

**Paralyzed Veterans of America, California Chapter  
Board of Directors Meeting  
SCI Long Beach, V2 Recreation Room  
5901 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Long Beach, CA. 90822  
November 20, 2019**

**Call to Order: Elmer Jacobs: 11am**

Roll Call

Officers:

President Elmer Jacobs-Present

Vice President-Jose Reynoso-Present

Treasurer-Major Lewis-Present

Secretary-Bob Molinatti-Present

Executive Director-Dick Fulton-Present

Active Overseer National Office Representative-Joe Fox-Present

Directors and Committee Members:

Wendy Clouser-Present

Charles Walker-Present

Teresa Gaspar-Present

Lamont Jacobs-Present

Lance Toguchi-Present

NSO-Enrique Chavez-Present

Guests:

Robert Soto

Cliff Hunt

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to approve Agenda: Bob Molinatti, Second Teresa Gaspar, Motion carries with one abstention by Wendy Clouser.**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion to approve Minutes: Jose Reynoso, Second Teresa Gaspar, Motion carries with one Abstain, Wendy Clouser.**

## **Standing Committee Reports**

Presidents Report: Elmer Jacobs

- Positive Feedback as stated in Presidents Committee report.
- 100 percent Committee reports turned in this month.
- Enrique Chavez, National Service Officer to complete Liaison training.

Executive Director: Dick Fulton

- Fall National BOD meeting- Resolution was passed to accept dd214 as proof of citizenship when signing up to become a PVA member.
- IF issues regarding patients emerge we should take them to NSO Enrique to have him bridge the gap with the hospital staff rather than doing it ourselves as BOD members.

NSO: Enrique Chavez

- Patient Rights does not equal Patients abusing the medical staff.
- There are rule to abide by and patient should be aware of them as the check in.
- Physical Therapist, Jen Emory has been long term sick and may not be returning to work. He has suggested a gift of acknowledgment would be appropriate at this time. Dick and Elmer will be talking care of this.
- Long Term Care is becoming a prevalent issue in SCI community.

**A motion was made to accept all other committee reports as written in the agenda:**

**Motion to accept standing committee reports: Major Lewis, Second Jose Reynoso, Motion unanimously Carries.**

### **New Business:**

2. Vice President, Jose Reynoso Chairs the following decision:

Elmer Jacobs has requested a \$600 stipend to offset cost of his travel to and from Long Beach VA on a weekly basis.

**Motion for \$600 made by Bob Molinatti, Second Major Lewis, motion unanimously carries.**

3. Skiing- 3 days, 10 people in Big Bear. Recreation Therapy has requested that they select 4 of the slots available.

4. PVACC Employee Christmas Party request for \$1655.00 rounded off to \$1700.00.

Motion for \$1700.00 made by Wendy Clouser, Second Teresa Gaspar, Carries Unanimously.

5. Christmas tree request, now at 6 trees to include 4 trees at the Long Beach VA, 1 at Loma Linda and 1 at Sepulveda VA @ \$1000.00.

Motion for 6 Christmas trees @ \$1000.00 made by Jose Reynoso, Second Charles Walker, Carries Unanimously.

Added to agenda #6. New Chapter binders, White tab pertains directly to Chapter. Request to bring binders to Chapter BOD meetings.

Old Business:

4. Sports and Grant funding request:

\$2000.00 per member, per fiscal year @ \$1000.00 per event. When used in this capacity the \$1000.00 would cover such items as transportation and lodging at such requested events. IF a VA Approved caregiver is needed then an additional \$1000.00 @ \$500.00 per event is added to the cap amount. IF you are a first time PVACC Grant user then \$1000.00 is available in addition to the \$2000.00 fiscal year cap.

Motion to approve PVACC Fiscal Year Grant as written made by Wendy Clouser, Second Jose Reynoso, motion Unanimously Carries.

1. Thanksgiving Dinner Finalized: Set to feed 300 people @ \$5000 total.

2. PVACC Christmas Party December 14, Building 150, 11-3, Members and Family. Will feed 300 people @ \$5000.00

Motion to approve the above listed amounts for holiday parties made by Wendy Clouser, Second Lamont Jacobs, Motion unanimously Carries.

2. DJ and Gifts have been eliminated from the agenda for the Christmas Party. Motion made by Teresa Gaspar, Second Wendy Clouser, motion Carries except for Lamont Jacobs who was not present in the room.

3. Progress still being made on restoration of the Recreation Room.

The decision was made to purchase Virtual Reality Googles from the previously approved funding for the Recreation Room.

The next PVACC BOD Meeting is rescheduled for January 2020.

Adjournment: Time: 1:20.

Motion to adjourn, Jose Reynoso, Second Lamont Jacobs, unanimously carries.  
Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Molinatti, PVACC Secretary