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TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

February 1, 2013

NOTICE OF SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING (FISCAL YEAR 2013) **TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION**

Agenda for the Second Quarterly Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on February 11, 2013, at the Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 N. Congress Avenue, Room 170, Austin, Texas 78701:

- I. Call meeting to order.
- II. Public comment.
- III. Approve the minutes of the First Quarterly Meeting held November 7, 2012.
- IV. Report, presentation and/or action by representatives of the Advisory Committees:
 - A. Veterans Communication;
 - B. Veterans Employment and Training; and
 - C. Fund for Veterans' Assistance.
- V. Report, presentation and/or action regarding Executive Director report.
- VI. Report, presentation and/or action regarding legislative update.
- VII. Report, presentation and/or action on agency programs and divisions, including Action Plans:
 - A. Claims Representation and Counseling;
 - B. Veterans Employment Services;
 - C. Veterans Education Program;
 - D. Fund for Veterans' Assistance;
 - E. Administration; and
 - F. Finance.
- VIII. Report, presentation and/or action on Appropriation Year 2013 1st Quarter Operating Statement.
- IX. Report, presentation and/or action to adopt amendments to 40 TAC §450.3, General Provisions regarding Veterans County Service Officers Certificate of Training.
- X. Report, presentation and/or action to adopt amendments to 40 TAC §451.3, General Provisions regarding Veterans County Service Officers Accreditation.
- XI. Report, presentation and/or action to adopt amendments to 40 TAC §460.2, Definitions regarding the Fund for Veterans' Assistance Program.
- XII. Report, presentation and/or action to propose amendments to 40 TAC §452.2, Advisory Committees.
- XIII. Report, presentation and/or action regarding Fund for Veterans' Assistance General Assistance Grants:
 - A. USA Cares, Inc.;
 - B. Fixed Amounts for Grant Awards; and
 - C. Changes to Solicitation and Grant Award Procedures.

- XIV. Report, presentation and/or action regarding request to exceed the Full-Time-Equivalent Employee (FTE) limitation for the agency.
- XV. Discussion of date, time, and location of next Commission meeting.
- XVI. Executive Session.

THE FOLLOWING MAY BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION OR OPEN MEETING AND HAVE ACTION TAKEN IN AN OPEN MEETING:

- A. Government Code §551.074(a)(1) The Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of the Executive Director, Executive Staff, and/or other personnel.
- B. Government Code §551.071(1) Contemplated Litigation or Pending Litigation: James E. Hedges v. Texas Veterans Commission, Civil Action No. 1:11-cv-00440, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas; Stephanie Heier v. Texas Veterans Commission, Civil Action No. 7:12-cv-00075, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas.
- C. Government Code §551.071(2) All Matters Identified in This Agenda Where the Commission Seeks the Advice of Their Attorney as Privileged Communications under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas and to Discuss the Open Meetings Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

- XVII. Discuss and take possible action on the items considered in Executive Session.
- XVIII. Adjournment.

Those individuals or organizations wishing to address the Commission with reference to an agenda item must make a request prior to the date of the meeting to be placed on the agenda. Requests should be directed to H. Karen Fastenau, General Counsel, at 512/463-1549.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, large print or Braille, are requested to contact Wyonda Laurence, Staff Services Officer, at 512/463-6564, two (2) work days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.



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