



# **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 – 6:00p.m.

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*Brookens Administration Center  
1776 Washington Street  
Urbana, Illinois 61802*

**Board Members Present:** John Maggio, Larry Soliday, Ron DuFrane, Brad Gould, Jim Forman, Jim Ellis, Sandy Hubert

**Board Members Absent:** Gary Massey

**Members Present:**

**County Board Members Present:** Jon Rector

## **Call to Order**

Maggio called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## **Roll Call**

President, John Maggio, Vice President Larry Soliday, Treasurer, Ron DuFrane, Delegate @ Large, Jim Ellis, Superintendent, Brad Gould and Sandy Hubert, Secretary, were present. Delegate @ Large, Gary Massey was absent

## **Approval of minutes**

**MOTION** by Soliday to approve the November 15, 2016 meeting minutes; seconded by Forman. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

## **Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** by Ellis to approve the agenda; seconded by Soliday. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

## **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent's Report was read and distributed. **MOTION** by Ellis to approve the report; seconded by Soliday. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Superintendent Gould discussed the increase in younger and female veterans. Discussion on the number of homeless veterans. Discussion on job fairs normally on have entry-level positions.

Superintendent Gould attended his regular training with the VA and attended the annual certification IACVAC training.

Superintendent Gould discussed new program "Voices of the Veteran"

## **Public Participation**

Steve Ross representing a veteran was concerned about the call-in system to receive financial assistance. Superintendent Gould explained the evolution of the call-in system. He also explained the amount of veterans calling in on that day.

### **New Business**

John Maggio introduced County Board Liaison Jon Rector. Jon is the first liaison to attend the VAC Board meeting.

### **Other Business**

### **Good of the Commission**

Superintendent Gould discussed the donations of \$500.00 from VFW Post 630 Auxiliary and \$50.00 from American Legion Post 998

Jon Rector and John Maggio discussed possible fund raising for the VAC. Maggio discussed penny vouchers from local establishments. Jon Rector was going to pursue a few different avenues.

Superintendent Gould asked if anyone wanted to do the Memorial Day service.

Next meeting will then be May 16, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Hubert  
Secretary

Approved 5/16/2017