



## GEORGE E. WAHLEN OGDEN VETERANS HOME Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2024 at 3:00 PM

### **Attendance – In person and virtual**

Curt Oda, Paula Stephensen, Jon Knox, Steven Steed, Beth Topa, Jory Wahlen, Marlene Summers, Andrea Aston, Jacqueline Poulson

**Absent:** Tressa Quayle, Jim Harvey, Lacy Bizios

### **Welcome**

Chair Curt Oda welcomed everyone to the meeting. Jory gave an opening prayer, and Jon led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

### **Approval of the March 21, 2024, minutes**

A motion was made by Paula and seconded by Jon to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Resident Council Update**

Resident Council President Jon Knox reported on all activities throughout the months of April, May & June. Jon stated we had numerous activities in the past three months: numerous eating out excursion to steak house to Mexican food, Wendover Trip, residents love to play bingo with great prizes, poker and blackjack tournament, Father Day with a live comedian and finally our upcoming invite to Hill Air Force Base to see the rehearsal Air-Show Warriors over the Wasatch Front on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-4:00pm. Beth stated she is excited that the residents at the veteran's home can attend. Beth is the person organizing this event. Deceased veterans since the last report was eight.

### **Administrator's Report (Avalon)**

Andrea reported that the current census is at 117 today. Avalon corporate has a gold tracking report that holds all their buildings to, and Andrea showed this report to the board to see the ranking of the George E Wahlen Ogden Veterans Home compared to the other buildings. This tool is to help meet the standards and to go above the standards. They are given points for each category and currently GEWOVH is ranked 5<sup>th</sup>. (please see attached report) The categories that they are ranked on are: Customer Service-exceed average, best in class, occupancy to exceed budget, skilled mix to exceed budget, agency under 5% of nursing home, employee retention 70% or 80%, Survey 32 points or less, Survey free of DPNA or G tag, 5 Star for quality, rehospitalization under 13%, CAPU under 1.5%, Falls under 7%, Overtime under 5% of labor, Meal penalties under 10%, Bad Debt under 1.3% of revenue, YOY Growth of net income. Andrea also talked about the new t-shirt that her staff had designed. She

handed a form so that board members could pick a shirt and she brought the samples.  
(please see handout)

### **State Officer's Report**

Jacquee stated we have four projects we are working on at the GEWOVH: Carl Francis from DFCM is the project manager on all four: Retention Pond – DFCM will cover the cost of this project and engineer is meeting with the city to determine where will the water drain. Fire, Life. Safety deficiency on our last fire inspection with the fire sprinklers leaking or eroded (150). DFCM has hired an architect to identify the ones that need to be replaced and will fund this project, estimated cost is \$273,000 & the pre-bid meeting will be on Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. The 2025 Capitol Improvement Project have been awarded and Carl Francis from DFCM is the project manager. We have the following on the list: Two Commercial Dryer Replacement - \$63,550, Main Kitchen Rational Ovens - \$80,219, Barber Shop Remodel - \$54,335-DFCM has hired the architect, and we met a couple of weeks ago to discuss the design, Stain Exposed Roof Beams - \$54,334.

### **Utah Department of Veterans and Military Affairs Executive Director/Deputy Director's Report**

Jacquee reported on the department yearly update that is given to the Governor and all cabinet members (please see attached report)

### **Old Business**

Open House Air Show-Warriors over the Wasatch-June 29-30, 2024  
Residents have been invited for the pre-show rehearsal day on 28 June 2024. They will be reaching out in April for RSVP's. Point of Contact will be Beth Topa,  
[beth.topa.2@us.af.mil](mailto:beth.topa.2@us.af.mil)

Marlene reported on the Major General (Retired) Mari K. Eder speaking engagement at the GEWOVH on April 15, 2024 at 3:00-4:30pm. MG Eder's topic will be, "The 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day". She handed out a challenge coin to all residents in attendance.

### **New Business**

None Noted

### **Upcoming Board Meetings**

September 19, 2024, at 3:00pm

December 19, 2024, at 3:00pm

March 20, 2025 at 3:00pm

**Adjourn Chairman** Curt adjourned the meeting at 4:04 PM.