

Mid-Coast Veterans Alliance
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Minutes

January 28, 2017

I Call to Order

- Mid-Coast Veterans Alliance meeting is called to order at 11:05am
- Pledge of Allegiance; invocation – John Sabedra
- Board Roll Call– Fernando Guzman, Randall Stoskopf, Manuel Razo, Ron Lopez, Rudy Alfaro (absent), Mike Rosas, David Manriquez, John Archuleta
- Treasure's report – Ron Lopez -motion to accept by Art Thaler, seconded by Virginia Long.
- Welcome members; MCVA Count is 122

II Old Business

- Officer elections in January 2017
- Propose change in when membership dues are to be collected; \$20 for all members of MCVA
- Home Town Heroes Lane flag for John Alvarado - Manuel
- Home Veterans on March 25, 2017; 1500 tickets to be sold at \$10.00; need sellers ASAP
- We need directors for the Welcome Home committees.

III New Business

- Officer Elections -Manuel Razo, Secretary; David Manriquez, Legal Director; Mike Rosas, Director; Ron Lopez, Finance Director, were voted in unanimously voted in for a two-year term.
- Jane Alfaro discussed process for our scholarship program.
- Wendell Welter spoke on spousal survivor benefits; Randall passed out material from the Federal Benefits for Veterans, Chapter 13.
- Davis Manriquez spoke on voting procedures for directors. As below:

25. Quorum. Thirty-three percent of the members entitled to vote (members in good standing) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business at any meeting of members. The presence of a member entitled to vote can be accomplished by an appearance by telephone call or conference. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business, despite the withdrawal of some Directors from that meeting, if any action taken or decision made is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting.

59. Quorum. A sixty-six point six percent (66.6%) of the authorized number of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except adjournment, Every action taken or decision made by a majority of the Directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be an act of the Board, subject to the more stringent provisions of the California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law, including, without limitation, those provisions relating to (a) approval of contracts or transactions in which a Director has a direct or indirect material financial interest; (b) approval of certain transactions between corporations having common directorships; (c) creation of and appointments to committees of the Board; and (d) indemnification of Directors. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business, despite the withdrawal of some Directors from that meeting, if any action taken or decision made is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting.

- Motion to amended By-laws made by Art Thaler, seconded by John Sabedra; motion passed.

- Ask for committee volunteers for Welcome Home event.

Perpetual Business Announcement (No discussion)

- Veterans Claims: Veterans needing help with a claim may contact Randall Stoskopf, Manuel Razo or John Sabedra. For more information, contact Randall (805) 680-8403.
- DD214's: It is a good idea for MCVA to have our veteran's DD214 on file in the event of an emergency. Turning in a DD214 to MCVA is voluntary.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next meeting is on February 25, 2017 at 11:00am Veterans Hall Post 56 Santa Maria, CA.
- Closing prayer
- Taps

VI. ADJOURNMENT

VETERANS CRISIS HOTLINE – (800) 273-8255; open 24/7 365 DAYS.

VETERAN HOMELESS ASSISTANCE – 877 424-3838