

THURSTON COUNTY VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

October 19, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Miller, Gary Walker, Casey Wegner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mimi Fields, Sean Smith, Thom Stoddert and Robert Thompson

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Loyle, Steve Hastings, Lou McElroy, Frances Beard, Robert Nakamura and Arlene Murray

There was no quorum. Another meeting will be scheduled before the end of the year to vote on the agenda items.

INTRODUCTIONS

Lou McElroy announced that the Veterans Day ceremony will be held November 11th at 11:00 a.m. at the Capitol Rotunda. Arlene Murray, Chair of the Thurston County Veterans Council introduced herself and discussed the Veterans Day ceremony, the monthly lunches at Izzy's Restaurant and Thurston County Veterans Council activities.

Other announcements included the following:

1. VA card will get a veteran a flu shot at Walgreens.
2. November 13th at JBLM there will be a 'Korean War Veteran Salute'.
3. November 12th at SPSCC there will be a flag raising at 10:00 a.m. and a resource fair for veterans and military personnel beginning at 11:00 a.m.
4. November 7th in Auburn there is the '50th Anniversary Veterans Parade'.
5. At the Veterans Stand Down on Friday, November 20th American Legion Post 94 will transport food baskets from the Thurston County Food Bank to the WA National Guard Armory to distribute no cook and holiday baskets to veterans.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Tabled

NON-PROFIT

Attached for your review is a Non-Profit Fund and One Stop & Crisis Services Work Session document. The Non-Profit committee would like to see an RFP sent out through Public Health & Social Services. The Board of County Commissioners and the Prosecuting Attorneys' Office will need to approve this plan. The next step is for Gary and Linda to work on the RFP. By-laws may need to be developed, perhaps looking at the Thurston County Parks and Recreation by-laws for ideas. Other county programs successfully collect donations for veterans.

ONE STOP & CRISIS SERVICES WORK SESSION

Friday, October 23rd from 9 a.m. to noon at Public Health & Social Services a follow-up conference work session will be held regarding one stop and crisis services. Providers can bring resource materials to the meeting. Gary and Casey will be co-facilitators. The attached handout provides information regarding the work session. There is interest in having the community taking ownership for one stop services. A chair of a task force will be elected. Hopefully, at this session the group will go from concept to reality.

OTHER BUSINESS

Final comment, Veterans Day Ceremony November 11th at 11:00 a.m. at the Capitol rotunda. With no further business the meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,

Linda Loyle, Community Program Manager