Minutes of the Southern Utah Veterans Home-Ivins, Advisory Board Meeting April 22, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dunne at 4:00 PM, Chairman Dunne welcomed all in attendance which included Utah Director of Veteran and Military Affairs Gary Harter, Utah Department of Veteran and Military Affairs Veteran Service Coordinator Cory Pearson and two additions to the Advisory Board, Doctor Scott Smith and Mr. Jeff McKenna Attorney at Law.

The Following Advisory Board Members were in attendance at this meeting;

Terry Dunne	Chairman
Lloyd Laycook	Vice Chairman
Mel Brewer	Chairman Resident Council
Ivins Mayor Chris Hart	
Ron Lee	
Donna Lister	
Jeff McKenna	
Dr. Scott Smith	
William Toole	

A quorum was present with 9 of 9 Advisory Board Members in attendance.

Staff In Attendance;

Jacqueline Peterson, Utah State Officer
Jerry Olson, SUVH-Ivins Administrator Avalon Health Care

Distinguished Guests in Attendance;

Utah Department of Veteran and Military Affairs, Gary Harter
Utah Department of Veteran and Military Affairs Veteran Services Coordinator, Cory Pearson
Avalon Health Care Administrator, Kelly Snowball

The Invocation was giving by Advisory Board Vice Chairman Lloyd Laycook.

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and country was led by Chairman Dunne.

The minutes of our March 11, 2015 meeting were read by Chairman Dunne and approved as read.

Chairman Dunne recognized Mr. Mel Brewer the Resident Council Chairman who reported on the BBQ for the residents, the Pine Wood Derby which was held April 18th. And was a great success and fun for participants as well as spectators. Mel discussed the Western Ho-Down which will be held on Saturday, May 9th. And invited all to attend the festivities.

Jerry Olson, SUVH-Ivins Administrator was recognized by Chairman Dunne and Mr. Olson gave

the Board Member and Director Harter a briefing with regard to the operation of the facility. Mr. Olson reported on the census of the facility, the facilities financial status, the new Director of Nursing, Katherine Scareoe who commences work on May 1st., and Mr. Olson reported on the mass Media Campaign he is proposing to the population of the counties served by the SUVH-Ivins aware of the opportunities the SUVH-Ivins provides to veterans and their families of those veterans. Mr. Olson reported that the "Spa" in now open and that a contest is in progress to name the "Spa". He also reported on various methodologies employed to motivate the excellent facility staff members.

Chairman Dunne recognized State Officer Jacqueline Peterson who reported on the progress made on the Eagle Scout project. State officer Peterson reported on the "Eagle Monument" bricks which must engraved and delivered by May 15th. As the Eagle Monument will be installed and unveiled at a ceremony on May 29th. At 2:00 PM.

Chairman Dunne recognized Utah Department of Veteran and Military Affairs Gary Harter who spoke about the new and improved "The Utah Veterans Voice" news magazine which can be vied on-line or in hard copy.

Under Old Business the 9/10 acre parcel was discussed and Board Member McKenna will approach a donor who may be interested in funding the project either in whole or in part.

The proposed "Gift Shop" was discussed and Board Member Hart noted that he has received some inquiries on how the public can acquire a small scale model of the "Eagle Monument". He also noted that the model may be an item to have in the proposed Gift Shop.

There being no further business to come before the Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.