt agenda	Roll Call of Commissioners Quorum achieved
	Commission approve agenda 02/21/23:
	Motion to Approve: Phair (M)
	Owens (S)
	Motion Passed: Meeting agenda adopted by Commission
B. CORRESPONDENCE	None.
C. CONSENT AGENDA	Commission approve Commission meeting minutes –01/23/2023: Motion to Approve: Farmer (M) Phair (S)
	Motion Passed: Meeting minutes adopted by Commission.
D. AGENDA ITEMS	 a. Veterans Observance Day Event (s) i. There will be a Vietnam Veterans Day Event at USS Hornet on March 15th (actual date is 03/29/2023).
	ACTION ITEM: Chair Farmer to send out a copy of the flyer for the event when available.
	b. Potential Guest Speakers for forthcoming meetings
	i. Jeff Sheibel to speak regarding legislative issues.
	ii. Regina Jackson to speak regarding the efforts to have the streets



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	renamed after the Veterans.	
D. COMISSION REPORTS		
E. ACVSO REPORT	Fremont Satellite Office will open in January 2023	
	All Veteran Services Representatives are accredited.	
F. OTHER ITEMS	No announcements	
	Next Meetings: • Executive Committee: March, 20 th , 9:30am.	
G. ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 10:02am.	



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Alameda County Veteran Affairs Commission

Commission Meeting February 21st, 2023, 10:00am Via Zoom Conference Call **GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

ACVAC Commissioner Present:

- O. Farmer (Chair)
- D. Williamson (Vice Chair)
- G. Owens
- J. Phair
- F. Jaffin
- N. Harrison
- M. Gilmore
- J. LoParo

County Staff Present:

- Jennifer Stephens-Pierre
- Esperanza Contreras
- Clinton Taxdahl
- Jonathan Montaño-Flores

ACVAC Commissioners Absent:

- E. Gilmore
- B. Rizvir
- K. Warner (EA)
- R. Forbes (EA)

Item	Discussion/ Recommendations
A. CALL TO ORDER Welcome & Introductions Adopt agenda	Meeting Chaired by O. Farmer called to order at 10:08am Roll Call of Commissioners Quorum achieved.
	Commission approve agenda 02/21/2023:
	Motion to Approve: (M) Owens
	(S) Phair
	Motion Passed: Meeting agenda adopted by Commission
B. CORRESPONDENCE	None.
C. CONSENT AGENDA	Commission approve Commission meeting minutes – 01/23/2023: Motion to Approve: (M) Jaffin (S) Phair Motion Passed: Meeting minutes adopted by Commission.
D. AGENDA ITEMS	Major Howard Jackson spoke to the commission regarding his years of service.
E. COMISSION REPORTS	 Executive: Commissioners to attend the Celebration of Life for Supervisor Valle on February 25th. With the end of the State of Emergency and meetings resuming in person the March Executive and General Meetings will be held at the Maxwell Park Room at Eastmont Mall



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	 c. Vietnam Veterans Day – There will be an event at USS Hornet on March 25th in observance of the holiday (actual holiday is on March 29th) 2. Membership a. Applications of new Commissioners Jeff Sheilbels, Gloria Wilson and Lisa Broner are still pending. b. Current Vacancies with the Commission: American Legion (1); Veterans of Foreign Wars (1); American Vets (1); Women Vets (1); Marine Corps League (1)
	3. Budget: None4. Outreach:
	a. None
	5. Bylaws a. None
	6. NBVC-COL C. Young Campaign Initiative a. Refer to Agenda Item
F. ACVSO REPORT	Delay in satellite office opening until next month.
	2. One VSR leaving the position / resigned this week.
	3. CALVET audit complete – 16% increase in meetings with clients face to face and claims have nearly doubled. College Fee Waiver is upon us as well.
G. OTHER ITEMS	 Find A Program (ncpgafoundation.org) PGA HOPE is a seven week introductory golf program FREE to military veterans taught by PGA & LPGA Professionals. PGA HOPE is the flagship program of the Northern California PGA Foundation. Next Meetings: General Meeting: March 20th, 10:00 am.
H. ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 10:55am.