

# **Veterans Advisory Committee Minutes**

February 13, 2020 1:00 – 2:00 Room 14-402

# **NEMBER**§

- William Acuña, SVO President
- Ivonne Alvarez, SSS II Admissions
- Angie Avila, Senior Secretary
- Danene Brown, Dean of Business & Technology
- Claudia Estrada, SSS I Transfer, Career, Evaluations
- Gail Fedalizo, SST, Veterans & Records
- Erik Galvan, Veterans Counselor, VRC
- Chastiny Gladden, SVO Secretary

- Kelsey Graham, Assistant Professor
- Ramiro Hernandez, Veterans Counselor Co-Chair
- Leroy Johnson, Counseling Department Chairperson
- Heather Stuck, SVO Vice-President
- Vicki Hernandez, SSS I, Veterans & Records/VRC
- Ailene Crakes, Dean of Student Development, Co-Chair

MEMBERS	Angie Avila, Danene Brown, Claudia Estrada, Gail Fedalizo, Erik Galvan,
PRESENT	Chastiny Gladden, Kelsey Graham, Ramiro Hernandez, Vicki Hernandez
MEMBERS	William Acuna, Ivonne Alvarez, Ailene Crakes, Leroy Johnson, Heather
ABSENT	Stuck

#### AGENDA ITEM I: Call the meeting to Order

COMMENTS	•	Meeting called to order at 1:05 pm
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DISCUSSION		

## **AGENDA ITEM II: Approval of Minutes**

#### **AGENDA ITEM III: Welcome**

	•	Welcome to our committee, Erik Galvan and Gail Fedalizo
DISCUSSION	•	Visitor: Ritesh Patel, SVO Vice President
	•	Chastiny Gladden is the new SVO Secretary

#### **AGENDA ITEM IV: Updates**

COAAAFNITC/	•	Name Changed from Veterans Resource Center to Veterans Success Center Veteran Hot Spots have been successful. The counselor is seeing about four
COMMENTS/		students in one hour
DISCUSSION	•	Veterans & Records hired thirteen student workers for various departments
	•	Region X Meeting is coming up on 2/28, 10-1:30 pm, BT101
		<ul> <li>Ramiro and Pavel will present on Internships</li> </ul>



- SDSU will be meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup> at Veteran Success Center, D101 from 1:30-2:30pm
- Military Ally Workshop will be on campus on 4/10 at TBA from 8:30-1:30. It's a military affiliated safe zone program for veterans and their families
- CalTap workshop will be on campus on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-1:00 pm, location is TBA
- Voc Rehab Counselor will come out on March 6<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> at Veterans & Records Office, I4-102 from 8:30-1:00pm. Meetings are setup in 30-minute intervals. Students will be notified on how to reserve their meeting.
- Vet Symposium conference/workshop is April 6-7. the community colleges and universities unite to discuss what all campuses are doing with Veterans population and best practices are discussed
- Veterans of America Conference:
  - The SVA and Associated Students offers scholarships that will fully or partially fund students to attend this conference
  - o The following students were funded to attend this conference:
  - o Will Acuna, Alex Rodriguez, and Albert Delamora
- Conference key findings;
  - Scholar Project is a program that helps veterans attend elite schools
  - o Working with different SVOs and learning how to market

#### **AGENDA ITEM V: Other Items**

# COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- Breakfast Social is on March 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-1:00am in front of the VSC D101
- At least 400 students have utilized the Veteran Success Center in the first two weeks of this semester

## **AGENDA ITEM VI: Roundtable**

- SVO is asking for a copy machine in the Veterans Success Center
- SVO meeting on February 19th from 1:00-2:00pm in VSC D101
- Canyon Day is coming up on April 11th
- Career Fest on March 9-11th from 9:00-1:00pm
- Internship Fair on March 11th from 10:00-1:00pm

# COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- Job Fair on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-1:30 pm
- Transfer Center's new MOU with SDSU for microsite will be offering an online bachelor's degree program for business and communications at our campus.
- Students need to apply in the Evaluation Department for graduation in order to graduate
- Meeting Adjourned at 2:00

Next Meeting: March 12, 2020

Meeting Formula: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays, unless otherwise noted.