

## **Soldiers' Home in Holyoke Board of Trustees Meeting**

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A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, in Conference Room A. The meeting began at 4:00 PM.

- **Members Present**  
Benjamin H. Cluff, Acting Chairman; Brian Q. Corridan; Christopher R. Dupont; Cindy T. Lacoste; and Cesar A. Lopez
  
- **Also Present**  
Bennett W. Walsh, Superintendent; John K. Crotty, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. David Clinton, Medical Director; Alice Pizzi, Counsel II; Jessica W. Powers, HR Liaison; Erin Spaulding, Chief Financial Officer; Randy G. Stone, Director of Nursing; Paul Moran, Acting Chief of Staff (Department of Veterans Services); and Lori Beswick, Recording Secretary
  
- **Pledge of Allegiance**  
All present cited the Pledge of Allegiance.
  
- **Public Comment**  
Benjamin H. Cluff asked if any member of the public wished to address the Trustees. No public comment was offered.
  
- **Regular Minutes**  
Upon motion by Cesar A. Lopez and seconded by Cindy T. Lacoste, it was unanimously VOTED to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018.
  
- **Executive Committee of the Medical Staff Meeting**  
Dr. Clinton presented the report of the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff Meeting held on Thursday, May 10, 2018. Upon motion by Cesar A. Lopez and seconded by Cindy T. Lacoste, it was unanimously VOTED to accept the report of the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff Meeting.
  
- **Financial Update**  
Erin Spaulding discussed the "FY2018 Expenditures Through June 8, 2018" and copies were distributed to each Trustee.
  
- **Superintendent's Report**  
Bennett W. Walsh presented the Superintendent's Report via a PowerPoint Presentation and copies were distributed to each Trustee. Brian Q. Corridan wanted to recognize Secretary Ureña for attending a funeral mass for a Veteran whose remains were brought back from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands. Upon motion by Brian Q. Corridan and seconded by Christopher R. Dupont, it was unanimously VOTED to accept the Superintendent's Report as presented.

- **Old Business**
  - NASDVA 2018 Conference in Boston, MA – Bennett W. Walsh mentioned that the Chelsea Soldiers’ Home is interested in splitting the cost of the \$2,500.00 contribution level with us. Upon motion by Cindy T. Lacoste and seconded by Christopher R. Dupont, it was unanimously VOTED to support the NASDVA 2018 Conference.
  - MassMAP 2018 Exercise – John K. Crotty mentioned that the MassMAP exercise took place this morning and he discussed the drill in detail.
  
- **New Business**

Board of Trustees Scholarships – Benjamin H. Cluff informed the Trustees that Bennett W. Walsh requested additional funds, so that each of the six (6) recipients could receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship. Benjamin approved his request. The scholarships were distributed prior to this meeting. Upon motion by Brian Q. Corridan and seconded by Cesar A. Lopez, it was unanimously VOTED to approve the increase of funding for the scholarships.
  
- **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bennett W. Walsh  
Secretary for the Board of Trustees