

## SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES

### **SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON Veterans' Advisory Board Jun 24, 2022**

**Friday, June 24, 2022 – Legislative Conference Room, Friday Harbor, San Juan Island  
with Online Access for COVID-19 Concerned VAB Members & Citizen Access**

#### **CALL TO ORDER – VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD (VAB)**

Veterans' Advisory Board Chairman, Ted Whitley, called the online meeting to order at 11:48 am. Members Michael Baker, Steve Jehly, Gordon Koenig, Bill Cumming, Lindsey Callahan, and ex-officio member Milene Henley logged into the meeting or attended in person.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Agenda for the June 24, 2022 combined in person and online VAB meeting was approved by acclamation.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Bill Cumming moved, and Steve Jehly seconded, a Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 27, 2022 online meeting of the VAB. The Motion was approved unanimously.

#### **CITIZEN ACCESS**

None was requested.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Due to ongoing Covid-19 concerns, VAB meetings will be a combination of in person meetings at the usual Friday Harbor location and a link via "TEAMS", a Microsoft Zoom equivalent, so online access is available to VAB members and the general public to the public meeting. This arrangement will continue for the foreseeable future.

Ted Whitley raised the issue of remaining unassigned San Juan County Fair VAB booth shifts. He suggested that the Saturday morning and evening shifts were of utmost importance. The booth has to be broken down after 9:PM. Michael Baker offered to cover both shifts and provide a vehicle to facilitate the booth clean-up. Ted announced that he could now apply for the booth space since all shifts were covered for the 17-20 August Fair.

Milene Henley reported that no billing had yet to come from the Whatcom County VSO and no other activity was reported. Ted Whitley reported that he had referred at least three Veteran issues to the VSO. These references reported back to Ted that their experiences with the VSO were very positive.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was submitted to the VAB.

## QUASI-JUDICIAL CONSIDERATIONS

**RS (San Juan Application):** Bill Cumming moved, and Lindsey Callahan seconded, a Motion to provide the Veteran with \$1400.00 assistance for two months of food assistance at \$700.00 per month. The Motion was approved unanimously.

**DL (Orcas Application):** Bill Cumming moved, and Steve Jehly seconded, a Motion rejecting the Veteran's application since the Veteran has moved to Skagit County. Though concern was expressed by some VAB members regarding the Veteran's financial status but the subject is moot unless the Veteran returns to San Juan County and re-applies for assistance. The Motion was approved unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT –** The meeting was adjourned by declaration of the VAB Chairperson at 12:08PM. The next VAB meeting is scheduled for July 29, 2022 at 11:45AM in the San Juan County Large Meeting Room in Friday Harbor on San Juan Island, Washington linked online via the TEAMS network.

VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Ted Whitley, Chair

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Steve Jehly, Vice-Chair

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Michael Baker, Secretary