

Virtual Meeting

Agenda Thursday, August 6, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present:
Members Excused:
Howard County Government Officials in Attendance:
Special Guests:
Others in Attendance:
Commission Business Items:
1) Establishment of Quorum
2) Consideration of the June 2020 Meeting Minutes.
3) Presentation(s) by invited guests? Howard County Executive, Dr. Calvin Ball
4) June-July Events and Old Business.
 Update from the Equity and Racial Justice Sub-committee (Jonathan Branch, Committee Chair)
b. Update of Commission's Exploratory Committee for studying the feasibility of building a Veterans Home in Howard County (e.g., identifying potentially

donated land; etc.). (Mike Blum)

c. Update on Columbia Lake Monument (Lisa, Bob Gillette).

- d. Update on Veterans Support Group and feasibility of NAMI conducting virtual peer facilitator training (Paul Rivers, Lisa Terry, Kelly Kesler)
- e. Brief feedback on VAMHCS Stakeholder Meetings in June and July (Steve Bolen)



- f. Update on Veterans Day Presentations (in person or *virtual*) in HoCo Schools, to include outcomes of contact with HCPSS, Teacher's Union, PTAC, and schools with JROTC programs. (Bob Moore)
- g. Update on the Joint Activities Calendar (Ed Hall, Lisa Terry)
- h. Update on MHFA Proposal to Fort Meade Alliance Foundation Board (John Way, Lisa Terry)
- Update on HoCo school level "buddy" program (and identification of a Pilot Elementary/Middle School and High School). The program would be designed provide support for children of military families and recognize their achievements. (Lisa Terry)
- 5) New Business.
 - a. Howard County Joint Military Council (JMC) significant items (Ed Hall)
 - b. Col Lou Schott's 100th birthday "Drive By" parade and celebration. Sunday, August 9, 2020; American Legion Post 223, Sykesville Maryland; Parade kicks off 1300 hrs; all Veterans and friends are invited (Ed Hall)
 - c. New business from Commission Members?
- 6) Announcements and Events of Importance:
 - a. HoCo Fair cancelled August 8-15 due to COVID
 - b. August 15 Warrior Retreat at Bull Run
 - c. August 18 DAV/RecruitMilitary Veterans Virtual Job Fair, 11:00 am 3:00 pm EST
 - d. August 30 Leidos Virtual Chat with Transitioning Service member, Spouses and Veterans, 1-3pm.
 - e. Sept 1- Recruit Military/DAV Virtual Career Fair, 12-4pm ET
 - f. Resignation of Jen Anthony due to relocation
- 7) Additional items for discussion from commission members or meeting attendees?
- 8) Next Commission Meeting Date(s) September 3, 2020; October 1, 2020; November 5, 2020



9) Adjournment