## Palm Beach County Veterans Coalition

## Meeting Minutes March 8th, 2016

## Present: Cindy Sjogren, Jose Capellan, Greg Dover, Charity Lewis, Angela Choice, Frank Policastri, Karen Collins, Sara Donovan, Adam Lobruto, Eric Richardson, Sylvia Bischoff, Jill Benson, Jennifer Braisted, Patrice Schroeder

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order and Introductions	Jose Capellan, Supervisor, Veteran Services, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. All present introduced themselves and the organization they represent.	
Agenda/Minutes	Minutes of January 12th, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Agenda was reviewed.	Minutes approved as presented. Agenda approved as presented.
Guest Speaker: Ms Sylvia Bischoff The Phoenix Retreat	<ul> <li>*Pilot Project retreat for post traumatic growth based on non-medicine approach</li> <li>* Big plan to have 10 Centers around the country</li> <li>* First retreat in Florida takes place March 30th-April 4th.</li> <li>* Only men right now; no facilities for women</li> <li>*Criteria include: no active substance abuse, no severe TBI, not suicidal.</li> <li>*Facility they are using this time is Vegetarian, no alcohol and no tobacco</li> </ul>	Contact Information: Sylvia Bischoff Phone: 561-371-8240 Email: sylvia.bischoff.1@icloud.com
Roundtable Discussion	<ul> <li>* Patrice Schroeder - 211 Help Me Grow Initiative. State Program. Handout. Launched texting 898-211</li> <li>* Intra-agency Network Mtg, 1st Tues of month (Sep-Jun) @3333 Forest Hill Blvd. Contact Patrice Schroeder @561-383-1149</li> <li>* Charity Lewis for Congresswoman Frankel - Worried about scams and also mentioned VITA progam.</li> <li>* Jill Bensen for Congressman Deutch - Veteran's Choice Program. Handouts on legislative updates</li> <li>* Adam Labruto from Jupiter Vet Center passed out handouts for 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemoration Celebration</li> </ul>	
Meeting Adjourned	*Jose Capellan thanked everyone for coming; motion to end meeting at 10:08 AM.	
Next Meeting	May 17th, 2016 @ 9:00am / Location: 810 Datura Street., Basement Conference Room, West Palm Beach, FL.	