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Veterans First Program

SVO OFFICERS MEETING - DRAFT MINUTES

Date: February 2, 2026 Loc: Bldg 1000, Rm 1052

Start Time: 3:30 PM

Present: Jordan Ball (President), Matthias Jones (Vice President), Rebecca Sermeno (Secretary), Stephanie Wise (Sgt of Arms), Janette Kim (Events Coordinator), Alan Olguin (Media Coordinator), Regina Pangelinan (Treasurer)

Advisors: Evelyn Andrews (Veterans Program Supervisor), Trevor Penero (Veterans Specialist), Jose Calderon (Veterans Counselor), Edgar Reyes (Veterans Outreach Specialist).

Approval of Minutes

The January 29, 2026 meeting minutes were approved with edits, along with the January 13, 2026 SVO Transition Meeting.

President's Report (Jordan Ball):

SVO Social Hour/BBQ – January 29, 2026

The SVO officers agreed that the recent Social Hour/BBQ was successful and well attended. The officers agreed that future events should include the following: sign-in sheet to monitor attendance and/or raffle ticket system to track attendance. Officers also agreed that advertising and promotion of SVO events should be increased, food quantity and variety should be improved. ACTION ITEM: It was also recommended that SVO Officers should sign up for time slots to help manage event responsibilities.

Sentinels of Freedom Crab Feed – January 26, 2026

The SVO officers agreed that the Crab Feed was a successful event and reflected strong community support. Those who attended included: Edgar Reyes, Matt Jones, Regina Pangelinan, Dominic Provenzola, Alan Olguin, Janette Kim, Zijin David Dai, and Rebecca Sermeo. The group agreed that whenever we are invited guests at veterans' community events that and we remain engaged, greet members of the community, and limit cell phone use.

February 7 – Mr. Ulibarri's – 100 year old Veteran Birthday Event

This weekend, February 7, SVO Officers will attend and support Mr. Ulibarri's Birthday event at the Livermore Veterans Memorial Hall. All except Stephanie will attend. ACTION ITEM: The group agreed that the Jordan (President) will present a challenge coin, SVO officers will wear their SVO shirts, and members will stay after the event to assist with cleanup.

Treasurer's Report (Regina Pangelinan)

Treasurer reported that the SVO Shoe Drive has ended and that funds will be received based on the weight of shoes collected. Special thanks to those who helped, especially the team who helped load the truck: Edgar Reyes, Esteban Espino, Marcelo Nazareno, Regina Pangelinan, and Matt Jones. The SVO officers agreed to host another shoe drive in the Fall semester. The group agreed to continue planning an April fundraiser, revisit fundraiser names (President and VP recommended Funds for Fighters or Fighters Fundraiser), and explore a fundraising partnership with a local pizza business (Stephanie's friend at "The Hangout" off of Vasco Road in Livermore, CA). Officers were reminded to save receipts for reimbursement when buying items out of pocket for SVO events. ACTION ITEM: At the end of Treasurer's report, Regina expressed her



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interest to let other veterans to assume the position of SVO Treasurer and offered to step down from this role. Recommendations for replacement will be discussed at next meeting.

Events Coordinator Report (Janette Kim)

Spring 2026 Events

Janette reported that she will take the lead in coordinating the next SVO Social Hour scheduled for February 12, 2026. ACTION ITEM: SVO Officers agreed on the following: event be held inside the Veterans Resource Center and the outside patio. It was suggested to pick up pizza and do rootbeer floats outside. It was noted that tables, chairs, canopies, and decorations will be needed. SVO Officers need to sign up for shifts.

Honoring Women Veterans Event (Stephanie Wise & Janette Kim)

Honoring Women Veterans is an event hosted by the Veterans First Program. To support the event, the SVO Officers will take the lead in overseeing the silent auction part of the event.

ACTION ITEM: The officers agreed to proceed with planning the silent auction, including assembling baskets and managing raffle funds. The group agreed that advertising should be increased and that donors and supporters should be recognized with thank-you messages. Once baskets are assembled, photos are promoted on the website and social media.

Media Coordinator's Report (Alan Olguin)

ACTION ITEM: The officers agreed that social media activity needs improvement and that more frequent posts are required. The group also agreed to create a new officer group chat. New group photos were taken outside the Veterans Resource Center. Alan will work with Nick and Edgar in updating the SVO website.

Next Meeting

Next SVO Officers Meeting: March 2, 2026 @ 3 pm or 4 pm?

Action Items: Officers all report on their progress and "action items."

Adjourn Time: 4:26 PM