

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY  
SAN DIEGO MILITARY AND VETERANS  
ADVISORY COUNCIL (SDMVAC)**

**Held In Person  
North Central Live Well Center  
5055 Ruffin Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, San Diego CA 92123  
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**SDMVAC Meeting Minutes  
August 15, 2024**

**Members**

**Present**

Jude Litzenberger  
Danny Jackson  
Tony Teravainen  
Jaime Yslas  
Paula Jansen

**Staff Present**

Rick Wanne, Director, Self-Sufficiency Services  
Alberto Banuelos, Asst. Director, Self-Sufficiency Services  
Amy Klock, OMVA  
Ray Flores, OMVA

**Guests**

Christina Sedler – Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer’s Office  
Anthony Ewing – San Diego Military Affairs Advisory Council  
Vic Martin – San Diego Veterans Coalition

**Members Absent**

Philip Kendro  
Mark Gracyk

1. Meeting called to order at 1:10pm by Jude Litzenberger, Chair
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
  - SDMVAC present members noted above.
4. The June 20, 2024, meeting minutes were approved with the all Council Members present voting yes.
5. Public Comments:
  - No public comment.

6. **Discussion Item:** New Community Connections: SDMVAC Council members share community events they had recently attended. Members of the SDMVAC Council spoke about recent community gatherings they were at. The member gave an update to the Council regarding the recent veteran-focused service event they were a part of.
7. **Action Item:** 2023-2024 Annual Report to the County Board of Supervisors, All San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council Members. The Council under the leadership of Chair Jude Litzenberger reviewed the San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council's (SDMVAC) Draft Annual Report for 2023-2024. Following a detailed discussion and consideration, the Council passed a motion with all members present voting yes to approve the draft as the official report. This finalized document will now be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors offices.
8. **Presentation Item:** Current Initiatives and Interest in Veterans/Services in District 3, Christina Selder, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer, County of Diego Board of Supervisors. Ms. Selder provided the Council with an overview of the initiatives led by District 3 San Diego County Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer's office, focusing on Veterans housing and homelessness, safeguarding against fraud and scams, transition to civilian life and support for military families and spouses.
9. **Presentation Item:** Team Red, White and Blue, Jaime Yslas, Chapter Captain, Team RWB – San Diego Chapter; Commander, USN Veteran. Jaime Yslas as the District 1 representative of the SDMVAC and Chapter Captain of Team RWB presented an overview of the Team RWB organization to the Council. He outlined Team RWB mission and highlighted how the organization helps Veterans focus on their health and wellness, fostering healthier lives through a range of events, training and programs.
10. **Discussion Item:** Suggested topic for future meetings: All San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council. OMVA Officer Ray Flores confirmed that Triple B organization will present in the next SDMVAC meeting. The Council suggested that the County undertake a survey to quantify the number of Veterans who have been supported, as well as to gather information on their periods of service and exit date. Council member Tony Teravainen suggested inviting two additional organizations to present at the next SDMVAC meeting: San Diego Coast Guard, and City of San Diego's Military Advisory Council.

**ADJOURNMENT/SET NEXT MEETING:**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on October 17, 2024