CLACKAMAS COUNTY VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL April 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes Zoom

2:30pm - 3:30pm

FACILITATOR Adam Khosrobadi									
NOTE TAKER Amy Kelsey									
	VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL								
Р	Adam Khosrobadi	Α	Tracy Bogard	Р	Gregory Freetage				
Р	Paul Edgar	Ρ	John Budiao	Р	Janet Braman				
Ε	Laurie Kimmell	Ρ	Betty Fish-Ferguson	Р	RB Green				
Р	Larry Moseley	Р	Don Hedlind						
Р	Carol Bernhard								
	CLACKAMAS COUNTY STAFF								
Р	Gus Bedwell	Р	Aubrie Balkwill	Р	Ken Bietschek				
Р	Brenda Durbin	Р	Amy Kelsey						
GUESTS									
Р	Tawnya Lege								
Р	Don Stockton								

P-Present, A -Absent, E-Excused, O-Other Attendee

ITEMS / ISSUES	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
Meeting Called to	Adam called the meeting to order and a quorum was established.	
Order and		
Introductions		
Minutes	Paul moved to approve meeting minutes as written. Larry seconded the motion; minutes adopted by Council.	

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VAC Membership	Adam introduced Tawnya Lege, new VAC applicant. Tawnya, Spouse of a veteran, former Key Spouse for 446th Air Wing @ Mc Chord AFB, member of American Legion Auxiliary. VAC Executive Committee interviewed Tawnya and recommended Tawnya for membership. VAC voted, all members in favor of Tawnya's recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners for final approval.	Amy will send a current VAC Roster to members.
VAC Subcommittees	Adam led a robust discussion around the importance of member participation and the need for involvement beyond monthly VAC meetings. VAC Outreach Committee will bring 2 activities including contact information to May's meeting. Events and activities will be placed on a calendar of events. VAC members will have the opportunity to sign-up to work events. Janet suggested VAC build a traveling display for use during events. Traveling display to include: Swag, Banners Handouts, Business Cards, Brochures Table Coverings	
VAC Charters	Gus Bedwell, Veteran Service Office Supervisor shared a charter template and discussed the importance of the charter. Committee charters serve as a guideline for the Board of County Commissioners. It includes information about the committee's mission, its primary duties, the composition of a standing committee, and its specific procedures.	
VAC Bylaw Review	VAC Bylaw Review tabled until June meeting.	

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Member Updates	No Member Comment	
Public Comment	No Public Comment	
Announcement	VAC Recruitment open now through May 31, 2023.	
	Clackamas County Commissioners are seeking interested residents to serve on county	
	Advisory Boards and Commissions (ABCs). These ABCs offer residents the opportunity to	
	become very involved in specific activities and the goals of Clackamas County. Individuals	
	interested in this opportunity can <u>apply online</u> or via a paper form that can be obtained	
	from the Public & Government Affairs Department by calling 503-655-8751.	
	Veteran's Advisory Council	
	The Clackamas County Veterans Advisory Council is committed to ensuring that Council	
	membership reflects the diversity of Clackamas County residents. The Council actively	
	seeks members from all regions of the county, all races, ethnicities, sexual orientations	
	and cultures. The Veterans Advisory Council's nineteen members advise the Clackamas	
	County Board of Commissioners and the Department of Health, Housing and Human	
	Services on all matters relating to the provision of services to veterans, their families and	
	dependents, ensuring that their needs are recognized and addressed in a timely manner.	
	Veterans Advisory Council also makes recommendations regarding current issues	
	affecting veterans, their families and dependents. Meetings are the 4th Thursday, 2:30 to	
	3:30 p.m.	

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	The Council has nine openings serving two-year terms.	
	The application deadline is Wednesday May 31, 2023. For more information please contact Amy Kelsey at AKelsey@clackamas.us or 503-650-5643.	
Next Meeting	Veterans Advisory Council May 25, 2023 from 2:30pm-3:30pm	