Holyoke Soldiers' Home Access, Inclusion and Diversity Committee

Monday, September 27, 2021 at 1:00 pm

Opening of the First Meeting

- Committee Members present:
 - Colton Andrews
 - Jose Bayron
 - Karen Courtney
 - John Cruz
 - Migdalia Diaz
 - Raymond Feyre
 - o Assistant Department of Massachusetts Adjutant Jesse Flynn
 - o Dave Madan
 - o Bill McAvoy
 - o DAV National 3rd Jr. Vice Commander Coleman Nee
 - o Donna Scally
 - Mary-dith Tuitt
 - Committee members not present:
 - Diane Randolph Jones
 - Commissioner Gladstone calls the meeting to order and notes that she is running the meetings until a chair is appointed.
 - Committee member Raymond Feyre had technological difficulties, DCAMM technical support staff attempted to resolve during the meeting without success. Jose Bayron is following up with Mr. Feyre to provide assistance.
 - Review of housekeeping matters: confirming members are present and technology is working; provide general guidance on remote meeting protocol.
 - Unanimous vote taken by voice vote to hold meetings remotely.

Introduction of Committee Members

- Each member is allotted time to introduce themselves.
- Commissioner Gladstone also introduces DCAMM staff providing support to the Committee.

Review upcoming meeting schedule and topics

- Commissioner Gladstone asked members to consider sharing resumes/bios for dissemination.
- Topic for next meeting: introduction to the reconstruction of the Soldiers Home in Holyoke project.
- Request from member Mary-dith Tuitt to move 12/31 meeting to another date.

Conclusion

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• Meeting adjourned with reminder of next meeting date (10/29) and to return open meeting law certification forms.