

Veterans Committee: Minutes of June 29, 2021

Present: Charles Heidelberg, Tracey Corbett, Ezra Bell, Denise Lindsley, Russ Panico, Lisa Peet, Robyn Schieber

Not present: Marty Adams, Delia Baker, Trice Batson, Jenny Buysse, Don Mcuitty

Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM

Committee members began with introductions of themselves and their roles at KVCC

Update on Code of Conduct: Before a final decision is made on a code of conduct for the veterans lounge Charles will seek input from student veterans in the fall when there will be more traffic in the lounge. This fall student veterans will also be given the opportunity to have their ID cards initialized to unlock the Veteran Lounge door. The door will generally remain closed to help with noise leaking into the cafeteria.

All committee members agreed that there can not be unattended children in the Veterans Lounge while parents are in class. Charles will monitor this and report to the committee if it is an issue.

Veteran Bridge Course: Charles provided an example of a 1-semester veteran bridge course he designed. The intent of a bridge course would be to improve retention of student veterans and the likelihood of them successfully completing their programs of study. While the program has merit, the committee felt it might be appropriate to discuss this concept with the Adult Learner Task Force being chaired by Louis Thomas to see if it could be used as a model for the entire body of adult learners at KVCC.

9/11 and Veteran Day Tribute Planning: Ideas for 9/11 included a moment of silence, inviting Dr. Washington to speak and possibly having another guest speaker. In the past it was noted that there had been food served at events and on at least one occasion a s speaker in the theater. Specifics for 9/11 will be discussed at our next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM