



**Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Council Meeting
Tallahassee, FL 32399
July 9, 2015**

Type of meeting: Regularly scheduled meeting to discuss and vote on the Class of 2015.

Date: July 9, 2015 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm EST.

Location: House Office Building 28, The Capitol, 402 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL, 32399 or by teleconference call at 1-888-670-35325, Participant Passcode of 3244965172#.

Meeting Attendees:

FDVA: Mike Prendergast, Colleen Krepstekies, Legislative & Cabinet Affairs Director; Linda Williams, Acting General Counsel; Steve Murray, Communications Director; Jessica Kraynak, Legislative Analyst; Lee Ann Sferrazza-Rios, Public Affairs Manager.

Florida Veterans Foundation: Washington Sanchez, Chairman & CEO, Florida Veterans Foundation; John Haynes, Chairman Emeritus, Florida Veterans' Foundation.

Council Members: Council Chair Ray Quinn, A.J. Jackson, Dr. Harrell, Marlene Carter; Jimmie Smith, Chris Hart, Larry Metz (called-in)

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Council was held on July 9, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. in House Office Building 28 at the Capitol, 402 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL, 32399.

The Chairman introduced the members of the council and introduced guests.

FDVA Executive Director, Mike Prendergast, informed the council of paperwork submitted late for the packet of the son of the late Admiral LeRoy Collins; however, the supporting paperwork was provided past the deadline.

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed.

A vote to accept meeting minutes for March 27, 2015 was moved for approval, seconded and the council voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

A vote to accept meeting minutes for April 16, 2015 was moved for approval, seconded and the council voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Council nominates and unanimously votes to select Council member Jimmie Smith to be Vice Chairman of the Council.

Chairman requests for public comment on minutes and Vice Chair selection. No public comment.

Chairman discusses and reviews scoring criteria and requests public comment on scoring policy.

Public comment period.

The Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Council adjourns at 10:46 for official scoring of nominees for the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame.

The meeting reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

The Chairman announces the disqualification of two members on the current list for selection into the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame. Brigadier General (Retired) Arthur Chip Diehl accepted a gubernatorial appointment and removes his eligibility for the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame. The second was former Governor LeRoy Collins. The submission for his complete pack was 31 May and additional supporting documentation is past the date for acceptance.

The Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council announces selection of 20 nominees for the presentation to the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs for election into the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame.

AJ Jackson called a motion to find a logical break in the group at 260 points and above. The motion was seconded. The council unanimously voted to limit the number of nominees to the top eight.

Chairman recommended a review of the top eight nominees.

Public comment period.

A motion called by the Chairman to obtain a percentage of the top 20 nominees.

Council member makes a motion to draw the line at a clear break at 260 points and above.

Council reviews the packets for the top eight nominees with 260 points and above. Chairman asks for public comment prior to voting on the selected eight nominees with a cut-off of 260.

Council moves and seconds the motion to draw the line at 260 points and above. Council voted on the motion unanimously.

Council resumes reviewing the packets for the top eight nominees with 260 points and above.

Chairman asks for a motion to vote on the selected eight nominees. Motion is moved and seconded with no discussion and voted unanimously by the council.

The Council votes to accept the first eight with a cut-off score of 260 to nominate for induction into the Hall of Fame. Motion moved, seconded and council voted on the motion unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:
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