

**AGENDA**  
**Advisory Committee to the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs (ODVA)**  
**Quarterly Meeting**

Wednesday, September 3, 2014  
9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Memorial Hall, 25 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ontario, OR

- I. **Call Meeting to Order** – Al Herrera
  - Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Jones
  - Invocation – Dennis Guthrie
  - Installation of Officers and Oath of Office – Mary J. Mayer
- II. **Welcome and Introductions** – Al Herrera
- III. **Approval of Minutes** from June 4, 2014 Meeting
- IV. **ODVA Director's Report** – Cameron Smith
- V. **Subcommittee Reports**
  - Veterans' Benefits – Chair: Gerard F. Lorang; Al Herrera; Trisa E. Kelly
  - Home Loan – Chair: Kevin J. Owens; J. Ryan Howell, Michael A. Jones
  - Veterans' Homes – Chair: Mary J. Mayer; Dennis G. Guthrie; Al Herrera
  - Finance – Chair: J. Ryan Howell; Gerard F. Lorang; Trisa E. Kelly
  - Legislative Affairs and Policy – Chair: Irv Fletcher; Dennis G. Guthrie; Kevin J. Owens
- VI. **Nursing Care Facility Needs Assessment Report** – Cameron Smith
- VII. **Break**
- VIII. **Unfinished Business**
  - Action Items
    - Follow-up on Public Comments from December 4, 2013:
      - Volunteer Drivers and Certification – Gerard F. Lorang/Kevin Owens
        - State Funding for Stipend for DAV Drivers
        - Certifying Drivers in Other Locations Besides Portland
      - Policy and Process for Establishing New Memorials in the State of Oregon – Cameron Smith
    - Follow-up on Public Comments from March 5, 2014
      - Reciprocity of State Benefits for Veterans – Gerard F. Lorang
    - Follow-up on Public Comments from June 4, 2014
      - Request from Non-Commissioned Officers Association to Fly the POW/MIA Flag 24/7 365(6) Days Over the State Capitol - Gerard F. Lorang
        - Results of Polling Member Veterans' Organizations at July 2014 UVGO Meeting – Wayne Harvey
  - Feedback from Dedication of Oregon World War II Memorial – June 6, 2014 in Salem, OR - Gerard F. Lorang
    - Transition of Educational Piece to Historical Outreach Foundation (HOF)
  - Annual Report to the Governor – Due: August 2014 – Mary J. Mayer
  - Advisory Committee Page on the ODVA Website – Mary J. Mayer
  - Schedule Advisory Committee Orientations to:
    - Portland VA Medical Center (including Research) – Date TBD
    - Willamette National Cemetery – Date TBD
    - Lebanon Veterans' Home – September 20, 2014
    - Oregon Military Museum – December 3 2014
- IX. **New Business**
  - Subcommittee and Parliamentarian Assignments for 2014-2015: Limited changes recommended
  - Advisory Committee Goals and Projects
  - Next Advisory Committee Meeting
    - Date: Wednesday, December 3, 2014
    - Time: 9:30 a.m.
    - Location: 41<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division Armed Forces Reserve Center, 15300 SE Minuteman Way, Clackamas, OR
- X. **Public Comment** – Veterans Organizations and Others (Comments Limited to 5 Minutes)

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XI. **Announcements**

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XII. **Adjourn the Meeting**