

**County of Santa Barbara  
Veterans' Services Commission**

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**Committee Members**

First District: Bob Handy  
Second District: Marcee Davis  
Third District: Alvin Salge, Chairperson  
Fourth District: Frank Campo  
Fifth District: Candace McIntosh, Vice Chair  
South-At-Large: Peter Haslund  
North-At-Large: Michael Stadnick

**AGENDA  
VETERANS' ADVISORY COMMISSION  
REGULAR SESSION  
Via Zoom Conferencing  
Date: April 29, 2021, 6 pm**

**Due to the COVID-19 Social Distancing and Lockdown requirements, this Veterans' Advisory Commission Meeting will be conducted via Zoom conferencing. The public may join the meeting using the link below or by using the Zoom on-line connection by using the meeting ID and Password.**

Topic: SBCVAC Quarterly Meeting 29 April 2021  
Time: Apr 29, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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**Our Mission:** *to provide oversight on behalf of Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to insure that veterans' benefits are distributed effectively and expanded appropriately, within the tri-counties area.*

- 1. Convene the Meeting:** Welcome to all visitors.
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Overview of the Agenda**
- 4. Public Comment Period:** Comments on agenda items will be heard at the agenda's scheduled time. Persons desiring to speak on non-agenda items must complete and deliver, to the Chairperson, the form available at the conference table prior to the comment period. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes on any particular issue.
- 5. Approve minutes** for previous meeting of January 28, 2021.
- 6. Reports/Announcements:**

- VSO Report: Rhonda Murphy
- VAC Report: Arlene Diaz
- Chair's Report: Most Veterans and Spouses have access to COVID vaccinations in the County now. The next Quarterly SBCVAC Meeting will be on 29 July, the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday of July.

## 7. Old Business:

- **Marcee Davis, Santa Barbara County Veterans Collaborative Board President, Report on Status of Collaborative Launch:** Marcee Davis will report on the progress on the Collaborative's launch and start date.
- **Santa Barbara County and National Awards for Kathy Simas for her Life Work in Supporting County Veterans:** As passed by the SBCVAC at the 28 January Meeting, Kathy received a SBC BOS Certificate for her outstanding efforts to establish the County Collaborative. She also received a Congressional Certificate and American Flag flow over the National Capitol from Congressman Salud Carbajal for her support to Veterans.
- **Rhonda Murphy Progress Report on Governor Newsom's 100 Day Veteran Focus Challenge:** Rhonda Murphy will report the progress on 100 Day Challenge to house homeless veterans and the lessons learned in the process.
- **Status of Inoculating Veterans with the COVID Vaccines:** Most Veterans now have access to COVID vaccinations. The VA has started a program to vaccinate veterans at local colleges and universities.

## 8. New Business

- **Nominating Commissioners Since Peter Haslund's and Michael Standnik's terms as South and North at Large Commissioners Have Expired:** Peter has indicated he wants to continue as a commissioner and be nominated again. Michael recommended that Roy Hale be nominated for his position. These and other nominations will be accepted for these positions and approved by the commission's vote.
- **Santa Barbara County Memorial Day Programs:** Commissioners will review the Santa Barbara County Memorial Day Programs and Events to honor Veterans.
- **Congressman Salud Carbajal Honoring Bob Handy as a County Veterans Advocate:** SBCVAC will recognize and laud Commissioner Bob Handy's receipt of a tribute honoring him in the Official Congressional Record for his distinguished service, exemplary advocacy, leadership and commitment to Central Coast Veterans.

9. **Next Regular Meeting:** April 29, 2021

## 10. Adjourn the Meeting

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