

**Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes  
May 9, 2016**

**Present:** Francisco Oliva, Edmund Bridges, Hank Scherf, Ron Dickson, Fred Baer, Myra Weiher, Kai martin, Alfred Banfield, Mark Leach. Alternate members present: Brandon Jones

**Absent:** Lisa King, Jacob Pletcher, Sherry Corcoran

**Staff:** Selina Toy Lee, Norman Aleman, John Nibbelin, Kay Kye

**Public Comments by:** Justine Evirs from the College of San Mateo

Topic	Discussion	Action/Next Steps
<b>Meeting Called to order and pledge of allegiance recited</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission Chairman Oliva, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.</li> <li>• Pledge recited.</li> <li>• Roll call taken.</li> </ul>	
<b>Approval of prior meeting minutes and Adoption of Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes and agenda approved by the Commission.</li> </ul>	
<b>Public Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One member of the public gave comments and/or announcements.</li> </ul>	
<b>Veteran Commission Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission Chairman Oliva proposed 2016 Commission priorities and approved by the Commission.</li> <li>• County Veteran ID Program Sub-Committee Member, Commissioner Kai Martin, provided status report.</li> <li>• Commissioner Hank Scherf proposed Veteran of the Year Program Sub-Committee and approved by the Commission. Sub-committee members will include Commissioner Hank Scherf as lead and Commissioners Mark Leach, Myra Weiher, Alfred Banfield, and Commission Chair Oliva.</li> </ul>	All groups will continue to meet between meetings and provide further status report on/at the July 11 <sup>th</sup> meeting.
<b>Report from CVSO Liaison</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Norman Aleman provided the CVSO report.</li> <li>• Mr. Aleman provided San Mateo County Veteran Services May Newsletter</li> </ul>	

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<b>Announcements from Veterans Commissioners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner announced Journey for Change event beginning May 25<sup>th</sup> at Menlo Park in effort to bring awareness and end Veteran Suicides.</li> <li>• Commissioner provided informational brochure regarding Helmets to Hardhats Organization.</li> <li>• Commissioner announced an event at the Golden Gate Cemetery on May 28<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.</li> </ul>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm</li> </ul>	Next Commission meeting is July 11, 2016