



Present: Mr. Wyatt Batchelor, Vice Chair  
Mr. Chuck Roberts, Treasurer  
Mr. Kevin Loncher, Member  
Mr. Bob McMahon, Member  
Mr. John Phillips, Member  
Ms. Patricia Ross, Commissioner  
Ms. Shelley Sainberg, Attorney General's Office  
Ms. Amy Sillmon, Attorney General's Office  
Ms. Jarelle Thompson, Foundation CEO, Homeless Coordinator, GDVS  
Ms. Raven Holstick, Foundation COO, Transition and Employment Coordinator, GDVS  
Ms. Julie Hammond, Foundation CFO, Commissioner's Executive Assistant, GDVS

On Thursday, June 5, 2025, the Veterans Service Foundation Board meeting was held by video/teleconference. The members listed above were present.

Mr. Batchelor called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and acknowledged the lack of a quorum. He decided to have everyone share information that doesn't require a quorum.

Commissioner Ross reported from Annual Training in Warner Robins. VFW and American Legion both donated funds for this week, totaling \$900, specifically for snacks. We spent just under \$800, and the remainder of funds will go back into the general fund. We also received in-kind donations of drinks from the Coca-Cola Company and coffee from Starbucks. Without a quorum we can't vote on receiving donations, but we were going to request approval for in-kind donations for hygiene packets for homeless veterans.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**Ms. Thompson** reported that they were able to deliver food to a homeless shelter in Warner Robins during Annual Training and were able to feed 50-60 people.

**Ms. Holstick** had nothing new to report.

**Ms. Hammond** stated that she had sent out the report below for members to review before the meeting.

The funds in the account are allocated as follows:

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Minutes - Veterans Service Foundation Board Meeting  
Atlanta, Georgia

General Funds	\$40,555.15
Homelessness	\$ 106.21
New Homes	\$ 1,025.00
State Benefit Book Ads	\$ 59.23
Suicide Prevention Hardware	\$ 1,700.00
Suicide Prevention Summit	\$ 0.00
<u>Women &amp; Diversity</u>	<u>\$ 314.53</u>
TOTAL	\$43,760.12

Commissioner Ross added that we are expecting \$7,200 to come in for the Legislative Breakfast.

**DIRECTOR ACTIVITY REPORTS**

Mr. Batchelor commented on the Legislative Breakfast. There is a lot of positive feedback coming in from people who attended. He suggested we do the event more frequently, perhaps quarterly.


Mr. Loncher reported for Mr. Danzig that he doesn't have any updates on the cruise. Mr. Loncher thanked Commissioner Ross for participating in the Plummer Home Crawfish Bowl. There were more than 500 in attendance. Also, his Rotary Club is purchasing 42 tactical backpacks to fill with personal hygiene items to hand out to homeless veterans.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Ross suggested skipping the July 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and convening together again in August. Mr. Batchelor is going to email the Board members to gain a consensus on the date for the next meeting.

Mr. Batchelor adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

SIGNED:

  
Joe Higgins, Chair

ATTEST:

  
Samantha Brown-Parks, Secretary