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Veterans' Development Committee Agenda

Thursday, September 19, 2019
Veterans Foundation
Room 115
3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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- I. Call to Order and Introductions
- II. Conflict of Interest
- III. Public Comment Period
- IV. Department Report
 - A. Veterans Overview
- V. Consent Items
 - A. Approve the Minutes of the March 18th, 2019 Veterans' Development Committee Meeting
 - B. Approve the Minutes of the April 18th, 2019 Veterans' Development Committee Meeting
- VI. Discussion and Action Items
 - A. Approval and Direction of a Veterans Job Fair
- VII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Date: TBD

Location: Time:



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Veterans' Development Committee Meeting

Monday, March 18, 2019
Veterans Foundation, Room 112
3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Members in attendance:

Wardee Bruce Kris Helton
Margarita Cabalbag Ryan Kegley
Richard Hagerty Cecil Russell

Staff in attendance:

Jeanette Fontana Doris Foster Bruce Merchant Angelique Prendez Michelle Rando

1 Additional guest was present.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Richard Hagerty, Veterans' Development Committee (VDC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., thanked everyone for attending and invited those present to introduce themselves.

II. Conflict of Interest

Chairman Hagerty outlined the Conflict of Interest Policy.

III. Public Comment Period

Chairman Hagerty gave information on the Public Comment Period. There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

IV. Director's Report

Workforce Development Director, Doris Foster reported the Department applied for a Veterans Grant since the existing one has since expired. Workforce Development has continued to serve our veterans with the current funding. 38 veterans enrolled in services. 1 went through training. 6 in truck driving, and 17 placed in follow-up services in a variety of occupations.

Director, Foster is waiting to hear if the Department received the Veterans Services Grant, which will allow for one dedicated salary position to focus on Veterans Services. The Workforce Development Board will be notified if received.

A Veterans Resource Guide is being developed for the Committee, which will include a full-scope list of resources available in Stanislaus County. The Committee will provide input and offer recommendations.

Director, Foster informed the Committee that Workforce Development is interested in

partnering with Congressman Harder on the upcoming Veteran Job Fair. The Department will have their Analyst provide statistics on the success rate of previous Veteran Job Fairs and whether more than one job fair should be done and second, what is the most effective way to connect to veterans in regards to training and job placement.

V. Consent Item

There were no public comments on the Consent Items.

Consent items adopted. W. Bruce / M. Cabalbag unan. Motion Passed

A. Acceptance of the Conflict of Interest Policy and Code of Conduct

VI. Discussion and Action Items

There were no public comments on the Discussion and Action Items.

- A. Approved the Nominations and Appointment of Veterans' Development Committee Officer Position of Vice Chair and Establish Membership of Committee
 - R. Hagerty / R. Kegley unan. Motion Passed

The Chair, R. Hagerty, selected Committee members. Members Kris Helton, Cecil Russell, Ryan Kegley, Margarita Cabalbag, and Wardee Bruce.

Kris Helton was appointed as Vice Chair.

B. Approved the Dates, Location and Times of Veterans' Development Committee Meetings

W. Bruce / K. Helton unan. Motion Passed

The Committee agreed to have Lunch N' Learns as well as quarterly meetings. They would like to have quarterly meetings a couple weeks prior to the Workforce Development Board (WDB) meetings. Staff member, Angelique Prendez will provide a list of the upcoming WDB meetings at the next Committee meeting.

Committee members approved the next meeting to be held on April 18, 2019 at the Veterans Foundation at 3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

C. Approval and Adoption of the Workforce Development Board's Mission and Vision Statement

R. Hagerty / C. Russell unan. Motion Passed

Workforce Development staff member, Jeanette Fontana will brainstorm with Committee Chair and will propose the Veterans' Development Committee Mission and Vison Statement to the Committee at the April 18, 2019 meeting.

VII. Tour Veterans Foundation

Toured the Veterans Foundation.

VIII. Adjournment

Richard Hagerty, Committee Chair, Adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Next Meeting: Date: Thursday, April 18, 2019

Location: Veterans Foundation, Room 113

3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355

Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



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Veterans' Development Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2019
Veterans Foundation, Room 112
3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Members in attendance:

Wardee Bruce Kris Helton
Margarita Cabalbag Ryan Kegley
Richard Hagerty Cecil Russell

Staff in attendance:

Jeanette Fontana Angelique Prendez
Doris Foster Michelle Rando
Bruce Merchant

3 Additional guests were present.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Richard Hagerty, Veterans' Development Committee (VDC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m., thanked everyone for attending and invited those present to introduce themselves.

II. Conflict of Interest

Chairman Hagerty outlined the Conflict of Interest Policy.

III. Public Comment Period

Chairman Hagerty gave information on the Public Comment Period. There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

IV. Department Report

A. Veterans Overview

Workforce Development Director, Doris Foster welcomed and thanked all for attending. Staff were introduced and an overview of their departmental roles were provided.

Workforce Development Workforce Analyst, Michelle Rando provided labor market information on the Stanislaus County Veteran Workforce. Data was provided from the U.S. Census, American Community Survey 5 year estimates (2013-2017), Civilian population 18 years and older. Workforce Development Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Jeanette Fontana gave an update on the Veterans Job Fair that will be held at the Martin Peterson Center located at 720 12th Street, Modesto, CA on May 30, 2019. The Department is partnering with EDD and this event

is open to the public. Congressman Josh Harder is also involved and will be at the event to connect with the public. There will be over 30 vendors with 60 open positions. Veterans will receive priority entrance and registration. American Legion will open the job fair with a presentation of colors ceremony. Committee members will receive the job fair agenda and flier once finalized. The flier will be marketed and distributed for circulation.

Chairman Hagerty acknowledged Marine Veteran, Bob Taylor who passed last week. Bob Tayler was the Principle at Davis High School.

V. Discussion and Action Items

There were no public comments on the Discussion and Action Items.

A. Approved and Adapted the Veterans' Development Committee Mission and Vision Statement

Chairman Hagerty / W. Bruce unan. Motion Passed

Committee members discussed the options and chose to accept the Mission Statement to read: "Maximize opportunities to promote and support a workforce system in Stanislaus County dedicated to economic prosperity for veterans by providing priority training, education and opportunities for successful employment.", and to adopt the Workforce Development Board's vision statement: "To foster a demand-driven, skilled workforce that enables upward mobility for veterans through the alignment and integration of private and public partnerships."

B. Approved and Direction Provided on a Veterans' Resource Guide of Organizations that Serve Veterans' in Stanislaus County

W. Bruce / K. Helton unan. Motion Passed

The Veterans' Resource Guide of Organizations that Serve Veterans' in Stanislaus County will be led by Congressman Harder's subcommittee team. Workforce Development will continue to lead the workforce development piece and will house up to date information on its website. An update on the resource guide will be provided at the next committee meeting.

C. Approved and Adopted of the Veterans' Development Committee Meetings for 2019 Future Dates, Chainman R. Hagerty / K. Helton unan. Motion Passed

VI. Adjournment

Richard Hagerty, Committee Chair, Adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Next Meeting: Date: Thursday, June 20, 2019

Location: Veterans Foundation, Room 127A

3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355

Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2019 Location: Veterans Foundation, Room 127A

3500 Coffee Road, Suite #15, Modesto, CA 95355

Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



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September 19, 2019

Veterans' Development Committee Agenda Item

TO: Veterans' Development Committee

FROM: Doris Foster, Director

I. SUBJECT:

Approval and Direction of a Veterans Job Fair

II. ITEM NUMBER: VI-A

III. ITEM TYPE: Discussion and Action

IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the option for Stanislaus County Workforce Development to host or partner in an annual Veterans job fair with other interested partner organizations targeted to local Veterans.

V. DISCUSSION:

Workforce Development co-hosted the Stanislaus County Veterans Job Fair on May 30, 2019 in partnership with Representative Josh Harder's office, Employment Development Department, and the Stanislaus County Office of Education. The event was successful and immediate feedback from employers has been positive.

Approximately sixty employers were represented, each with available positions for which they were looking for qualified candidates. Veterans were given priority entry into the job fair. The Modesto American Legion Post 64 opened the job fair with the Presentation of Colors ceremony, and Representative Harder gave opening comments and encouragement to job fair attendees. A few Workforce Development Board members were also in attendance.

Workforce Development hosted on-site workshops for Veterans and jobseekers, provided computer access for CalJOBS registration and on-line resume development and submission. Seven vocational schools and apprenticeship programs were in attendance providing Veterans information on skills upgrading or skills development. There were approximately 133 job seekers in attendance of which 41 were veterans.

Workforce Development staff understand the importance of such an event, and recommend that an annual Veterans job fair be scheduled annually as a vital service to the Veteran community.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET IMPACT: The Veterans Job Fair costed approximately \$1,120.00.

Doris Føster, Director