

## Palm Beach County Veterans Coalition

### Meeting Minutes May 12, 2015

**Present: Claudia Tuck, Greg Dover, Cindy Sjogren, Jose Capellan, Jill Benson, Stacy McWinnie, Alejandro Hernandez, Angela Choice, Charity Lewis, Patricia Schroeder, Tomas Coles, G. DeDominicis, Meaghan White, Paula Girard**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Call to Order and Introductions</b>	<p>Greg Dover, County Veteran Service Officer, called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Also in attendance: Claudia Tuck, Director Human and Veteran Services, and VSOs Cindy Sjogren, and Jose Capellan.</p> <p>All present introduced themselves and the organization they represent.</p>	
<b>Agenda/Minutes</b>	<p>Minutes of March 2015 meeting were reviewed. Agenda was reviewed.</p>	<p>Minutes approved as presented. Agenda approved as presented.</p>
<p><b>Congressional Briefings:</b></p> <p><b>Jill Benson</b></p> <p><b>Charity Lewis</b></p> <p><b>Guest Speaker: Meaghan White &amp; Paula Girard</b></p> <p><b>Roundtable Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Meeting Adjourned</b></p>	<p>*Congressman Deutch continues to work on Veteran issues locally and in D.C. *Gave handouts outlining issues the congressman is working on. *HR995 - Moment of silence</p> <p>*Congresswoman Frankel to distribute "Hugs for Heroes" greeting cards and letters to Veterans on Memorial Day.</p> <p>* Commissioner/Vice Major Mary Lou Berger - Purple Heart Bus Wrap: Promote Veteran Services and honor veterans. * Will run Memorial Day to sunset on Veteran's Day. * Inspired by Polk County and Tallahassee. * Military Order of the Purple Heart funded the wrap * Palm Tran donating the space</p> <p>* Tomas Coles - Vets Place - informed group moving – Vickers House South to 3801 Georgia Ave, West Palm Beach, FL 33405 * Patricia Schroeder - 211 - Help Me Grow handout (child development) and special needs hotline</p> <p>*Greg Dover thanked everyone for coming and motion to end meeting at 9:30 AM.</p>	<p>Contact Information: Jill Benson Phone: 561-470-5440 E-mail: jill.benson@mail.house.gov</p> <p>Contact Information: Charity Lewis Phone: 561-998-9045 E-mail: Charity.Lewis@mail.house.gov</p>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>July 14th, 2015 @ 9:00am / Location: Conference Room, Basement, 810 Datura Street.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.pbcgov.org/community/services/programs/humanservices/veterans/">http://www.pbcgov.org/community services/programs/humanservices/veterans/</a></p>

