

THURSTON COUNTY VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
412 Lilly Rd. NE, Olympia, WA
Monday, January 9, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Russell Cron, New Member

Valerie Elliott, Veteran Representative

Robert Thompson, Tumwater Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 7089

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Mimi Fields, Veteran Representative

Ernest Hume, Disabled American Veterans, Tumwater Chapter 41

William Oplinger, Disabled American Veterans, Tumwater Chapter 41

STAFF MEMBER PRESENT: Linda Loyle, Community Program Manager

The meeting began at 6:08 PM

- I. Introductions ~ New member Russell Cron
- II. There was no quorum for this meeting.
- III. Discussion ~ Definition of Veteran
 - Overview and discussion regarding Definition of Veteran, 41.04.005 and 41.04.007 RCW.
 - The group discussed possible revisions to the definitions.
 - One possible suggestion, look at 180 days active federal military service excluding training and weekends.
 - Another suggestion, simplify form regarding veteran status and leave the law the same. Russell Cron will review the form for possible suggestions.
 - Veterans' Relief, perhaps remove 005 and 007 and develop something workable for this fund.
 - Next meeting discuss further and prepare for presentation in July.
 - Write-up and email suggestions, then April meeting discuss.
- IV. Board Vacancies Announced
 - Possible locations to advertise openings, ACAP, Public Affairs, Wounded Warriors, and veterans' service organizations.
- V. Contracts
 - Provide additional information prior to April meeting.
- VI. Announcement
 - Homeless census January 26, 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Minutes Submitted by Linda Loyle, Community Program Manager