



County of El Dorado
Meeting Minutes
Veteran Affairs Commission

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Todd Smith, District I – Alternate John Poimiroo
 Tim Thompson, District II – Alternate Edgar “Bud” Brown
 Kurt Raffetto, District III – Alternate Jake Parsons
 William “Bill” Scrivani, District IV – Alternate Amanda Williams
 Robert “Bob” Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth
 Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio

Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

Thursday, July 13, 2017
12:00 noon
Veterans Memorial Building
Conference Room

Public Testimony will be received on each agenda item as it is called. Principal party on each side of an issue (where applicable) is allocated Persons wishing to speak on a Consent Calendar item are requested to advise the Chair or Clerk prior to 8:30 a.m. The applicant (where applicable) is allocated 10 minutes to speak; individual comments are limited to 3 minutes; and individuals representing a group are allocated 5 minutes. Matters not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during the Open Forum. Public comments during Open Forum are limited to 3 minutes per person. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote.

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CALL TO ORDER 1203 hour

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
District I	Smith, Poimiroo	
District II	Thompson	Brown
District III	Raffetto	Parsons
District IV	Scrivani	Williams
District V	Sweatt, Houseworth	

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

Lori Walker, HHSA; Ken Thurman; Andrew Vonderschmitt, EDC Arts Council; Grant Raffetto

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR (All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the Agenda and the Consent Calendar for discussion. At the appropriate time as called by the Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Recording Clerk of the Veteran Affairs Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES of the regular meeting of June 8, 2017.
2. Secretary Ex-Officio recommending the Commission approves the payment of mileage reimbursement claims for July.

Poimiroo	21.50
Scrivani	12.83
Smith	16.64
Sweatt	65.93
Houseworth	15.30
Total	132.20

1st Sweatt; 2nd Raffetto, approved.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION ITEMS

EX-OFFICIO REPORT – Receive and file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- **TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax)** (Raffetto/Scrivani)
 - 1) Mini-Grant Applications Cycle #1 for 2016/2017 – Review and rate to award next month; 13 applications received, consideration to approve at next meeting.

Current fund balance	54,338
a. El Dorado Arts Council - Veteran's Voices Anthology	3,500
b. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council – Defensible Space	3,410
c. Episcopal Church of our Savior – Veterans Fund	3,500
d. Food Bank - No Vet Goes Hungry	3,500
e. Friends of the Veterans Monument – Transportation	0.00
f. Friends of the Veterans Monument – Headstone Project	0.00
g. Friends of the Veterans Monument – Welcome Home Statuary	0.00
h. Lake Tahoe Community College – Veterans Resource Center	5,000
i. Only Kindness Inc. – Veterans Fund	3,500
j. Placerville Elks Lodge – Veterans Stand Down	2,500
k. Sierra Law Enforcement Chaplaincy – Veteran Family Support	3,500
l. Tahoe Coalition for Homeless - Warm Room Veteran Support	3,500
m. Windows to My Soul – Veterans Support Program	3,500

Cycle #1 award balance	35,410

Carry-over balance for Cycle #2 use	18,928

- **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani) By-laws follow up with County Counsel, Patricia to forward working copy to Kathy Witherow.
- **LEGISLATIVE** (Raffetto/Smith) No report
- **TRANSPORTATION** (Sweatt/Thompson) Progress House van broke down, concern that they are not fulfilling the mini grant contract, advise to go through the El Dorado Community Foundation. Lance reports he made contact with VA Transportation at the recent conference and is hopeful that transportation options will improve.
- **BUDGET** (Parsons/Poimiroo) No Report
- **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT** (Sweatt/Houseworth) No Report
- **SOCIAL MEDIA** (Scrivani/Poimiroo) - Receive and File

COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS

- **AD HOC** (Veterans Memorial Building – Veterans House Council) – Receive and file.
- **AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER** - Receive and file.

PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER

1. John Poimiroo reports on Salute to Valor Golf Tournament to be held on Monday, September 25, 2017, encourages participation.
2. Lance Poinsett reports OTH discharges, as of July 5, 2017 they can get immediate mental health care at VA facility. Appeals process is changing giving the veteran the option to directly to the court. National Organization giving comfort to terminally ill veterans their last dream.
3. Bill Scrivani ED Veterans Resource Center and Permanent Stand Down, MOU is ready to sign.

NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

August 10, 2017, Veterans Memorial Building, Conference Room, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667 @ 12 Noon.

ADJOURNMENT 1355 hour.