



**Paralyzed Veterans of America, California Chapter**  
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**PVACC**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Via Zoom and Teleconference**  
**February 15, 2023**

**Call to Order: Jose Reynoso: 11:06 AM**

**Roll Call:**

**Staff:**

Executive Director: Martha Varela:P

**Officers:**

Jose Reynoso:P

Bob Molinatti:P

Teresa Gaspar:P

Artis Flanagan:P

**Directors:**

Lamont Jacobs:Exc.

Charles Whitehead:P

Leif Meisinger:P

Saraha LaBrada:P

## **Guests:**

Dr. Nguyen and Dr Chen

1. VA has been upgraded to Yellow tier thus allowing visitors with masks and vaccines.
2. VA has yet to hire new National Service Officers as of yet.
3. Construction Meetings are being held for new units and recreation areas. It has been suggested that PVACC participate in some of the logistical meetings.
4. Parking for SCI was discussed for Brown Sticker patients.

## **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion to approve Agenda, Bob Molinatti, Artis Flanagan seconds, Unanimous.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve January Minutes with correction; Teresa Gaspar shifted to Officer as PVACC Treasurer--Teresa Gaspar, Artis Flanagan seconds, Unanimous.

## **Approval of Committee Reports:**

Motion to approve reports with correction of removal of Margie Finagan (resigned) from all committees--Artis Flanagan, Charles Whitehead seconds, Unanimous.

Notes: Jose Reynoso:

1. Margie Finagan resigned due to health complications.
2. National Directors Convention to be held May 9-13

Bob Molinatti:

1. Letter sent to past President Elmer Jacobs requesting return of all physical and intellectual property.
2. Established contact with Paige Pelonis at City Heart. Paige will be assembling PVACC newsletter, Momentum. Plans and outlay in the works now.
3. Executive Director Martha Varela sending letter to National requesting that we get a reduction of penalties from National for late Audit as it was not entirely our fault.

Martha Varela:

1. Discusses 7 essential Committees that need to be operational for National Office standards of practice for Chapters.
2. Former ED, Dick Fulton Credit Card paid in full
3. Emily Banks lowered CPA Fee from \$19k down to \$17k.
4. Casa Corazon Insurance issue with double Board Insurance.
5. Women's Veterans "Equine Retreat"

**New and Old Business:**

**Joe Fox Reimbursements:**

1. Tracy Cooper Harris- May 2022, \$500
2. Monte Parrish- April 2022, \$500
3. Thomas Ross- April 2022, \$500
4. Robert Soto- October 2022, Long Beach Flying Wheels Basketball Team, \$878.28

Motion to pay out previously approved grants in the amount of \$2,378.28; Charles Whitehead, Sarah LaBrada seconds, Unanimous.

1. Brown Parking stickers available.
2. Board Training March 2023
3. BOD Polo shirts in.
4. Fishing Trip in either Long Beach or Dana Point being discussed for upcoming schedule. Likely spring or summer.

Motion to Adjourn: Sarah LaBrada, Charles Whitehead seconds, Unanimous.

The next PVACC BOD Meeting is rescheduled for March 15, 2023.

Adjournment: Time:12:51pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bob Molinatti, PVACC Secretary