

# SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

## Veterans Advisory Committee

### Members:

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Dean of Student  
Development

### Thursday December 13, 2018 Agenda

- I. Call the Meeting to Order
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 11, 2018
- III. Updates:
  - Video on Supporting our Deported Veterans
  - Supporting Our Deported Veterans w/ Trustee Zschiesche
  - Donation drive-Supporting Deported Veterans (partnering with ERC Employee Rights Center for delivery)
  - Care Packages-Deployed service members during holidays (Kelsey Graham)
  - Vet Celebration Week Debrief
  - Conference Updates:
    - a. NAVPA – National Association of Veterans’ Program Administrators - 10/15/2018-10/18/2018
    - b. Student Veterans of America’s 11<sup>th</sup> National Conference
  - VRC Update
  - VRC Ongoing Certification Update
- IV. Planning Ahead:
  - Breakfast Social
- V. Other Items
- VI. Roundtable

**Next Meeting:**  
*2019 - TBD*

### Mission Statement

The San Diego Mesa College Veterans Services Program promotes a culture of collaboration within the campus and surrounding community to increase awareness and sensitivity to matters concerning veterans, active duty and their dependents. The program creates and sustains an encouraging environment by acknowledging, honoring, and addressing veterans’ unique needs. This is accomplished by providing veterans with the resources, support and advocacy needed to achieve their educational